

THE NEW SAT

Coming March 2016

Impacting Class of 2017 and beyond

SAT – BIG CHANGES COMING

- ▣ March 2016
- ▣ Math
- ▣ Evidence-based Reading and Writing
- ▣ Optional Essay
- ▣ Total score: 400–1600
- ▣ Section scores for Math and Evidence-based Reading and Writing: 200–800
- ▣ 3 hours (without essay)
- ▣ 3 hours, 50 minutes (with essay)
- ▣ \$43/\$54.50

Sat – Reading/writing/language

- ▣ Multiple choice, based on passages rather than prior knowledge
- ▣ No sentence completions; focus on multiple-meaning words
- ▣ Passages will draw from significant historical or scientific documents – may include informational graphs, tables, & charts (but no math required)
- ▣ Passages will include complex structure and vocabulary
- ▣ Passage-based grammar – including punctuation
- ▣ Tests ability to identify evidence of a position

Sat -- mat

- Mostly multiple choice, but some grid-ins →→→→→
- 2 sections
- Calculator only allowed on the longer section (see website for approved calculators)
- Several questions could be about a single scenario
- Basic Math Operations, Algebra I & II, Geometry, and Trigonometry (covered in Pre Cal)

Answer: $\frac{7}{12}$ Answer: 2.5

Write answer in boxes. Fraction line Decimal point

Grid in result.

Answer: 201
Either position is correct.

Acceptable ways to grid $\frac{2}{3}$ are:

Sat - optional essay

- ▣ Many colleges recommend or require it – see SAT website for info about specific colleges
- ▣ 50 minutes
- ▣ Read a 600-700 word passage.
- ▣ Explain how the author builds an argument to persuade an audience.
- ▣ Support your explanation with evidence from the passage.
- ▣ You won't be asked to agree or disagree with a position, or write about a personal experience