To find out more about the changes to the SAT and how we can help you navigate a path to college and career, visit sat.org/new. #NewSAT

Final Administration
JANUARY 2016

- 171 Questions
- 225 Minutes

First Administration
MARCH 2016

- 154 Questions*
- 180 Minutes*

*155 with Essay
*230 with Essay

**SECTIONS**

**CURRENT SAT**

- CRITICAL READING
  - Tests general reasoning skills.

- MATHEMATICS
  - Tests a wide range of math skills.

- WRITING
  - Questions in the Critical Reading Section ask students to understand texts but won’t ask them to cite evidence in their answers. Writing Section questions are based on sentences or short paragraphs.

**NEW SAT**

- EVIDENCE-BASED READING AND WRITING
  - Measures skills and knowledge students need to be ready for college and beyond. Better reflects what students learn in class.
  - Focuses on math that research shows is used most in college and career.
  - Questions in the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section are passage-based. Students are asked to support answers with evidence from a passage.

- MATH
  - Tests words students are more likely to use again. They’re in context, so students can figure out what words mean from the surrounding text.

**ESSAY REQUIRED**

- Includes some uncommon vocabulary words that students may not use regularly.

**ESSAY OPTIONAL**

**SCORING**

**CURRENT SAT**

- Score Range: 600–2400
- Points Subtracted for incorrect answers

**NEW SAT**

- Score Range: 400–1600
- No penalty for guessing

Most colleges and universities will accept scores from both the current and the new SAT. Students should check with individual schools to learn more about their admission policies. SAT fee waivers are available for all eligible students.