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Introduction

SAT is an undergraduate entrance exam accepted by many universities abroad specially those based in US, Canada and Singapore. The full form of [SAT](#) is the Scholastic Assessment Test. The SAT Exam 2025 is conducted by the College Board. If you are planning to study undergraduate courses abroad, then you can take the SAT 2025 exam based on your course and university requirements. Every year more than 2 million students take the SAT exam.

Best of Luck

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About SAT

The SAT exam was first introduced in 1926 and has undergone numerous name, test structure, and curriculum changes since then. The latest SAT exam was developed in 2016 to better align the test with the material that high school students learn in the classroom. The SAT is now fully digital globally.

SAT Highlights

Full Exam Name	SAT
Conducting Body	The College Board
Frequency of Conduct	7 times a year
Exam Level	Intermediate
Languages	English
Mode of Application	Online
Mode of Exam	Online and Offline
Exam Duration	2 Hours 14 Minutes

SAT digital exam features

- Students will use a laptop or tablet to take the exam.
- Instead of lasting three hours, the test will only last 2 hours 14 minutes.
- Shorter reading passages covering a wide range of topics will be used.
- Maths problems will be shorter and students will be permitted to utilise calculators throughout the whole maths part.
- Results will be delivered to students sooner. Scorecards will be produced in days rather than weeks.

Why should you take the SAT exam?

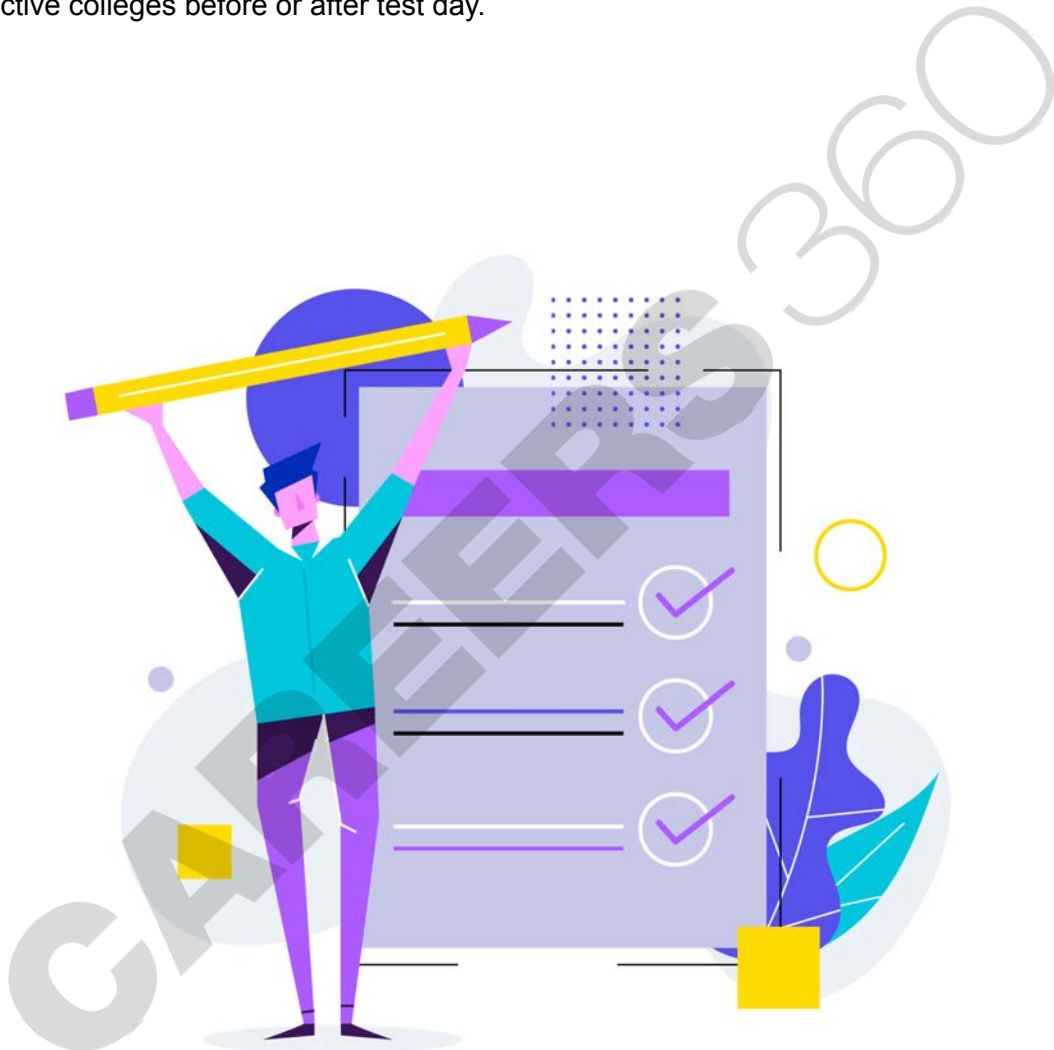
The SAT exam is administered by the College Board and is an accepted exam for admission to many schools and universities in the United States, Canada, Australia, Finland, Singapore, India, and many other nations. The purpose of the SAT exam is to gauge a student's preparation for college. The test is mostly for high school students who plan to enroll in one of the SAT-accredited colleges. Typically, high school juniors and seniors (classes 11 and 12) take the SAT exam.



Who accepts the SAT score?

The SAT score is accepted for admission to undergraduate courses in more than 85 countries across the world. In the US, more than 4000 colleges accept SAT scores. In the UK more than 125 institutions accept the SAT scores. Other countries that accept SAT scores include Australia, Canada, Japan, Austria, Japan, India and many other countries.

Most colleges require applicants to send them the official SAT scores directly from the College Board; they do not accept copies of online score reports or score report labels on transcripts. One can inform the conducting body of SAT to send the SAT score reports to respective colleges before or after test day.



SAT Eligibility Criteria

The College Board does not mandate [SAT exam eligibility](#) 2025 criteria for students, so any candidate irrespective of their age may appear in the SAT exam 2025. That being said, here are some points the candidate may refer to before sitting for the SAT exam.

- Generally, high school students in the age group 17-19 years take the SAT exam. This is a SAT eligibility criterion.
- If the candidates fall in the under 13 years age group, they can register for the SAT exam only by mail. This also comes under SAT eligibility.

Candidates above 21 years of age have to provide a government-issued photo ID at the test centre on the exam day.



SAT Test Dates 2025

The SAT test is conducted four times in a year whereas in the USA, the SAT test is conducted seven times in a year while the subject test is conducted six times in a year. If you want to register for the SAT exam, you must be aware that the registration process starts one or two months before the test date. So once you have decided on the [SAT test date](#), make it a point to register for the exam one or two months before or whenever the registration opens.

SAT exam dates 2025 for international students

If you are not a citizen of the USA and are applying for the SAT exam, you will have to apply under the category of international student. In order to register for the SAT, you must apply within the international registration deadline given below.

SAT exam dates for USA and international

Date of SAT test	International registration deadline	Deadline for changes and late registration deadline
March 9, 2025	February 21, 2025	February 25, 2025
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025	April 22, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025	May 27, 2025

SAT Registration Process

[SAT registration 2025](#) - online or by mail

SAT online registration: The online SAT exam registration process 2025 has five simple steps:

- Personal credentials- Aspiring candidates need to fill in their personal details through which they can track their test later and make alterations as and when required.
- Creating student profile- Though this is not a mandatory section, however, if students create their profile with the conducting body it shares relevant information on universities.
- Selecting SAT test centre – At the time of SAT exam registration, students choose their test date and test centre.
- Upload photo- Candidates must upload their recent photograph (formal photo). The photo should meet the prescribed specifications.
- Check out – Once all the steps are complete, candidates must ensure to go through the entire process to avoid any mistakes.

Registration/application fee: The application/registration fee for SAT exam 2025 is USD 111. Some students are eligible for a SAT exam fee waiver. International examinees taking the test outside the US have to pay extra which is added to the mentioned registration fees for SAT 2025. The payment of SAT exam registration fees is accepted via Credit Card and PayPal. Check the regional fees for SAT in the table below.

Region	Countries in Region	Fee
Africa (Sub-Saharan)	Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Republic of (Brazzaville), Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia , French Southern Territories, Gabon, Gambia, The, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Heard Island and McDonald Islands, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mayotte, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Reunion, Rwanda, Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe	\$111

Latin America	Anguilla, Antarctica, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Bolivia, Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba, Bouvet Island, Brazil, Canada, Cayman Islands, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Falkland Islands (Malvinas), French Guiana, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Martinique, Mexico, Montserrat, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Barthélemy, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Martin (French Part), Saint Pierre and Miquelon, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sint Maarten (Dutch Part), South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, Uruguay, Venezuela, Virgin Islands, British	\$111
East Asia/Pacific (Compact of Free Association members)	Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau	\$68
East Asia/Pacific	Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, People's Republic of, Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Korea, North (DPR), Korea, South (ROK), Lao People's Democratic Republic, Macao, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar (Burma), Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Norfolk Island, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Pitcairn, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Vietnam, Wallis and Futuna	\$111
Europe and Eurasia	Albania, Åland Islands, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, Faroe Islands, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Greenland, Guernsey, Holy See (Vatican City State), Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Italy, Jersey, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Republic of Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Northern Ireland, Norway, Poland, Portugal, The Republic of North Macedonia, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Scotland, Serbia, Slovakia,	\$117

	Slovenia, Spain, Svalbard and Jan Mayen, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Wales	
Middle East/North Africa	Algeria, Bahrain, Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, State of Palestine, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara, Yemen	\$111
South and Central Asia	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, British Indian Ocean Territory, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan	\$111

SAT Registration 2025 – by mail: One can register for the SAT test online only if one can:

- Pay by cheque or money order (payable to "The College Board").
- Are less than 13 years of age.
- Register for Sunday testing for the first time.

Request the College Board to open a test centre in close proximity to one's place.



SAT Syllabus

The College Board has prescribed the [SAT exam syllabus](#) for the two major sections in SAT: Reading and Writing section, and Maths section.

SAT Reading and Writing Section: It has two sections, a reading section, and a writing section. This section score is the sum of the scores of the two sections. The RW section has 54 questions with a time limit of 64 minutes to attempt them. The RW section focuses on the reading and writing abilities of candidates.

Breakdown of the reading section: Candidates will be given passages that will have some kind of information or arguments.

- Candidates will have to understand the text and use the information to answer the questions.
- There will be 2 modules of 32 minutes each. Both modules will have module will have 25 questions + 2 pretest questions.

Breakdown of the writing and language section: Candidates will have to improve the passages that will be given for the test. They will have to edit, read, find mistakes, and fix them.

Maths section: The SAT maths section tests the candidate's ability to solve arithmetic problems, using tools strategically and using the algebraic structure. In the maths section of the SAT 2025 syllabus candidates will be allowed to use the calculators. There will be 2 modules in this section.

Type of Math	Number of Questions
Algebra	13-15
Advanced Math	13-15
Problem-solving and Data Analysis	5-7
Geometry and Trigonometry	5-7

SAT Exam Pattern

The [SAT exam pattern](#) consists of two major sections: Reading and Writing, and Math. The total score is 400-1600 whereas the score of these sections is from 200 to 800 points. The [scores of SAT](#) are reported in online mode and released in the form of percentile score that lets you compare your scores with the other students.

SAT exam pattern 2025 - general overview

Components	Details
SAT Format	Reading and Writing Maths
Duration	2 hours and 14 minutes
Number of sections in Reading and Writing section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading section • Writing section
Overall score range of SAT RW section	200 to 800
Total number of questions	54 questions
Type of questions	Mostly MCQs
Overall score range of SAT math section	200 to 800
Total number of questions	44 questions
Type of questions	MCQs and grid-ins

SAT Preparation Tips

Planning is very important for SAT preparation because the test date selected by the candidate will determine in what manner he/she needs to prepare. For example, if one decides to take the SAT after 6 months, he/she will have 6 months to prepare so there won't be much pressure to complete the syllabus in a hasty manner. However, if a candidate decides to take the SAT after 2 months, he/she may have to study hard, maybe for 20 hours a week. This way following [SAT preparation tips](#) can help you plan your study better.

Preparation tips for the reading and writing section

- Develop good reading skills. The passages may have two types of deliberate errors, one that can be identified by reading a sentence, while for others, you may have to understand the theme or main idea of the passage.
- Try to make context-based improvements in the passage. Try to learn how to edit the passage in the given context.
- Learn time management - Try to practise SAT sample papers for learning time management.
- Answer all questions as there is no negative marking for incorrect answers.

Preparation tips for the reading section

- Read the passage carefully to find the answer to each question
- Use careful reasoning to draw inferences and conclusions from the passages.
- Don't be misled by the factual correctness or incorrectness of the answers, your answer should be from the information given on the passage only.
- Try to understand the ideas and themes, and points of view as given in the passage. Also focus on facts, details, and words in context.
- Use the time carefully, do not jump from passage to passage, stay in one passage and try to answer as many questions as you can.
- Since there is no negative marking in the test, you should try to answer all the questions.

Preparation tips for the maths section

- Practise a good number of sample papers and focus on improving speed and accuracy.
- It is important to have a thorough understanding of maths concepts, operations, and relations.
- Candidates do not have to memorise formulas as the required formulas will be provided at the start of the maths section. However knowing the important formulas will improve the speed of solving the problems.
- Learn elimination methods, it is important to be smart during the test.
- There is no negative marking in the exam, so answer all the questions.

SAT Result 2025

The College Board will declare the result of SAT 2025 approximately 10-15 days after the test date. [SAT result 2025](#) will be available online on the College Board account. The result would also be mailed to the candidate.

SAT 2025 Scores: The SAT 2025 scores are represented cumulatively on a scale of 400 - 1600. These scores are a sum of the individual scoring areas:

- Maths Section: The maths section is scored on a 200 - 800 point scale
- Reading and Writing Section: This includes scores from the Reading section and Writing and Language section and is scored on a 200 - 800 point scale.

How to send the SAT result to the universities?

There are two ways to share the SAT score with the universities. First, the candidates can select the universities/colleges at the time of registration or at any time between registration and 9 days after the date of the test. The second option is regular score reporting and is a paid option.

- Sending SAT scores free of cost: Candidates can send SAT scores to a maximum of 4 universities or colleges free of cost. For this, they need to submit the names of the universities anytime between the registration and 9 days after the test.
- SAT score report - additional reports: Candidates can request additional score reports if they want to share the SAT score with more than 4 colleges or if they haven't given the names of the universities for free reporting. They will be charged around \$14 per report. If the score report is requested by phone call, some additional charges will be applicable.

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Conclusion

SAT is a standardised entrance examination for undergraduate aspirants and is usually taken by junior and senior high school students within the age limit of 17 to 18 years. It evaluates candidates' knowledge in reading, writing, and maths as well as other subjects like literature, chemistry, world history, and languages among others. We hope this ebook has provided vital information about the SAT so that your preparation can get off to the right start.

