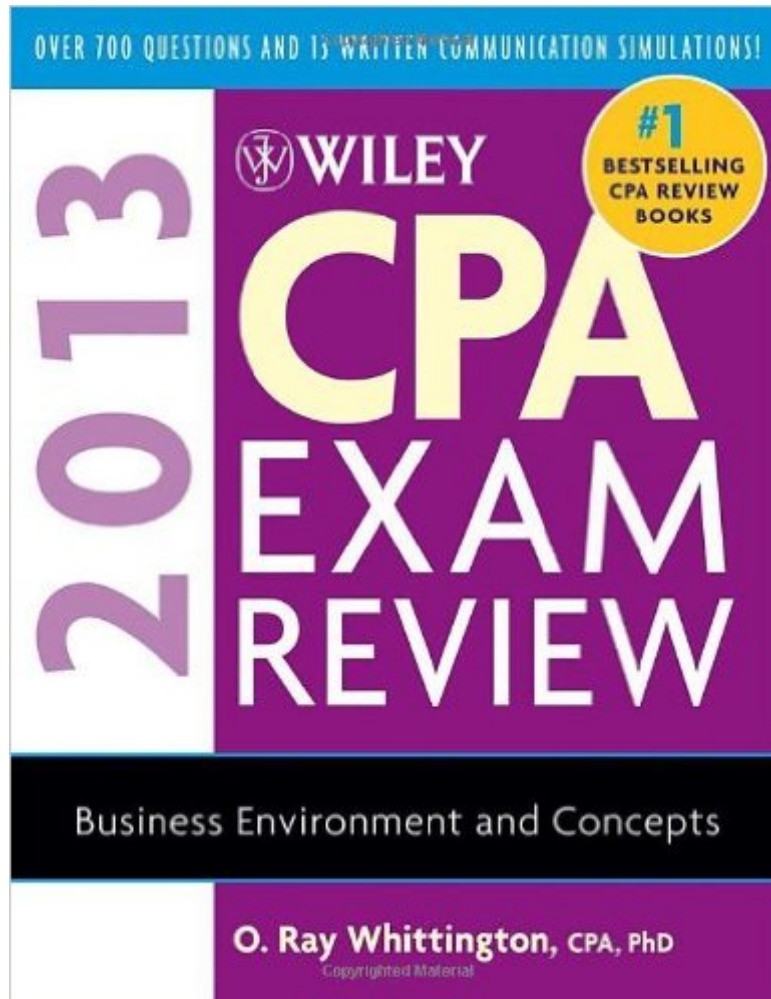


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The good news is that this book has everything you need to know. The bad news is that it's very

difficult to digest. It's basically an inch thick book of boilerplate, with what I felt was no perceptible emphasis on what parts may be more important to know than others. I studied exclusively with this book for BEC up until about a week before the exam, probably 50 hours total up to that point, and then I had the realization that I was screwed if I didn't try something else. I found a free website with a few hundred study questions and I spent 3 days going through them (until I had almost every question memorized), and in hindsight I found that much more helpful than this book. I'm now studying for AUD and I purchased CPAExcel instead. It's not as cheap as these Wiley books, but so far it feels effective and it's still a much more reasonable tool for those of us who can't afford/don't have employers willing to pay the big \$\$\$ for the Becker study material.

I used this book in conjunction with the Wiley CPA exam online test bank and the Yeager CPA exam review videos. I used the book primary to learn the content and the online test bank to practice the multiple-choice. I didn't use the review videos much in preparation for BEC, but that is a different story/product. What I like about the BEC exam review book is that the chapters are short- I don't think any of them are over 25 pages, and the chapters are easy to read. Compared to FAR, where some of the chapters are 100+ pages, this book is much easier to get through. It is also not too difficult to actually read the entire chapter and understand the concepts. With the REG and AUD books I found myself struggling to read the full chapters. Unless you are a genius you will probably need to invest in additional test preparation materials like the ones I mentioned above, but the Wiley CPA exam review books should be at the core of your study regiment.

Let me preface by saying that I used the 2013 Wiley Auditing book, which came with a Yeager CPA Review package I ordered, and was almost overwhelmed with the sheer volume of information inside of that book. Moving on to the BEC Wiley book, I was ready to be blown away by the quantity of information, but was surprised to see that the BEC book was more condensed than the AUD book. Perhaps that is due to the BEC exam not covering as much wordy information as the Audit book, but regardless, I used this book and Wiley Test Bank to pass the BEC exam. It's jam-packed with relevant information, and all of the multiple choice / simulation problems (that I can recall) absolutely helped to prepare me for the BEC section. The questions are very similar to questions on the exam itself, and are presented in a format that makes it easy to go back and forth between questions and text explanations. Great resource!

Even though I registered Becker's Self study, I way more use this book for my self study. It contains

enough contents for taking BEC exam. To compare with Becker's BEC book, almost same but this book is lighter and easy to carrying on. Sample practice exams included. Cheaper than Becker!.Both Becker and Wiley are good start of your study. Highly recomend!!

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I cleared my previous 3 CPA papers (AUD,FAR & REG)in first attempt with the help of Wiley CPA exam review books,so I am a big fan of Wiley.When I purchased the BEC book,first thing I noticed was the name of author as all the earlier books were named after Whittington & Delaney both, but the 2013 editions has only Whittington's name on it.I searched online everywhere if the partnership broke up or what, but could not find any reason.Somewhat, I am not much comfortable with the new changes.So far I have finished almost half of the book and I am finding it not up to the mark of pre-2013 Wiley books.The sentences seems complex and I feel some sections within the chapters are simply wrapped up with 1 or 2 points.In pre-2013 Wiley books the paragraphs used to blend well with the flow of topic, while here sometimes I can't make out what relation the next para has with earlier.Same is with subsections within the topic.In pre-2013 books, questions were arranged as per the paragraphs and within reasonable range of 10-12 questions per para.So you can grasp the para and easily solve them as you proceed in the topic.In new book the author has inserted instructions to review/solve given question numbers based on the syllabus covered so far.However the problem is that he has grouped the questions in average of 40-50 questions per group.It's very annoying because after reading 3-4 pages at a time, solving 40-50 questions at a stretch makes me lose track.Also,the questions are not labeled same as paras, so I really find it difficult to relate them back to the appropriate paragraphs.

I think this product is soooo much better than Beckers! It teaches you everything you need to know for the exam and in fact, is much more thorough than Beckers!

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