# Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) is coming!

The SAT is a three-hour, primarily multiple-choice test that measures verbal and mathematical reasoning abilities that develop over time. Many colleges use SAT scores to determine merit awards and may even require specific scores to gain entrance. Scholarship committees may request SAT scores as part of an application package as well.



# To sign up:

# http://sat.collegeboard.org/home

The College Board website has TONS of resources dedicated to helping you prepare for the SAT and life beyond high school. There are free full-length practice tests as well as practice test tutorials through KHAN Academy.

**School Code**: 030050 **Price**: \$52.50

# https://www.khanacademy.org/sat

Students will be able to practice at their own pace using Khan Academy's personalized learning dashboard. The dashboard recommends exercises at each student's level and shows progress, points, and badges as students accomplish their "SAT mission."

## **APPS** (free SAT apps for your smartphone or tablet)

#### 1. The Official SAT Question of the Day (College Board)

If you like the "a little bit every day" kind of approach, and you're willing to start early, this app can definitely help! Here, you'll receive a question each day from all three sections of the SAT - Mathematics, Critical Reading, and Writing. You can browse through last week's questions along with your answers, and read thorough explanations for every wrong choice. Bonus? The app comes from the maker of the SAT test themselves – The College Board – so you know the questions you're getting every day are spot on.

#### 2. IntelliVocab lite for SAT (Faqden Labs)

If you struggle with vocabulary, and hate vocab flashcards like nobody's business, then this app is just your thing. It's adaptable, meaning it uses algorithms and web semantics to figure out the best way to quiz you. The more you practice, the more the app learns about the types of vocabulary words that will trip you up. Although it only has 290 words in the lite version, learning those 290 words will increase your chances of scoring high on the SAT Writing (including the <u>essay!</u>) and Critical Reading sections, for sure.

#### 3. SAT Up (Score Beyond)

This app is currently ranked #16 in the iPhone under education and #8 for the iPad. They have a bigger following than even the official SAT app! It replaced the "Ace the SAT" app which was designed specifically for the math portion. SAT Up prepares you for every section on the SAT with detailed analytics, step-by-step explanations, and over 400 questions. It also gives you the standard formatted SAT score at the end of each quiz and even a percentile score for students entering the college of your choice, so you can estimate what you might achieve on the real deal and the competitiveness of your score, too.

#### 4. Prep4SAT

Studying for the SAT doesn't have to be a headache. With Prep4SAT, achieve a great score by learning essential SAT concepts, practicing SAT questions, taking realistic tests, reviewing flashcards, and receiving detailed score analysis. Study on your own schedule and prep for the SAT or PSAT anytime, anyplace.

# **Other Useful Websites**

#### www.number2.com

The SAT Companion, like the rest of this great site, is **absolutely free** and is a complete tutorial to help you raise your SAT score. The tutorial teaches you how to approach each kind of question, lets you practice questions at your own pace, and monitors your progress. Unlike some other test prep offerings, you don't need to take a lengthy diagnostic test to start – our site *automatically adapts to your skill level as you go*, so you can jump right in. The sign-up process is quick and painless – we promise. And your personal information is fully confidential.

www.test-guide.com

www.princetonreview.com/college/free-sat-practice-test.aspx

www.kaplan.com

## Campus resources

The counseling office and the library have SAT study guides and can offer test information as needed.

## **Purchase**

If you would like to purchase your own SAT study guide, Amazon.com offers several varieties. College Board, Princeton Review, and Barron's are recommended publishers.