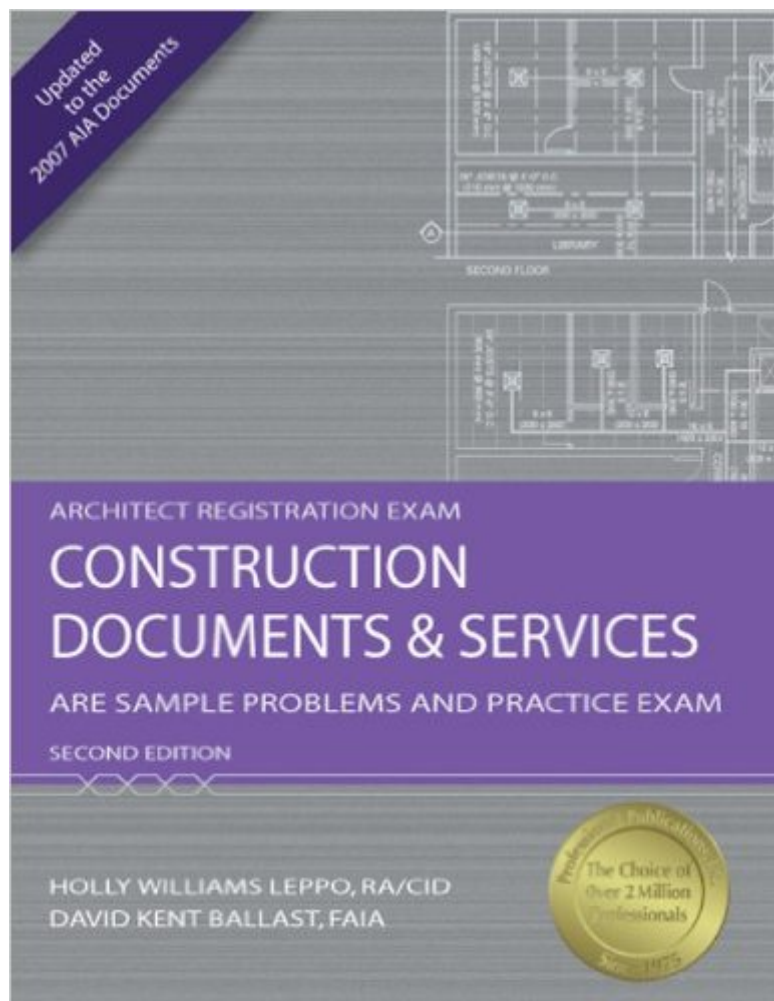


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# Construction Documents & Services: ARE Sample Problems And Practice Exam, 2nd Ed (Architect Registration Exam)



## Synopsis

Updated to the 2007 AIA Documents Get the realistic practice you need to successfully prepare for the Construction Documents & Services division of the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) with *Construction Documents & Services: ARE Sample Problems and Practice Exam*. 123 challenging sample problems are presented in the same formats as the problems on the exam, including multiple-choice, check-all-that-apply, and fill-in-the-blank. A sample vignette prepares you for the graphic portion of the exam. Clearly explained solutions, are provided to supplement your review. Also included is a realistic 100-problem practice exam that simulates the actual exam experience through content areas covered, length, level of difficulty, format, and the use of logical distractors. The practice exam includes a building section vignette just like the actual exam.

Coverage of the Construction Documents & Services Content Areas

- Bidding Procedures and Documents
- Codes and Regulations
- Construction Administration Services
- Construction Drawings
- Contractual Documents
- Project and Practice Management
- Project Manual and Specifications
- Building Section Vignette

Features and Benefits

- Challenging sample problems in the same format as the exam provide the realistic practice you need to successfully prepare for the Construction Documents & Services division of the ARE.
- Downloadable PDF files, which can be imported into your drafting software, allow you to practice creating graphic vignette solutions.
- Practical tips for approaching the multiple choice sections, solving the vignettes, and using the vignette software help you avoid common mistakes.
- Updated codes and standards provide you with the most current ARE review materials.

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## Customer Reviews

I passed CDS first shot in credit to this book. Warning do not make this book destroy your ego. The practice exam killed me. I got a 62% on it, and was reading online that is a good score to manage a pass on the real exam. I think these books are great, cause they are super hard, and makes it seem like the real test. I know its expensive... but it will be worth it.

Passed my exam the first time using this and the ARE Review Manual. The sample test is a killer. I got something like a 54% on it, choked, and immediately starting flashcards of the areas I had missed. I took the sample test not quite two weeks out, and that was enough time to brush up before the real test. The vignette for this section isn't hard, but there is only one correct solution, and the time allotted is barely sufficient, so you should have the software down COLD before taking the test.

I have used these sample problem books by Ballast for my last three exams (Construction Docs and Services, Programming Planning and Practice, and Site Planning and Design). I didn't need to buy the one for Schematic Design. So far I have passed all four of the exams and this book has absolutely helped my preparations for the multiple choice portions. One thing I really like about this series of books is the way it is organized. The front section has multiple choice questions with the answers and an explanation immediately below. Since it is hard for me to find the time to study sometimes, these offer quick little test questions without having to fuss with lots of study materials. I lugged this little book around with me and would read it (and test myself) whenever I got a spare moment. In the middle of the book are some practice vignettes with tips, and for anyone who has taken these exams, the more vignettes to practice, the better. The last portion of the book is an exam with the answers hidden at the back. I found the difficulty of the mock exam to be fairly challenging and on the same level as what I encountered during the exam. Highly recommended for anyone who wants to pass the AREs!

This book was immensely helpful in my studies. I haven't found out how I did on the exam yet but this book was a big part of my study process and I found it to contain a lot of relevant questions.

If ALS gives you one perspective on the exams then Ballast gives you the other. Better go fully

prepared and this does the job.

Great book for preparing to take the ARE CDS- this was one of the best resources during my prep for the exam.

The price of the book is a bit high for what you get.

I have not yet studied this book; but did not anticipate it being only ~80 pages. Hopefully, the information is extremely helpful to make up for the \$60+ cost.

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