

## an official sat practice test

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Take the practice test to reinforce your test-taking skills and to be more comfortable when you take the SAT. This practice test will give you a good idea of what to expect on the actual test. However, the test you eventually take will differ in some ways. It may, for example, contain a different number of reading passages, and its sections may be in a different order.

Also, this practice SAT includes only nine of the ten sections that the actual test contains. Section 3 of this test is an unscored section and has been omitted because it contains questions that may be used in future editions of the SAT. The practice test will help you most if you take it under conditions as close as possible to those of the actual test.

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## Taking the Practice Test

- Set aside 3 hours and 20 minutes of uninterrupted time.**  
That way you can complete the entire test in one sitting. Note: the total testing time is 3 hours and 45 minutes, but you save 25 minutes because the unscored section was omitted from this practice test.
- Sit at a desk or table cleared of any other papers or books.**  
You won't be able to take a dictionary, books, notes, or scratch paper into the test room.
- Allow yourself the specified amount of time for each section.**  
Have a timer or clock in front of you for pacing yourself on the sections.
- Have a calculator at hand when you take the math sections.**  
This will help you determine how much to use a calculator the day of the test. Use a calculator with which you are familiar.
- Read the general directions carefully.**  
They are reprinted from the back cover of the test book. On test day, you will be asked to read them before you begin answering questions.

## Finding Your Scores

Your raw test scores are placed on the College Board scale of 200-800. Use [Scoring Your Test](#) (.pdf/569KB) to find the scaled scores that correspond to your raw scores on this edition of the SAT. The essay will be scored on a scale of 1-6, and reported on a scale of 2-12. Use [Scoring Your Test](#) (.pdf/569KB) to determine how your particular essay might be scored. You should double the score to get an approximate essay score.

## Reviewing Your Performance

After you score your practice test, analyze your performance. Asking yourself these questions and following the suggestions can help you improve your scores:

- Did you run out of time before you finished a section?**  
Try to pace yourself so you will have time to answer all the questions you can. Don't spend too much time on any one question.
- Did you hurry and make careless mistakes?**  
You may have misread the question, neglected to notice the word "except" or "best," or solved for the wrong value.
- Did you spend too much time reading directions?**  
You should be familiar with the test directions so you don't have to spend as much time reading them when you take the actual test.