

# Intro: Khan Academy's Official SAT Practice

Videos showing how to assist students and staff with Khan Academy can be found at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/k12-educators/advising-instruction/practice-resources>

Over 1.3 million high school students accessed Khan— four times more than those who paid for test prep. SAT takers who practiced with Khan came from all income levels, races, and ethnicities: 68 percent of Asian students, 65 percent of African American students, 61 percent of Hispanic students, and 60 percent of white students. Bill Gates called it one of the top five events of the year, saying he wished it would have been available when he was in high school.

In 2014, Khan Academy and the College Board announced a landmark partnership to provide free, world-class test practice for all students. Beginning in early June 2015, all students will have the opportunity to practice for the redesigned SAT<sup>®</sup> using Khan Academy's online tools, including diagnostic quizzes, full-length practice tests, interactive problems, and personalized practice recommendations. Students will also receive instant feedback on their answers so they can see their progress and make the most of their study time.

Official SAT Practice will continue to be enhanced after its launch. For example, scaled scoring for practice tests will be available by fall 2015, allowing students to track their growth and see how they might perform on the real test. Eventually, students will even be able to upload their PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup> scores to Khan Academy to get an even more personalized SAT practice experience.

**Khan Academy** is a nonprofit that provides free online materials and resources to support personalized education for learners of all ages. The 501(c)(3) organization was founded by Salman Khan in 2008 and now has a team of around 60 full-time **staff**.

Khan Academy serves to inspire, instruct, and guide users' learning. Their learning resources include practice exercises, instructional videos, dashboard analytics, and teacher tools designed to empower learners inside and outside of the classroom to study at their own pace. The learning experience adapts to each individual, helps them to see their progress and goals, creates personalized recommendations about what to learn next, and motivates them to master the skills they seek.

Khan Academy reaches all corners of the globe. While 60 percent of their students are from the United States, the rest hail from countries like India, Brazil, Mexico, South Africa, and beyond. They have video lessons translated into almost 40 languages and counting, and have full **Spanish**, **French**, and **Brazilian Portuguese** versions of the site.

To date, Khan Academy has delivered over 400 million lessons and learners have completed over 3 billion exercise problems (around 4 million per day!). In addition, 900,000 registered teachers around the world use Khan Academy in their classrooms to help inspire, motivate, and guide students along their learning paths. In fact, many students getting ready for the SAT are already using Khan Academy in school or for homework help.

Khan Academy covers subjects from **basic math** to **physics**, **biology**, **economics**, **art history**, **computer science**, **health and medicine**, and more. They have also partnered with institutions like **NASA**, **The Museum of Modern Art**, **The California Academy of Sciences**, and **MIT** to offer specialized content.

To learn more about Khan Academy, please visit [khanacademy.org](http://khanacademy.org).

# Frequently Asked Questions

We've answered some frequently asked questions here to help you better understand what our partnership with Khan Academy is all about. You'll also find a few questions that describe how students can get started using Khan Academy to practice for their SATs. Remember that [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org) is your best resource for learning about the redesigned assessments, and [satpractice.org](http://satpractice.org) should be bookmarked as your one-stop-source for free, interactive SAT practice.

## Overview of Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy

### Q What is Khan Academy?

A Khan Academy is a nonprofit with a mission to provide a free, world-class education for anyone, anywhere. Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners of all ages to study at their own pace inside and outside the classroom.

### Q Why have the College Board and Khan Academy partnered?

A The College Board wanted to partner with an organization to help build out high-quality resources for all students to practice for our redesigned assessments. The partnership between Khan Academy and the College Board directly addresses one of the greatest inequities around college entrance exams: the culture of high-priced test preparation. Now, for the first time, all students will have the opportunity to practice for the SAT with completely free, best-in-class materials.

### Q Who created Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org?

A The full-length practice tests on Khan Academy were developed by the same College Board team that wrote the redesigned SAT, and all practice questions were created by Khan Academy in consultation with these developers. Khan Academy also created a brand-new system to provide personalized practice recommendations for students.

Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org will reflect the redesigned SAT's entire domain. This means that students will encounter all of the different skills measured by the redesigned SAT when practicing for the exam using Khan Academy.

### Q Who can use Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org?

A Khan Academy can be accessed by anyone, anytime, from any computer with Internet access. [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](http://OfficialSATPracticeonKhanAcademy.org) was designed to help students practice for the redesigned SAT and is completely free of cost.

Students can begin using [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](http://OfficialSATPracticeonKhanAcademy.org) in early June 2015. We will continue to enhance the program over the summer, so look for additional features in the fall.

**Q Which tests can Khan Academy help students study for?**

**A** Khan Academy's tools are being created to help students practice for the redesigned SAT, but students may also find the materials useful for PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 practice because of the close alignment between the exams.

It's also important to keep in mind that the best preparation for the SAT is learning and understanding the content and skills being taught in high school classes. The redesigned SAT will mirror the course work done in the classroom, so by focusing on mastering high school content, students can build the knowledge base needed to be successful on the test.

**Q Will using Khan Academy help students understand their strengths and weaknesses?**

**A** Yes. Because [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) includes personalized practice recommendations, the experience will be tailored to students' strengths and areas for development. The more students practice, the better the program will be at recommending materials with the greatest potential to boost student performance. Students will also be able to choose what topics they wish to work on in case they want to practice a different topic area or skill.

## Khan Academy's Technology, Equipment, and Privacy

**Q What devices can be used to access Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org?**

**A** Students will be able to access the practice program on any computer with Internet access.

**Q How can students use Khan Academy if they don't have a computer with Internet access?**

**A** There will be many opportunities to access Khan Academy, even for students who don't have a computer that has Internet access. Many places students regularly go have computers they can use: schools, libraries, places of worship, or friends' houses. Additionally, the College Board is engaged in a broad outreach effort with community groups like the Boys & Girls Clubs of America to support training and student SAT practice within students' neighborhoods. If students can't think of a place where they can access the Internet, school counselors should be able to help find a location.

The College Board is committed to making sure all students can access Khan Academy's free practice tools. We are working to partner with organizations to expand access to these tools and will continue to publish practice materials that students can download and print on [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](#).

**Q Will parents and teachers be able to see students' Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org results?**

**A** When [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) launches in early June 2015, only student users can access their practice results. If students wish, they can show parents, guardians, or teachers their Khan Academy account so that others can see how they're doing and support their learning.

**Q Will students have to ask their parents before creating a Khan Academy account?**

**A** Students who are 13 and older do not need parental permission to create a Khan Academy account. This is true for students residing in all 50 states.

**Q Can students link their College Board account to their Khan Academy account?**

**A** Account linking will not be available when **Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org** first launches in early June 2015, but we plan to add this feature as we continue to enhance our practice tools.

Once linking is available, the College Board will not share any personal information with Khan Academy. This means that, even after students link their two accounts, the College Board will not provide Khan Academy with their name, address, or demographic data. The only information that will be shared when students link their accounts is SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, and/or PSAT 10 performance results, which will be transmitted through a secure token. It should be noted that, once this feature is available, students will be able to deactivate the link between their College Board and Khan Academy accounts at any time.

**Q Where do users report crashes, bugs, and technical problems?**

**A** Khan Academy's team has years of experience building robust education tools that support millions of students at a time. That said, we know that glitches do happen. Students can report any technical issues using the "Report a problem" link ([khanacademy.zendesk.com/hc/en-us](https://khanacademy.zendesk.com/hc/en-us)) on Khan Academy's website.

## What's Available on Khan Academy and What's Coming

**Q When students log on in June 2015, what SAT practice tools will they see?**

**A** If users log on to Khan Academy today (or any day before June 2, 2015), they will find free practice materials for the current SAT (that is, the SAT offered through January 2016), including questions from unreleased SATs and videos that take them step by step from problem to solution.

Once we launch **Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org** in early June for the redesigned SAT (which will first be administered in March 2016), users will find full-length practice tests for the redesigned SAT as well as video lessons and thousands of interactive problems.

As we receive feedback from students, parents, and educators, we'll continue to update **Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org** and add new features, including an app that will allow students to upload their PSAT/NMSQT scores to Khan Academy to get an even more personalized SAT practice experience.

**Q Will Khan Academy be launching any updates?**

**A** Yes, we look forward to receiving feedback from students, parents, and educators so that we can continue to improve our practice tools and add new features for the fall, including additional practice tests and scaled scoring for practice tests so students can see how they might perform on the real SAT and track their growth.

In the future, students will be able to upload their PSAT/NMSQT results to Khan Academy to further personalize their practice experience. In addition, the College Board SAT Practice app will enable students to take an SAT practice test on paper and then scan it, get their score, and upload their results to Khan Academy right from their phone.

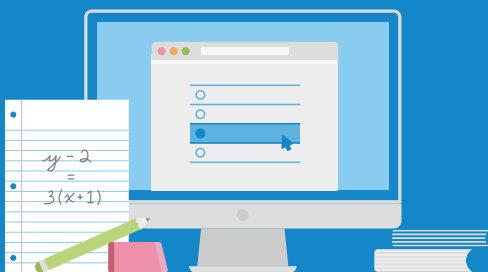
We'll provide updates on these features as they become available. Creating an account on Khan Academy is a great way to make sure you receive these updates.

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recommendations  
based on your  
PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup> or  
PSAT<sup>™</sup> 8/9 results.



Take these steps to link  
your College Board and  
Khan Academy<sup>®</sup> accounts.

1

**satpractice.org**

Log in to or create your  
Khan Academy account.

2

**Link Your Accounts**

When prompted, agree to  
link your Khan Academy  
and College Board accounts.

3

**Send Your Scores**

Sign in to or create your  
College Board account and hit  
“Send” to send your scores.

Sign up. Link up.  
Get practicing.

**satpractice.org**

## Detailed Instructions to receive world class *free* customized academic practice:

### Step 1: Log in to or create Khan Academy account

Go to [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org); Click green button labeled “Check it out now”

Sign in with Gmail, Facebook, or click “Sign up with email”

If you click Sign in with Gmail or Facebook, enter in your username and password for either these accounts and you are signed in---- *OR*----

If you click “Sign up with email” Enter in First Name/Last name/Email/Birthdate and click “Sign Up

An email will be sent to your account to verify; sign in to your email; Open email from Khan Academy accounts and click on the “Finish Signing Up” button; A welcome screen will appear where you will enter username and password and click “Sign Up”

### Step 2: Link Khan Academy account to College Board account

When logged into Khan for the first time, students will be asked if they want to send PSAT results to Khan. Students will then be directed to college board.org.

### Step 3: Create College Board account, or sign in to College Board account and hit “Send” to Link accounts

Sign in to your College Board account.

*If you do not have a College Board account:*

Click 'Sign Up' to create one. Click on the “Sign up” blue box; Fill in the fields to create your student account ensuring all information is correct. Click “Next” at the bottom when all fields are completed. You are now Signed In. (Students under 13 cannot create a College Board account.)

After successfully logging in to your College Board account, provide permission to link your accounts.

After clicking “Send” you will be redirected to SAT practice on the Khan Academy site.

Link can be removed at any time, by clicking on “Revoke” found in College Board account settings.

### Start Practicing on Khan with personalized recommendations

Start practicing in either “Math” or “Evidence Based Reading & Writing”.

Recommendations are based on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 8/9 performance.

Keep practicing –with each additional problem and activity the personalization gets stronger and gets you closer to your goal score on the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or PSAT 8/9.

# Official SAT<sup>®</sup> Practice

Free, world-class test practice from Khan Academy<sup>®</sup> and the creators of the SAT

## Information and Tips for Parents

**1**

**Encourage your child to sign up and link their College Board and Khan Academy accounts.** When they link their accounts they'll get personalized practice recommendations based on their test results from the SAT<sup>®</sup>, PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup>, and other College Board tests.

**2**

**Help your child build a personalized practice plan at [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org).** Once your child has signed up and linked their accounts, watch the overview video in the "Tips & Planning" section to learn about Official SAT Practice. Then, let the site build their personalized study plan based on where they excel and where they need more work. Next, under the "Practice" tab have them practice their personalized recommendations under both Math, and Reading and Writing.

The best way for your child to get ready for the SAT<sup>®</sup> is also free.

**3**

**Encourage them to take a full-length SAT practice test.** The College Board recommends that students take at least two full-length practice tests. You should make sure that your child takes one practice test before beginning their practice plan, and then a second test five weeks later to measure their progress. You can download and print practice tests for them at [sat.org/scoring](https://sat.org/scoring).

**4**

**Download the Daily Practice for the New SAT app.** Available for download through the Google Play and iTunes app stores, the app provides a question a day that your child can use to build their skills. It also scans and scores paper SAT practice tests, giving them an easy way to track their progress.





# How Your Child Can Do Their Best on the New SAT



## Learn About the New SAT

Have your child study up on the revised structure, updated test content, and scoring. Check out [sat.org](https://sat.org) for more information.

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## Start Early

Students should start practicing at least six months before the test, to create a baseline used to measure their progress.

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## Practice Consistently

Encourage your child to practice at least 30 minutes a day, two times a week, based on their personalized plan from [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org).

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## Work Hard

The new SAT is aligned to what students are already learning in class, so along with working hard on Official SAT Practice, the most important thing your child can do is take and commit to challenging courses.

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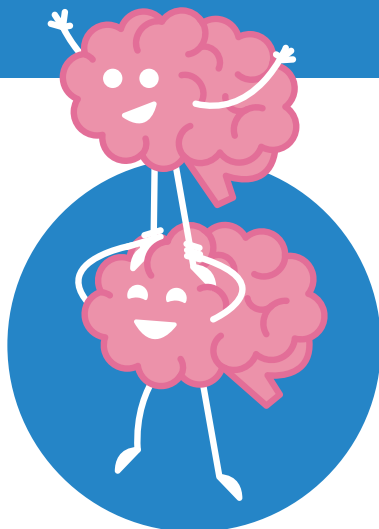
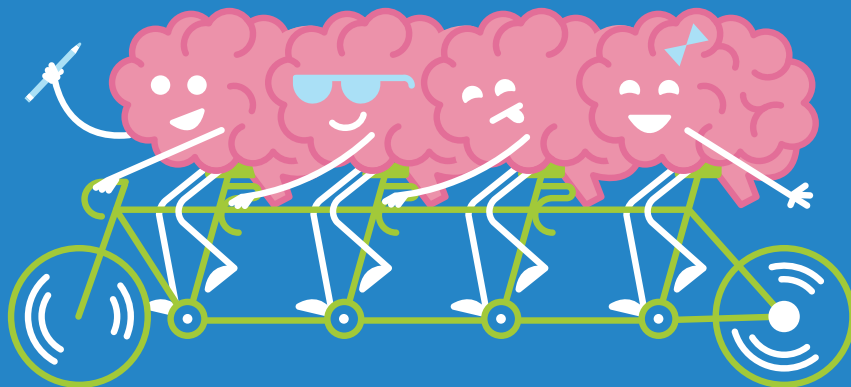
## Mix Up Their Practice

In addition to taking advantage of Official SAT Practice, make sure your child studies by reading and summarizing long-form texts, creating and solving word problems, and reading editorial content to review argument construction.

For more information, visit [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org)

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TOGETHER



## A QUICK-START GUIDE TO CREATING YOUR OWN SAT STUDY GROUP

Brains learn better when they're around other brains. It's been proven that studying in a group leads to higher retention and better motivation. And now with Official SAT<sup>®</sup> Practice, the free, personalized practice tool created by College Board and Khan Academy<sup>®</sup>, it's easier than ever to study for the SAT together. Just follow these steps to form your own SAT study group.



### STEP 1: SIGN UP

Everyone in the group should first sign up for a free Khan Academy account at [SATpractice.org](https://satpractice.org). You'll be guided through connecting it to your College Board account.



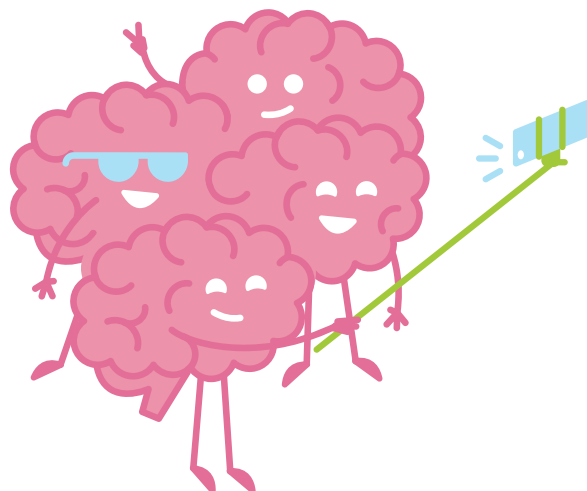
### STEP 3: CREATE YOUR SCHEDULE

Choose the dates when you'll take practice tests as a group and the times you'll get together each week to practice your skills.



### STEP 2: PICK A LEADER

Choose someone to be the group leader (or take turns). This person can help organize study sessions, set group goals, and act as the main contact person.





#### STEP 4: PUT YOUR MINDS TOGETHER

Set up regular meetings to get together in person. Meeting at least twice a week for 45–60 minutes is a great way to share things you’re struggling with. Plus, getting in the same room lets everyone practice a single subject at the same time and work through problems together. To get the most of out of studying in a group, we suggest:

- ➡ Focus each meeting on one specific subject or goal.
- ➡ Take the full practice test together as a group. Taking the full, timed test on paper will help best simulate the things you’ll need to do on test day.
- ➡ Keep it fresh by mixing up SAT practice with studying for your regular classes.



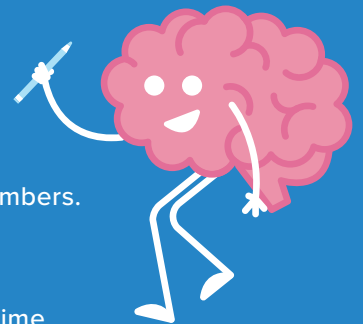
#### STEP 5: THERE'S NO "I" IN SAT

Finally, to have a truly meaningful SAT study group experience, it’s important that everyone be committed to the group. This means showing up to all the meetings and participating. And don’t forget to share your strategies for success using #SATpractice.

## EXTRA CREDIT

### SOME ADDITIONAL SAT STUDY GROUP TIPS

- ➡ For the best results, we suggest limiting your group to 5–8 members.
- ➡ Start early — at least four months before the test.
- ➡ Practice consistently on your own too — 45–60 minutes each time, twice a week.
- ➡ Learn about the new SAT — study up on the revised structure, updated test content, and scoring by checking out the “Tips and Planning” section on [SATpractice.org](https://satpractice.org).



**GET THE TOOLS YOU NEED TO START  
YOUR OWN SAT STUDY GROUP AT:**

[SAT.ORG/STUDYGROUP](https://SAT.ORG/STUDYGROUP)

# Suggestions for Sharing Information with Students and Parents Before Summer Break

We have provided a few ideas to help you share information about both the redesigned SAT and [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) with students and families.

## Sample Tweets:

Use your summer wisely! Create an account on [@KhanAcademy](#), and start practicing for the [@OfficialSAT](#) for free at [satpractice.org](#) #newSAT.

Want to get ahead this summer? Learn more about the new PSAT/NMSQT and SAT at [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](#) and follow [@OfficialSAT](#).

## Sample Facebook posts:

[(School name) or (HS Class of 2017)], do you know that you can start practicing for the March 2016 SAT today? Log on to Khan Academy to access official SAT sample questions, instructional videos, and practice tests for free: [satpractice.org](#).

[(School name) or (HS Class of 2017)], make the most of your summer! Start your practice for the SAT on [satpractice.org](#). It's free, accessible anytime, and gives you personalized practice recommendations tailored to your strengths, weaknesses, and progress.

## Sample email or newsletter language:

Students! Keep your brain active and your skills sharp this summer by getting a head start on practice for the SAT.

The College Board and Khan Academy — a leader in online education — have teamed up to provide world-class practice tools to all students for free. Launching in early June 2015 at [satpractice.org](#), [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) can be accessed from any computer with Internet access.

On Khan Academy, you will find full-length practice tests from the College Board as well as thousands of practice questions written in collaboration with the same developers who are creating the redesigned SAT. In addition to being free and accessible anytime, anywhere, [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) will give you personalized practice recommendations tailored to your strengths, weaknesses, and progress.

Log on to [satpractice.org](#) to understand what Khan Academy is all about and start practicing today!

Sample of a campaign to encourage students to create messages to promote SAT. Messages on buses too.

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