

SAT Exam Pattern PDF

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SAT Exam Pattern 2024 Overview

The SAT Exam 2024 features a digital format with two main sections: Reading and Writing (RW) and Mathematics. Each section is scored separately on a scale from 200 to 800. In the digital version of the SAT, questions are primarily multiple-choice, although some Math questions require students to provide written responses rather than simply selecting an answer. A key benefit of the updated SAT pattern is the continuation of the 'no negative marking' policy.

Additionally, the new SAT format includes several changes: the overall test duration has been shortened, calculators are allowed for all Math questions, and there is now a single combined Reading & Writing section. For more details on the changes, check out the New SAT Format 2023 and the differences between the old and new SAT patterns.

Digital SAT Exam Pattern 2024

SAT Digital Parameters	SAT Digital Reading & Writing (RW) Section	SAT Digital Math Section
Format	Two-staged: one tests Reading and the other the Writing section. Both are administered across separately timed modules.	Two-staged: The math section is administered via two separately timed modules.
Test length (total operational and pretest questions)	1st module: • 25 operational questions • 2 pretest questions 2nd module: • 25 operational questions • 2 pretest questions	1st module: • 20 operational questions • 2 pretest questions 2nd module: • 20 operational questions • 2 pretest questions

Time Duration	1st module & 2nd module: 32 minutes each	1st module & 2nd module: 35 minutes each
Total Questions	54	44
Total Time Allocated	64 minutes	70 minutes
Scores Reported	Total score calculation: SAT RW section + SAT Math section scores = 1600	
Question Type(s)	Discrete; MCQs with four options	MCQ (75%) and student-produced response (SPR)(25%)
Topics Tested	Literature, History / Social Studies, Humanities and Science	Science, Social Science and real-world related topics
Informational Graphics	Tested, includes - tables, bar graphs, line graphs	Also tested

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SAT Sections 2024	Number of Questions Tested	Total Duration (mins)
Reading & Writing	54	64
Mathematics	44	70

Total	98	134
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SAT Pattern 2024 with Score Range

SAT Section and no. of questions	Time Duration (mins)	Score Range
Reading + Writing (54 MCQ-Questions)	64 minutes	SAT Reading & Writing score range: 200 to 800
Break	10 minutes	-
Math (33 MCQs + 11 SPR-type Questions)	70 minutes	SAT Math score range: 200 to 800