

Everything you need to know about the SATs

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What are the SATs?

- The **SAT** is a standardized test that is used to measure your academic capabilities in reading, writing, and math
- Universities use SATs as a requirement for admission
- You can register to take the SATs through the official college board website after creating an account.



The Registration Process

You Need:

- College Board account, high school code, around \$103 (Regular SAT) or \$118 (SAT with Essay), and photo ID
 - ASU code is 676189

1. Sign up and create an account in College Board.
2. Go to sat.org/start
3. Fill in appropriate information
4. Give credit card info
5. Print admission ticket

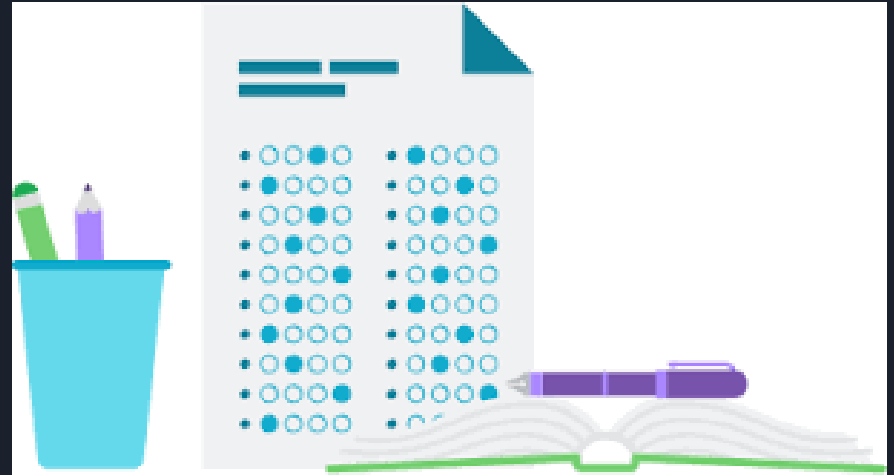


When are the SATS?

Date	Oct 5	Nov 2	Dec 7	Mar 14	May 2	Jun 6
Which Tests	SAT and Subject Test	Subject Tests only	SAT and Subject Test	SAT only	SAT and Subject Test	Subject Test only
Deadlines	Sep 6	Oct 3	Nov 8	Feb 14	Apr 3	May 8

SAT Scoring Scale and Structure

- Out of 1600
- Score Breakdown:
- Math Score: 800
- Evidence-Based Reading and Writing: 800
- Optional Essay





Subject Tests

- 21 Subject tests
 - Math Level 1 & Level 2
 - Biology Ecological or Molecular ; Chemistry; Physics
 - English; History
 - Languages: Spanish, French, German, Italian, Latin, Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Modern Hebrew
- Make sure to pick a date without the general SAT
- Maximum of 3 subject tests can be taken in 1 date assuming that each test is an hour long.
- Shows colleges what you are specialized in.
- Out of 800 points



Subject Tests

- Some Universities “highly recommend” you take them
 - For example: Cornell University
 - Life Science Department: No SAT Subject Test required
 - Arts and Sciences: 2 SAT Subject Tests of your choices
 - Engineering: Math (any level) and a science SAT Subject test
- If you are applying to
 - Competitive universities/colleges
 - Going into the STEM field

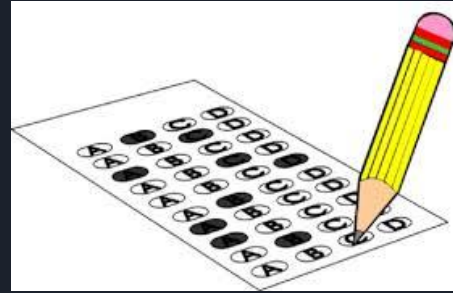


Subject Tests Example

- The Math Level 1 and 2 exams both take 1 hour each.
- 50 questions.
- Tested based on the common curriculum (up to Precalculus)
- Scored on uncorrected answers
- The curve of the Level 2 is more lenient and students often get higher scores on it (average of 44 for 800).
- Recommended by high end competitive schools.
- Not recommended to send both of them

PSAT Scoring Scale and Structure

- ❑ Out of 1520
- ❑ Score Breakdown:
 - Math- 760
 - Evidence Based Reading and Writing- 760
- ❑ Tests skills on reading, writing, and math
- ❑ 2 hours and 45 minutes long (3 hours including break)



What to do...

To Prepare:

- Take lots of practice tests
- Test your speed

Test Day:

- Not cram the night before
- Relax
- Get a full night's sleep



What not to do...



- PROCRASTINATE

Test day:

- Forget your admission documents
- Use a different pencil than No2




How to prepare for the SATs and PSATs?

- Online practice tests
- Visit Khan Academy Official SAT Practice - 10 Full timed length tests
- Attend SAT Prep extracurricular classes
- Programs that specialize in SAT prep



Test scores

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TEST	TOTAL	MATH	R & W	ESSAY
Practice test 1	1210	620	590	-
Practice test 2	1300	690	610	-
Practice test 3	1270	650	620	-
Practice test 4	1270	610	660	-
Practice test 5	1350	670	680	-
Practice test 6	1360	670	690	-
Practice test 7	1380	730	650	-
Practice test 8	1410	710	700	-
SAT October 2018® 	1480	770	710	-
SAT March 2018® 	1260	630	630	-
PSAT 8/9 Fall 2015® 	1100	570	530	-



Timeline (Ideal)

8th Grade: PSAT 8/9

9th Grade: PSAT 8/9

10th Grade: PSAT 10

Summer: Prepare for the SAT

11th Grade:

- December or March: Take the SAT
- May: SAT Subject Tests

12th Grade:

- October: Retake if needed
- December: Last Chance



Thank you for
your attention!

- Any Questions?