

SAT Preparation - Summer 2017 | Course Syllabus

Summer STEM Academy

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Objective: This course will prepare students to take the current (new) SAT test with the optional essay. We will cover the Math, Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and optional Essay sections. Over six weeks, students will earn test-taking strategies while developing concepts for each of the sections, including math principles, reading and writing skills, essay structure, and common mistakes. Classes are 1.5 hours long, three days a week (see calendar below). Students will be expected to complete homework assignments as well.

Dates and Times:

Tuesday & Thursday 1:45 PM - 3:30 PM

Program Cost: \$300. Students enrolled in multiple classes will be discounted appropriately.

Materials/Texts: I will be primarily using Barron's New SAT book, 28th edition, for practice exercises and sample texts. We will also be using assorted online resources. Students may find it useful to get a copy of this book for themselves so that they have easy access to practice, but this is not required.

Bring to class: Every day, bring your notebook, pencil, calculator, daily homework assignments, and brain!

Homework: Students will be given light practice exercises in math, reading, and writing as homework each session. In order to maximize class time instruction, all homework will be **required** and due the next class day unless otherwise noted. The answer keys to most practice tests are readily available online or in practice books; we use the honors system and trust that each student will be responsible for his/her own learning.

Tentative Schedule:

6/20 Tuesday	Overview of Test and basic test-taking strategies Begin Reading/Writing
6/22 Thursday	Math: Basic strategies and overview of concepts Diagnostic Test
6/27 Tuesday	Reading/Writing: Basic strategies and overview of grammatical conventions
6/29 Thursday	Math: Probability

7/4 Tuesday	Essay: Structure of an argument
7/6 Thursday	Reading/Writing: Analytical Skills
7/11 Tuesday	Math: Common Mistakes
7/12 Thursday	Essay: Managing time crunch and creating bank of ideas
7/16 Tuesday	Reading/Writing: Common Mistakes
7/18 Thursday	Math: Challenge Problems
7/23 Tuesday	Essay: Using the words of others
TBA	Strategies Final Exam
TBA	Holistic Review

Schedule may change based on what topics the students need to spend more time on.