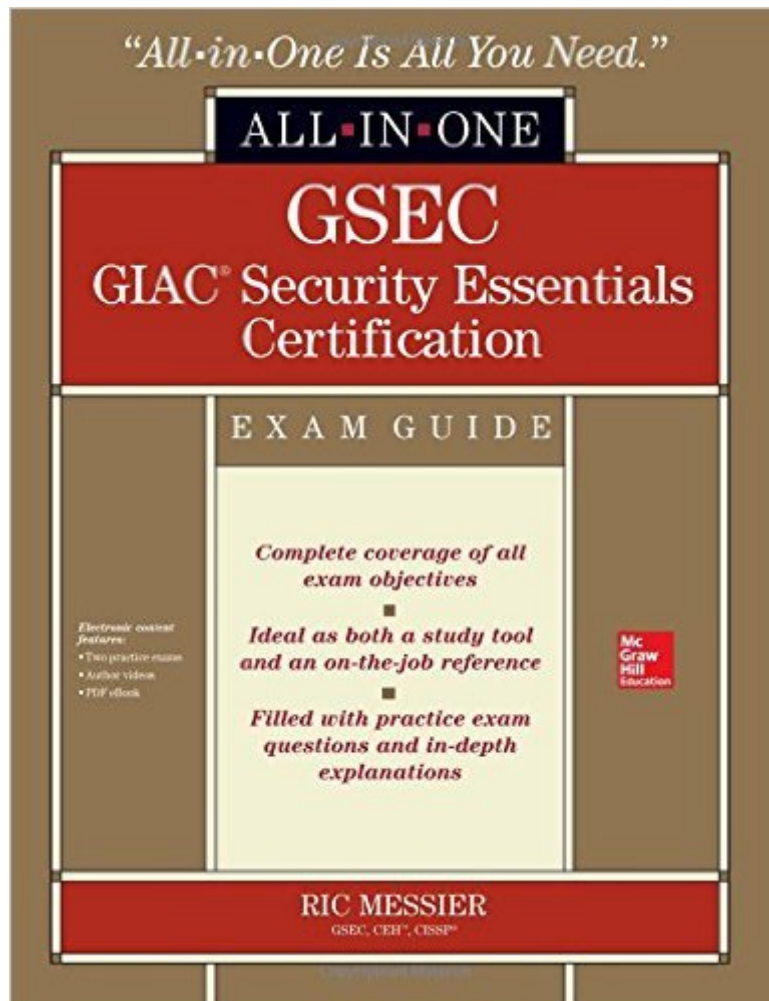


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# GSEC GIAC Security Essentials Certification All-in-One Exam Guide



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The GSEC exam covers a very broad set of topics, like the Cisco CCNA but doesn't get into huge details about each topic. The book goes into greater detail than the exam requires so you'll learn a lot with this book. It makes good use of graphics, illustrations and tables and has at least ten practice questions per chapter. The topics are broken down into 15 chapters including Chapter 1 that simply discusses the exam. The book comes with a PDF version of the book (Which I love because I can keyword search for terms I want to study.) Also comes with practice test software with 177

questions. This is the only GSEC book I've read except for the Eric Cole book from 2002 but I don't see how the material could get any better than this book. It's clear, well written and presented with good additional material like the PDF and practice exam software. That plus the price is acceptable, doesn't seem like you can go wrong with this book. I would have liked to see more use of bold font on key words in paragraphs for readability. I find that a great benefit when the major concepts of each paragraph are easy to spot. Makes it easy to skim through the entire book quickly to check for any weak areas you may have prior to the exam. Last thing: The practice exam software is really buggy. Hope they fix that in subsequent release.

This book is outdated and was of little help in preparing for the exam. It does not cover the Vista/7/Server 2008/2012 technologies that the exam focuses on, and will leave you woefully unprepared if this is the only material that you use to prepare.

If you're new to Information Security, this is a decent text to get you started. Having passed the exam, I rarely referenced this book. The GIAC GSEC books (that are received if you pay for the course) are much more comprehensive and directly related to the exam. GIAC exams are open book, so you can bring this into the exam with you, but I only referenced it for one or two of the questions. If you're scheduled to take the course, plan to take the exam, and don't know anything about InfoSec... Read this before you attend the class. It will prepare you for a much more comprehensive experience.

Scratches the surface on all topics but lacks enough detail to get you most of the answers you need. I brought it to the test with me and I expanded on the included index for a faster search. I actually found more answers in my notes from another cert I have than I did in this book. I thought it would be more helpful. Wish it would have been. All in one is very misleading. Needs more detail.

This book is extremely helpful and informative for a beginner in Information Security. It is also good for someone who had been in InfoSec a decade+ ago and is getting back up to speed. The writing is fun but with a depth on various important matters that people should know about if they are either starting in a career in InfoSec or needing to deal with the current climate of computer security.

Seems a bit thin on content. Contains lots of stories and general concept discussion, but thin on specifics and details. Maybe the test is also a bit bland, but I was not pleased with depth of the

content.

This book is an good source to prepare for, and take with you, into the GSEC exam. The book does not go into enough detail concerning specific topics, such as IPv4 and IPv6, Linux commands, and Security tool sets, such as Kismet, to fully answer every GSEC exam question. The author does include videos and practice exam. I believe you would probably pass the GSEC exam (with a 73%+) with this book alone, but to attain above a 90%+, one would also need extensive networking, tcpdump, and Linux experience. The book is very helpful if you are challenging the exam and need a cross referenced material source.

Packed full of knowledge. Great for someone looking to get certified. As with any cert studying, you should use multiple sources.

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