

SAT Changes in a Nutshell

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Verbal	Critical Reading (long passages), Sentence Completion, Analogies	Analogies eliminated, Short Critical Reading passages added
Math	5-Answer Multiple Choice, Quantitative Comparisons, Grid-Ins	Quantitative Comparisons eliminated, Advanced Algebra added
Writing	Does not exist	Multiple-Choice Grammar, 20–25 minute essay
Time	3 hours	Now 3 hours and 35 minutes
Scoring	Math: 200-800 Verbal: 200-800	Math: 200-800 Critical Reading: 200-800 Writing: 200-800

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Your Timeline for the New SAT

First Class Affected: Class of 2006
 First New SAT Test Date: March 2005
 First New PSAT Test Date: October 2004

	Class of 2006	Class of 2007
Summer 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start your test prep at the end of your sophomore year 	
Fall 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the new PSAT Take the current or "old" SAT 	
Spring 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the new SAT 	
Summer 2005		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start your test prep at the end of your sophomore year
Fall 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last chance to take the SAT if you don't have the score you want 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the new PSAT
Winter 2005		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the new SAT
Spring 2006		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the new SAT if you don't have the score you want
Fall 2006		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last chance to take the SAT

Questions about how the new tests affect you? Call one of our educational advisers today.



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Quick Guide to the NEW SAT

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Test Prep and Admissions

The SAT and PSAT* are changing

The College Board is making big changes to the PSAT and SAT. They will offer the first administration of the new PSAT in October 2004 and the new SAT in March 2005.

Why are the tests changing?

The testmakers are changing the SAT to make it more reflective of the high school curriculum and more predictive of college success.

Is this important for me?

Students in the class of 2006 will face the new PSAT and have the option of taking the current SAT, the new SAT, or both. Students in the class of 2007 and after will take both the new PSAT and the new SAT.

The new SAT emphasizes:

- ▶ critical reading skills
- ▶ grammar and essay-writing skills
- ▶ advanced algebra and other math knowledge

Frequently asked questions

Q Which test should I take?

If you're in the class of 2005 you'll still take the current SAT; if you're in the class of 2007 you'll be taking the new one. For students in the class of 2006, however, many colleges will take the higher of two scores from the old SAT and the new SAT. Kaplan recommends that these students take both tests.

Q Will the new test be harder?

Many students will find the new test harder. The new writing section will test students' knowledge of grammar and require them to write an essay in 20–25 minutes. The new math section will include advanced algebra. The longer test will require more stamina.

Q How is Kaplan changing its materials for the new exams?

Kaplan is completely revising its SAT prep material to reflect changes in the exam. We have extensive experience preparing students for the two tests closest to the new material: the SAT II Writing and SAT II Math tests.

Q Will the new SAT better predict a student's performance in college?

The addition of the writing measure and the changes to the Math and Critical Reading sections should provide schools with a more complete picture of a student's preparedness for college.

Q How can I find more information about the test changes?

For the latest information on the changes to the PSAT and SAT, call **1-800-KAP-TEST** or visit Kaplan's special new SAT website at **kaptest.com/newsat**.

Kaplan is ready to help

With more than 65 years in the test prep industry, no one is more experienced in helping students prepare for changes in the tests. Kaplan has dedicated an entire team of test experts to prepare for the changes to the SAT and PSAT—and to help you prepare for them as well.

Kaplan is pleased to offer the following specialized services for the new tests:

- ▶ **Special Transitional Prep Program** Kaplan will offer a special prep program for the class of 2006 to help prepare them for the old SAT, the new PSAT, and the new SAT.
- ▶ **Free Sample Tests** Kaplan can schedule a sample test as early as September 2003 to help you prepare for the new tests.
- ▶ **New Curriculum Materials** We'll be offering all new course materials, practice tests, home study guides, and much more.

Kaplan: Your partner for the new tests

Kaplan has the resources to help you prepare for the changes to the SAT and PSAT. Call or visit us online today for the latest news and information on the tests' changes and to find out how Kaplan can help.



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