



#### SAT Overview:

The SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) is a globally recognized standardized test widely used for college-level admissions in the United States and a few other countries. It assesses a candidate's readiness for higher education and is divided into two main types: the Reasoning Test and Subject Test.

#### 1. Types of SAT Tests:

- Reasoning Test: Evaluates a test taker's ability to analyze and solve problems. This test is further divided into Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Mathematics.
- Subject Test: Focuses on specific subjects and assesses a candidate's knowledge in those areas. Subject Tests are optional, and candidates can choose subjects relevant to their academic strengths.

#### 2. Syllabus and Test Patterns:

- The SAT Reasoning Test and Subject Test differ in terms of syllabus, test pattern, and scoring process.
- The Reasoning Test is based on high school subjects and is organized six times internationally at various centers across the world.

#### 3. Scoring:

- The total duration of the SAT is three hours, with an additional 50 minutes for the optional Essay section.
- The total score scale ranges from 400 to 1600, with 200 to 800 allotted for Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and 200 to 800 for Mathematics.
- The Essay section is scored separately, with scores ranging from 2 to 8 on each of the three traits.

#### 4. Test Frequency and Eligibility:

- The SAT is organized multiple times throughout the year, providing flexibility for candidates to choose the most suitable test date.
- There is no specific eligibility criterion for the SAT. However, since it is primarily taken for college admissions, candidates are advised to take the test during their junior or senior high school years.

#### 5. Retaking the Test:

- Candidates are allowed to take the SAT multiple times within the allotted dates.
- It is common for candidates to retake the test to improve their scores, especially if the initial attempt does not meet the requirements of their desired undergraduate college.

6. Essay Section:

- The optional Essay section adds an additional 50 minutes to the test duration.
- Essay scores are reported separately, with scores ranging from 2 to 8 on each of the three traits.

SAT Syllabus:

- Since the SAT is intended for high school students or equivalent, the syllabus is aligned with high school curricula.
- The Reasoning Test covers Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, as well as Mathematics, focusing on the skills and knowledge acquired during high school education.

Preparation Tips:

- Utilize official SAT practice materials.
- Consider taking preparatory courses if needed.
- Familiarize yourself with the test format and question types.
- Practice time management to complete each section within the allotted time.

As SAT scores are a crucial component of college applications, candidates are encouraged to prepare thoroughly and strategically for the test to maximize their chances of success.

Following are the components of the SAT Reasoning Test-

Subjects	Number of Questions	Time	Score Range
Mathematics	57	80 minutes	200-800
Reading Test	52	65 minutes	200-800 (combined with Writing section)
Writing and Language Test	44	35 minutes	200-800 (combined with Reading section)
Essay (Optional)	1 prompt	50 minutes	Not scored
Total	3 hours (with optional 50 minutes)	154 questions	1600

The SAT Subject Test is based on specific topics that the candidate can appear for. The SAT Subject Tests are scored on a 200-800 scale.

The following subjects are included in the test-

Literature	Biology/EM	German	Italian
U.S. History	Chemistry	German with Listening	Latin

World History	Physics	Spanish	Chinese with Listening
Math Level	French	Spanish with Listening	Japanese with Listening
Math Level 2	French with Listening	Modern Hebrew	Korean with Listening

The exam conducting College Board allows aspiring candidates from all over the world to appear for SAT Exams. SAT Test centre and date can be selected by the testtaker depending on their convenience. A candidate who intends to take the SAT test should duly complete the SAT registration process both online and by mail.