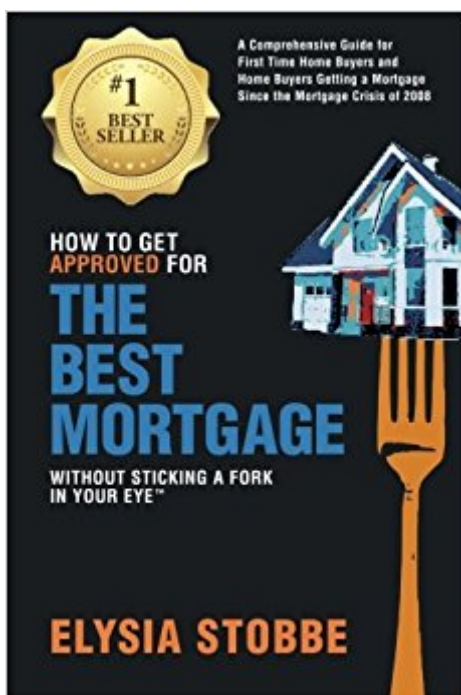


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# How To Get Approved For The Best Mortgage Without Sticking A Fork In Your Eye: A Comprehensive Guide For First Time Home Buyers And Home Buyers ... Since The Mortgage Crisis Of 2008 (Volume 1)



## Synopsis

Did you know that over 50% of mortgages don't close? Do you know how much home you can buy? Do you know how much paperwork is involved? Most people don't know how much home purchasing power they have, how much to expect for closing costs (varies by state), or how much paperwork is involved when applying for a home loan. Most people have no idea the difference between loan programs from bank to bank, lender to lender, or broker to broker or what the differences are between the main types of residential mortgage providers. Most people have no criteria for choosing a lender, the type of loan to seek, or how much down payment is best for them. For example, are there differences between the types of property that may affect down payment? The mortgage industry is packed with nuance, which can lead to confusion for the consumer. While trying to buy a home, you may have people from many different professions telling you what you should do and how to make decisions—who should you listen to in which situations? Your most personal financial information is critical to the mortgage process and yet do you know who you are sending it to? What about mortgage insurance? Why is it required and when? The two questions I most often hear are: “What’s the payment?” and, “What’s the interest rate?” While these questions are important, there are several other questions that are just as critical: what is the right loan type for me; is there an up-front funding fee for this loan; what are the differences in available mortgage insurance; how will property type restrictions affect my loan; what are the pros and cons of this loan; what is the down payment requirement with this loan choice over another; what are the closing costs associated with each loan type; and, who is allowed to pay the closing costs? Successfully navigating the maze of questions, regulations, and requirements ultimately leads to a mortgage closing. Through over ten years of experience, thousands of clients, hundreds of Realtor and builder transactions (time line constraint purchases), and, as a licensed loan originator in 9 states and the District of Columbia, I have developed a wealth of knowledge about regulations and requirements. My commitment to client service and caring about their home buying experience has driven my passion for the individual personal experience in the mortgage industry and how the regulations and requirements affect real people in real time. With this book I’m privileged and excited to share my knowledge and experience with you. After reading this book, you will have an understanding of the big corporations that loan money to homebuyers, what other options you have and how to navigate government regulations and requirements to your advantage. I feel that an educated consumer is my best customer and I am happy to share these mortgage tools and tips with you in the hopes that you educate yourself and find the best mortgage and the mortgage professional that is right for you. In addition, I want you to know what to expect, what to

ask, and, who to ask to get the answers you want and to understand what those answers really mean. With each chapter I will guide you through the mortgage process, from choosing between different loan types, to understanding the difference between a Good Faith Estimate and an Itemized Fee Worksheet, to the necessity of submitting certain documents in a particular method, and finally how to enter Closing Day stress-free and knowing that you have gotten the mortgage that makes the most financial sense for your future. The goal is to help you get the best mortgage possible for your individual needs and get to closing on time, stress free!

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I bought this book because I wanted to educate myself on the ins and outs of buying properties. Having known very little about the process of applying for mortgages, I've found this book to be a great introduction for anyone who wants to head into these endeavors feeling like they know what to expect. The book is technical, defining terms as it goes along, as well as readable. I actually reached out to Ms. Stobbe and wrote her an email, and I was so very pleased with her prompt response. Consider this book to be required reading for those looking for mortgages.

For over 6+ years, I've directly benefited from Elysia Stobbe's deep insights and principled approach to securing the best mortgage. As a client of hers, I can speak first hand to the great service and care I received during the purchase of a new house as well as during a refinance. I found her book to be a direct reflection of her communication style and passion for delivering an outstanding customer experience - she delivers valuable insights in a straightforward, no nonsense approach. This is a **MUST READ** for BOTH the 1st Time Home Buyer and all Repeat Home Buyers. I took tons of notes in the margins of the pages, highlighted key passages, and underlined lots of important action steps and helpful Go-Do's. This is **THEEE GUIDE** to have when trying to navigate today's new and complex rules. Elysia takes the stress out of the process, she provides helpful tips and best practices, and she does all this to ensure you have a great experience and optimal

outcome. Thank you Elysia for sharing such helpful insights!

A must have for anyone seeking a mortgage or for a real estate agent to truly understand how mortgages work. Even though I have purchased three homes, until I read this book I must admit that I did not fully understand the process and how to not make critical mistakes. Also, as a editor of a business magazine, I will be able to apply this knowledge to our content.

A must read for first time home buyers! Very well written for anyone who doesn't know the first thing about buying property. This would make an invaluable gift!!!

As a first time home buyer I have felt overwhelmed by all of the layers of learning required to buy a home. I started reading this book today and am absolutely blown away by the heartfelt client testimonials. I cannot wait to dive head first into learning about finding a great mortgage. I can already tell from the first chapter that the author speaks in plain English and deeply cares about helping people.

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