

You've got a solid but dense course to cover in a week. It's doable with the right plan, especially if you balance **core theory**, **book references**, and **hands-on practice** with R or Python (or SPSS if needed).

✅ Study Plan (1 Week Crash Course)

Day	Focus Area	Topics	What to Use
Day 1	Probability Distributions	Binomial, Poisson, Normal, Exponential, Gamma, Beta, etc.	Books + R practice
Day 2	Sampling Techniques	Population, sample, random sampling, sample size, estimation of mean/proportion	Books + R practice
Day 3	Estimation Methods	MLE, Method of Moments, Bayes estimators	Theory + implement in R
Day 4	Hypothesis Testing	Type I/II errors, significance, MP and UMP tests	Theory + t-test/z-test in R
Day 5	Regression Basics	Simple and multiple regression, model matrix	Theory + lm() in R
Day 6	ANOVA & ANCOVA	One-way, two-way ANOVA for fixed models	aov(), anova() in R
Day 7	Revision + Practical	Go through all R/SPSS implementations, summary sheets, previous year papers	R + SPSS (if required)

Best Book References

1. Theory:

- **“Fundamentals of Mathematical Statistics” by S.C. Gupta & V.K. Kapoor**
✅ Great for probability distributions, sampling, estimation, hypothesis testing.
- **“Statistical Inference” by George Casella and Roger L. Berger**
✅ Advanced but covers estimation methods, hypothesis testing in depth.
- **“Introduction to the Theory of Statistics” by Mood, Graybill, and Boes**
✅ Classic for sampling, estimation, and hypothesis testing.

2. Practical (R-focused):

- “The Art of R Programming” by Norman Matloff
- “R for Data Science” by Hadley Wickham (Free online at <https://r4ds.had.co.nz/>)
- “Practical Statistics for Data Scientists” by Peter Bruce & Andrew Bruce

3. SPSS Users:

- “Discovering Statistics Using IBM SPSS Statistics” by Andy Field – Best SPSS book, beginner-friendly with deep examples.

Hands-On (R focused):

You can use these R packages:

- stats (for distributions, regression, tests)
- ggplot2 (for visualization)
- car, MASS, psych, e1071, DescTools (for ANOVA, regression diagnostics, skewness, kurtosis)
- sampling (for survey designs)

I can also provide you **ready-to-run R scripts** for each day’s practical component if that helps you move faster.

Where to Start?

Start with Day 1: Probability Distributions. Learn the formulas and theory briefly, then immediately jump into:

Binomial example

```
dbinom(3, size=10, prob=0.5)
```

Normal Distribution

```
dnorm(0, mean=0, sd=1)
```

Gamma

```
dgamma(2, shape=2)
```

Plotting

```
curve(dnorm(x, mean=0, sd=1), from=-3, to=3)
```

Would you like me to create a **daily breakdown with R code examples and reading links** for each day? That way, you can just follow along without overthinking.