

# New SAT/ACT 101

## SAT Reasoning Test

- ✓ This is the classic, standard SAT exam (similar to the PSAT).
- ✓ It includes two main components plus an optional essay: Critical Reading/Writing, and Math.
- ✓ We recommend that students take the essay section. Some colleges require an essay score.
- ✓ Each section is scored on a scale of 200-800.
- ✓ There is no penalty for an incorrect answer, so you should always guess if you're unsure.
- ✓ The Critical Reading/Writing and Math questions are divided into four 50 minute sections. Testing without an essay takes three hours.
- ✓ Register online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). SAA's school code is 112696.



## ACT Test

- ✓ This test includes several components: English, Reading, Science, and Math, plus an optional Writing component. We strongly recommend that students take the Writing section. Some colleges require a Writing score.
- ✓ Each section receives a score of 1-36. Students also receive an overall "composite" score on a scale of 1-36.
- ✓ There is no penalty for an incorrect answer, so you should always guess if you're unsure.
- ✓ The test (including Writing) takes approx. 3 hours and 20 minutes.
- ✓ Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). SAA's school code is 112696.



## SAT Subject Tests

- ✓ These are one hour tests offered in several subject areas. You may take up to three on one test date.
- ✓ Each test is scored on a scale of 200-800.
- ✓ Several competitive schools require or recommend that applicants take these tests. They may or may not specify which tests must be taken.
- ✓ Most schools in Georgia do not require these tests. Be sure to check the requirements for any college that interests you.
- ✓ There is a penalty for incorrect answers, so only take a guess if you can narrow the choices to two.
- ✓ There is no penalty for leaving something blank.
- ✓ Register online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). SAA's school code is 112696.