

**Global View - Taking The GMAT** (C0320)

Ash: I can't seem to progress up the career ladder no matter how hard I try and I have been here for 2 years already!

Mindy: Well, have you thought of getting an MBA? I heard it does wonders in getting you to the top.

Ash: An MBA hey... well my degree wasn't in business, the business schools won't be interested in me.

Mindy: Nonsense! The business schools measure your ability through a test called GMAT.

Ash: GMAT? What does that stand for and what will the test contain?

Mindy: Graduate Management Admission Test, it contains three parts; Analytical Writing Assessment, the Quantitative section, and the Verbal section. Not only does the test mark you on the number of questions answered but also on the difficulty.

Ash: Okay this sounds a little tough, how am I supposed to practice for this?

Mindy: Up to you, you could have a one on one session with a tutor or group sessions, you can also use free or private computer software. Going to church might help as well!

Ash: No matter what I do I'm going to ace this test and go on to become a corporate fat cat!

Mindy: Umm. . . That's the spirit!

### Key Vocabulary

corporate	<i>A</i>	related to business
management	<i>N</i>	the action of controlling an area of a business
graduate	<i>N</i>	person who finished university
GMAT	<i>N</i>	Graduate Management Admissions Test
analytical	<i>A</i>	pertaining to or proceeding by analysis
quantitative	<i>A</i>	type of information based in quantities

verbal	<i>A</i>	consisting of or in the form of words
MBA	<i>N</i>	Master of Business Administration
fat cat	<i>P</i>	A wealthy and privileged person

### Supplementary Vocabulary

greed	<i>N</i>	excessive desire, as for wealth or power
wizard	<i>N</i>	a person of amazing skill or accomplishment
market	<i>N</i>	the field of trade or business
thesis	<i>N</i>	a dissertation on a particular subject in which one has done original research
professor	<i>N</i>	a teacher of the highest academic rank in a college or university