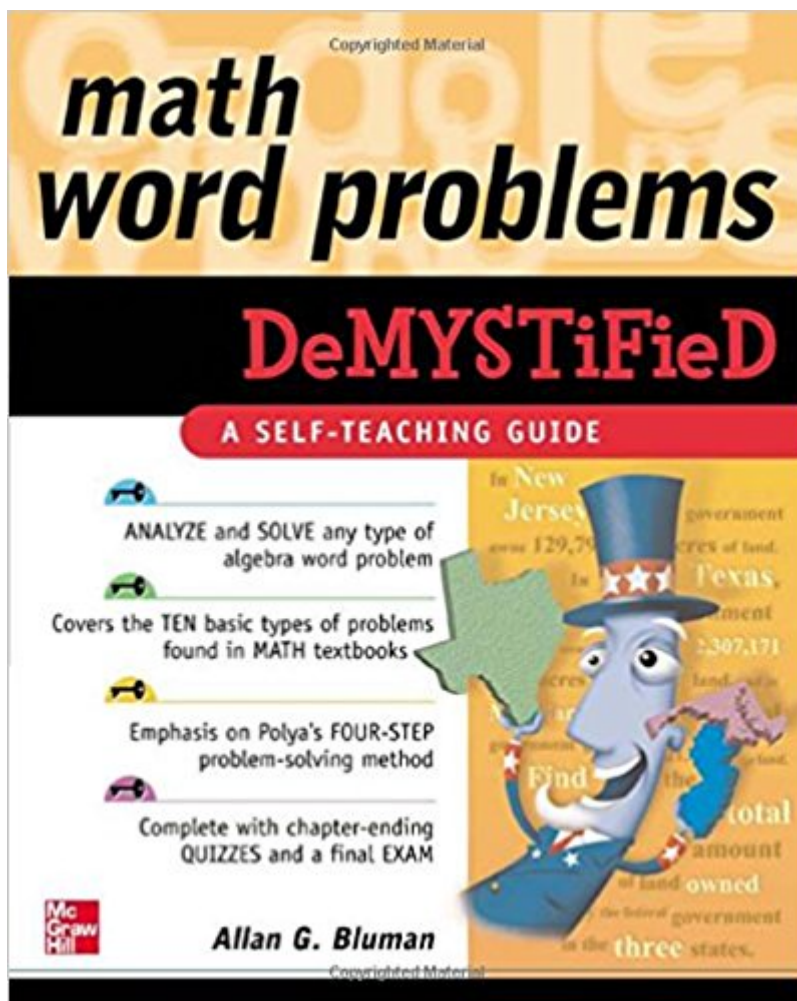


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# Math Word Problems Demystified



## Synopsis

Word problems are the most difficult part of any math course and the most important to both the SATs and other standardized tests. This book teaches proven methods for analyzing and solving any type of math word problem.

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Word Problems? NO PROBLEM! Now anyone, even those whose palms begin to sweat at the first sight of math problems that begin "A train left the station going 65 mph..." can overcome anxiety and learn to solve word problems. In *Math Word Problems Demystified*, experienced math instructor Allan G. Bluman provides an effective, tension-free, approach to conquering the word problems on the SATs and many other standardized tests, in algebra, and in other mathematics and science classes. With *Math Word Problems Demystified*, you master the subject one simple step at a time -- at your own speed. This unique self-teaching guide offers practice problems, a quiz at the end of each chapter to pinpoint weaknesses, and a 40 question final exam to reinforce the methods and material presented in the book. If you want to master math word problems, here's the self-teaching course that will get it done. Get ready to -- Transform word problems into solvable equations Master a 4-step strategy that empowers you to understand and solve the most common word problems Conquer word problems involving distances, mixtures, levers, finance, work, speed, percents, coins, ages, and more Obtain the right answers using formulas and proportions Score better on science

and math exams as well as standardized tests. A fast, effective, and fun way to master word problems, *Math Word Problems Demystified* is the perfect shortcut to gain the confidence and develop the necessary skills to solve these tough test questions.

Allan G. Bluman taught mathematics and statistics in high school, college, and graduate school for 39 years. He received his Ed.D. from the University of Pittsburgh and has written three mathematics textbooks published by McGraw-Hill. Mr. Bluman is the recipient of "An Apple for the Teacher Award" for bringing excellence to the learning environment, and the "Most Successful Revision of a Textbook" award from McGraw-Hill. His biographical record appears in *Who's Who in American Education*, Fifth Edition. Alan Bluman is the author of *Pre-Algebra Demystified*.

I love this math book. I'm an older adult. But I had a fear of math and wanted to overcome it. I read this book and practiced the lessons in each chapter. The instructions are very clear. It makes you realize that perhaps we didn't grasp math in grade school because the instructions were not presented clearly enough. Sometimes after a lesson I actually hugged this book. Because I realized the problem wasn't me, it was how the material was presented.

I have always struggled with word problems. Due to changing schools a couple times and different curriculum in each, I ended up taking Algebra I three times (needless to say, by year three, I was completely bored!), then later took Algebra II and College Algebra. Nevertheless, on the ACT I did rather poorly on the algebra section because it is made mostly of word problems. Same on the GRE. So before starting another degree program that is heavier in math than my first, I picked up this book to help me learn the concepts with which I struggle. Somehow, in all those classes (plus one more in college), I just never got it, but with this book, I finally did. I actually began to enjoy them! This book explains things very simply and gives just the right amount of problems to help you practice. The explanations on how to solve the problems and on how the practice problems are solved are very easy to understand as well. All I can say is THANK YOU, Bluman! I wish I had picked this up 5 years ago! :)

I am not in school but I like looking through the book and trying to figure out the questions off the top of my head, Geeking out every once in a while.

Get this for your 6th grade student. It reviews math they have had and teaches how to figure out

word problems. It has great explanations and examples. It has practice problems and then quizzes at the end of a unit. Answers are either right after the problems or at the back of the book. Parents can use this to help kids, and math teachers can certainly use it for probably 5th through 8th or 9th grades.

I checked this book out of the library just because I always enjoyed doing story problems. What it does is give you a methodology to solve all those story problems you always struggled through in school. I worked virtually every problem in the book, just because I found it fascinating. It's amazing what algebra can do for you! I never realized how practical it was. I thought this was a great book for providing a solid understanding of how to do story problems. And if you like doing story problems, this one will give you plenty of practice!

I would recommend this book as a very good high school refresher. Definitely worth the money.

This book is great. It breaks the various word problems into categories and then develops a plan to help solve that category. This book is easy to understand and has helped me tutor my children in this area. Most people roll their eyes at math word problems this book has changed that. I highly recommend it.

I like this book. It keeps me grounded and prevents me from building towers in the sky. Thinkers need to avoid getting too lofty. Lack of oxygen up there.

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