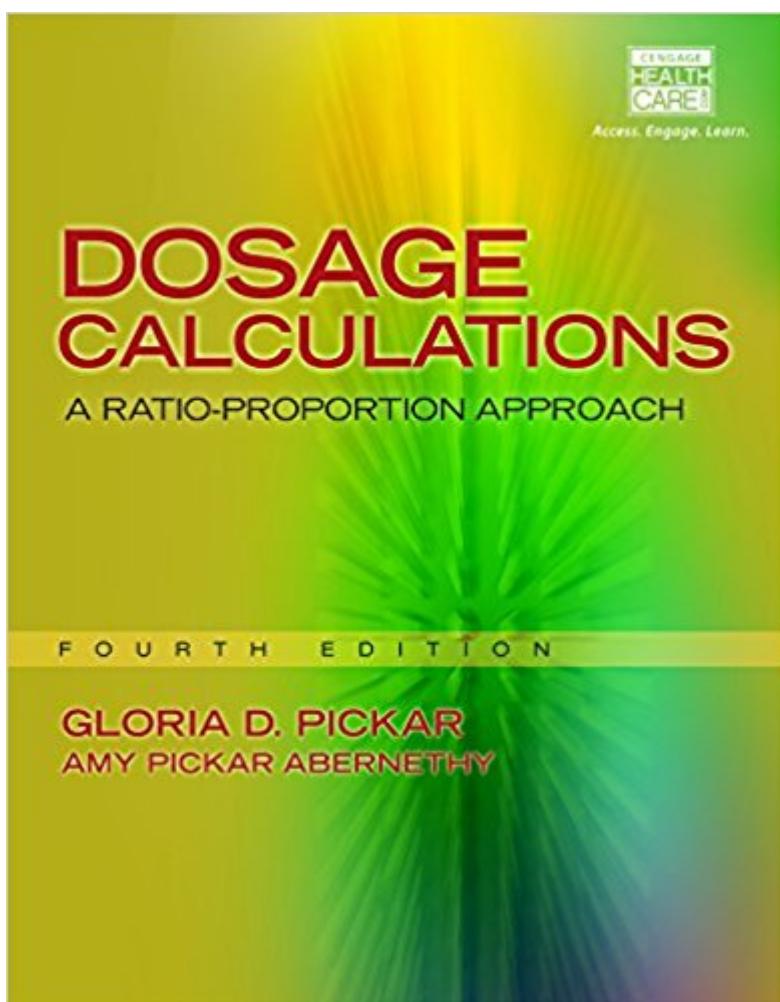


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# **Dosage Calculations: A Ratio-Proportion Approach (includes Premium Web Site Printed Access Card)**



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I am not very good at math, but this book has helped me during Nursing School. It has step by step rules on how to do dosage calculations to administer medications. It is so straight forward that I was able to pick it up and complete the practice questions without giving up like I used to do with math. I have a math test every semester, so I like to go back to the practice questions right before. It has helped me pass all my dosage tests.

The package arrived 3 days after I ordered it on a Saturday morning in PERFECT condition. It was wrapped tightly and the book is brand new just as described! I am absolutely thrilled, and want to thank the seller for exceeding my expectations! I am always a bit hesitant when I order things online, and hardly ever do because of all the horror stories of fraud going around. But I needed this book in a pinch, and it was overpriced and out of stock at the college bookstore so I turned to . Not only was it in perfect condition AKA: Brand New; but it was at a lower and much more reasonable price then what the book store wanted. Great buy! And I would definitely use this vendor again!

I ordered this book used to save a few dollars (in the end, I think I actually only saved \$5... not sure why I even did that!) But it was being shipped by , and I was able to use my Prime 2-day shipping. The book arrived RAPIDLY - I was thrilled! Really, less than 48 hours. I opened my door (to leave for class!) and there it was!!! YAY! It may as well have been new - the condition was perfect. While it's easy math, it's still important that the instructions are easy to follow, and these are.

I'm really happy with the descriptions of how to solve simple to complex problems. Let's face it - we all learned it in grade school, but many of us nursing students haven't done math in a LONG time! (I'm noticing, in nursing school, that a lot of the other students are adult learners who are taking time to go back to school!) Really thrilled with everything about this order - fantastic shipping time, packaged in typical packaging, like-new condition, saved a few bucks... what more could I ask for?! There's also a DVD in the back for extra help with problems. I tested mine out first to make sure there was no damage due to the book being used. the DVD works great, and I'm going to use it for review. :) Five stars all around.

I bought this book for a dosage and calculations class and am now re-using to refresh my memory as I start nursing school. This book starts at square one with the basics of decimals and fractions and continues on up to advanced IV calculations. It was well worth the money - I can see myself using this book through all of my schooling.

Real world examples including common labels of medications, incorporated into the problems, for real world experience with dosage calculations. This was an excellent review for me as a seasoned ICU nurse who needed a review of dosage calculations. This book is a welcome addition to my reference library. A new nurse would benefit from having this book as it reviews and teaches everything you need to know about dosage calculation with a review of basic math, decimals, fractions, ratios etc. Worth the high price I paid.

For me this is the only book you need to learn for calculating med dosage in any medical field. Starts with a short review of ratio-proportion explanation and problems, as well the metric system review and percentage/decimal conversion problems. Book is full of application type problems and demonstrates solutions proceeding to sample problems and test questions. Solutions for problems is given at back of book. Demonstrates solutions and step by step procedure on how to arrive at the appropriate dosage when what is ordered is different from the supply on hand. IV solutions including how to calculate drops/min which will vary according to iv set used. An excellent resource for all.

This rating is based upon my goddaughter's experience with this text. She is math-phobic; I have watched her struggle with this problem for a while. She describes this textbook as a breakthrough for her! She's taking the drug calculation course now, and truly demonstrating mastery of the materials. I will be ordering a second for my own daughter to have on hand for a reference book.

For someone who struggled with math my whole life, I ended up with an A in my dosage calculation class. The book guides you step by step and simplifies everything. My professor was not good and refused to write problems on the board. So I taught myself. Thank you for this book!

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