

# Official SAT Practice Tests

And How to Use Them

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# Why Do Official Practice Tests Matter?

Real practice tests are vital for your SAT prep for two reasons:

- They let you get used to the format of the test and timing.
- They're the best way to predict your SAT score at your current level.

Tests based on the current SAT are by far the best to use for SAT practice since they're exactly like the SAT. While you can still use old SAT practice tests, it's important to be aware of out-of-date question types, scoring systems, and sections.

It's important to know how to get the most out of each practice test. This is the best way to use a practice test:

- Set aside a continuous block of about 3 and a half hours to complete and review the test. It's important that you go through the test in one go to simulate the real test.
- Always strictly follow the time limits for each section. Even giving yourself just 3 extra minutes dramatically changes your score.
- After you're done, grade your test using the answers and find out your score.
- For every question that you miss, really try to understand why you missed the question. This is the most important part if you want to improve your score!

# How Do You Practice For the Digital SAT?

The last paper-based SAT was administered on December 2, 2023. That means, if you are reading this guide, you are going to take the Digital SAT.

Since you want to practice in the same format you'll take the official test, official digital SAT practice tests are the most relevant. This will give you the most authentic test experience and prepare you for what you'll see and do on test day.

To access these digital tests you'll first need to download Bluebook, the app where you will register and take the digital SAT.

Unless you have approved accommodations that allow you to take the paper-based version (with new content), we strongly recommend you take the practice tests on the device you'll use on test day, with a College Board account (the same one you'll use to register for the test).

In PrepScholar's Complete online prep program, we offer thousands more practice questions and give you a detailed answer explanation so that you can figure out where you made a mistake and how to avoid it in the future.

# Free Printable SAT Practice Tests with the New Digital Format (2023-Present)

After the SAT goes fully digital in spring 2024, only students with approved accommodations will be able to take the digital SAT in paper form. If you'll be taking a paper and pencil version of the test in or after spring 2024, then, you'll want to start with their most recent practice tests that match the new digital SAT format. The College Board currently offers 4 official, printable practice tests that model the new digital SAT content.

You can also use these tests as supplements to the four digital Bluebook tests, but please note that there is a lot of overlap between them. We recommend that you take the digital tests first because they will better reflect your SAT test day experience. Then, you can use these as additional practice problems (rather than full tests), since you'll have seen much of the content already.

Linear Practice Test 1

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Linear Practice Test 2

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Linear Practice Test 3

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Linear Practice Test 4

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

# What Else Can You Practice With?

We recommend that you do the Digital SAT practice tests on Bluebook first, then use a program like [ours](#) to help you study and identify your weaknesses. If you're still looking for more practice content, you can check out the archive of past tests.

In the next section, you'll see the previous version of the SAT, which was available from 2016-2023. However, in addition to shifting the SAT to a computer-based format, the College Board made significant changes to the test's content that you'll need to account for.

The biggest difference is in the Reading questions, which are now focused on much shorter passages included in each question. As such, the old format with long passages and chronological questions are not the best preparation for the digital test.

For Math and Writing (grammar) questions, there's still some value in using the following tests, but please do yourself a favor and exhaust other resources first. You want to make sure you're studying efficiently and effectively, so only read on if you're looking for more Math and Writing practice for specific skills.

Also note that some of these official practice SATs still include an essay, which was previously an optional section of the SAT. Skip over any practice SAT Essays you come across and focus your studying on the remaining sections of the exam.

# Free Printable SAT Tests (2016-2023)

Currently, there are 8 available practice tests for the paper-based SAT, all of which have been provided by the maker of the SAT itself, the College Board.

When using these tests, remember that there have been **huge** content changes in the Reading and Writing sections (now combined) and the essay has been removed entirely. We only recommend using these tests to study for Math questions and grammar-focused Writing questions (though there are formatting shifts, the content is similar).

Practice Test 1

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Practice Test 3

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Practice Test 5

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Practice Test 6

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Practice Test 7

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Practice Test 8

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Practice Test 9

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Practice Test 10

[Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

## Where Are Practice Tests 2 and 4?

You probably noticed that Practice Test 2 and Practice Test 4 are missing from the section above. That's because the College Board has removed them from their list of officially available practice tests.

If you've already worked through the Bluebook tests, then the other eight official practice tests (for Math and Writing only) and want to keep working on specific problems, these are also available:

Practice Test 2: [Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

Practice Test 4: [Questions](#) | [Answers](#) | [Answer Explanations](#)

# In Conclusion

Through this guide, you've learned how to find real SAT practice tests. You've also learned how to best use them to get the most out of each test.

You might now be wondering how to best study for the SAT. If so, check out our free e-book on that topic! We survey the advantages and disadvantages of different methods of test prep including self-study, classroom, and tutoring.

[Click here to get our e-book Comparing Test Prep Methods](#)

If you have more question, please call us at 1(866) 811-5546, where one of our Academic Advisers will walk you through the best options for you and your family. We'd love to hear from you!

Finally, if you found this guide helpful, please share it with any other people who might benefit.

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