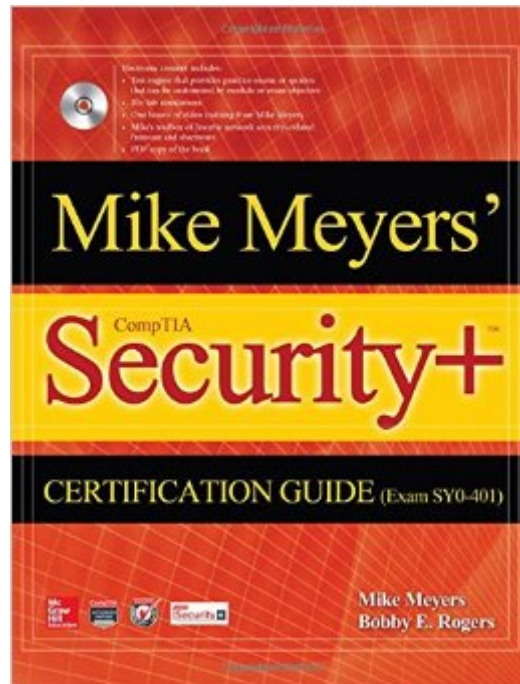


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Customer Reviews

I like how Mike Meyers writes his books. I have used him for his A+ and Network+ books. A great solid read for anyone going for the Security+The new format is kinda weird. Not bad though. It just allows for more review questions (46 modules vs. 28 chapters of Net+).Overall along with a video series, this book, CertMaster, and Gibson's Practice Test book, I made an 850 out of 900 on the exam on my first try.

Found Mr. Meyers direct writing skills very refreshing. Instead, of adding a bunch of miscellaneous stories/examples, Mr. Meyers gets straight to the point and addresses the Security+ categories. The simulations are quite weak. There are basically drop and drag multiple choice questions. This is the only thing keeping it from a 5. I still would recommend this over anything else though.

Well organized, simple English to let you understand the difficult term easier. To be honest, you can heavily rely on one book for any examination. Use this one as your core material and buy extra exercises to practice before the examination.

Passed with an 836 on 8/24/16. I do not believe Meyers' book alone would have been enough to achieve that score, and I cannot say with certainty that it would have been enough to obtain the required 750 to pass. My goal was to spend no more than three weeks studying for the exam, thought I was able to dedicate ~4 hours a day for two weeks. I chose this book because of past success with Meyers' A+ and Network+, and I like the condensed format of his books. However, in addition to Meyers' book I used bits and pieces of the All-in-One Exam Guide, and lots of Wikipedia for concepts I did not fully understand, or that were not fully explained in Meyers' book. SY0-401 is a more difficult test than previous Sec+ tests (I had passed the 2008-version in 2010), and requires a deeper understanding of policies, procedures and protocols around security matters. The Meyers' book does a poor job explaining Perimeter and Physical Control Types and Functionalities, and after reading and re-reading that section of the book I was confused about what constitutes a control v. a function; the All-in-One book helped to put the pieces together. To use this book, pay particular attention to concepts and buzzwords that may only be mentioned in a sentence or two, as they very likely will be covered on the exam. Take nothing for granted.

Still reading it and it is a useful book. I am already in Security, but I need to take the test! I like this book because it is much more information than the class I took at work! If you want to take the test, I strongly get this book! I like Mike Meyers' writing style!

CompTIA exams seem to be fairly general, so I guess I can't blame this book for being the same. I do blame Mike Meyers for his lack of ability to write though.... So many chapters he would begin with a brief introduction and then add a subtitle and repeat many of the same things he said in the previous paragraph. Annoying, but not really a deal-breaker. I haven't bothered with the Security+

exam yet, (I'm already in IT and management would rather see real-world skills demonstrated rather than a certification) but if this is an indication of what is on the exam it seems it will be very general and vocabulary heavy so this is probably a good study guide for it. I do recommend the book overall if you're looking for an introduction to IT Security.

The book covers more course material than online web courses I have come across for security+. I would have preferred that certain areas be covered in more depth but that limitation is overcome from your own research/ reading and studying multiple practice exams. Also key point is that this is an introductory security course.

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