

The College Board's *Teacher Implementation Guide* is designed to help teachers and curriculum specialists understand the reasoning and goals behind the redesign of the SAT and provide practical, actionable, classroom-related information to help teachers work with students to prepare for SAT. An excerpt outlining the structure and content of the redesigned SAT is below.

To view the complete *Teacher Implementation Guide*, please visit: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/redesigned-sat-k12-teacher-implementation-guide.pdf>

To view the full *Test Specifications*, please visit: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/test-specifications-redesigned-sat-1.pdf>

## SAT READING TEST CONTENT SPECIFICATIONS

	Number	Percentage of Test
<b>Time Allotted</b>	<b>65 minutes</b>	
<b>Passage Word Count</b>	3,250 words total from 4 single passages and 1 pair; 500–750 words per passage or paired set	
<b>Total Questions</b>	52 questions	100%
Multiple Choice (4 options)		100%
Passage Based		100%
<b>Contribution of Items to Subscores and Scores</b>		
Words in Context (Across Reading and Writing and Language Tests)	10 questions (2 questions per passage/pair)	19%
Command of Evidence (Across Reading and Writing and Language Tests)	10 questions (2 questions per passage/pair)	19%
Analysis in History/Social Studies (Across Math, Reading, and Writing and Language Tests)	21 questions (all history/social studies questions)	40%
Analysis in Science (Across Math, Reading, and Writing and Language Tests)	21 questions (all science questions)	40%
<b>Passage Contents</b>		
U.S. and World Literature	1 passage; 10 questions	20%
History/Social Studies	2 passages, or 1 passage and 1 pair; 10–11 questions each	40%
Science	2 passages, or 1 passage and 1 pair; 10–11 questions each	40%
<b>Graphics</b>		
	1–2 graphics in 1 History/Social Studies passage and in 1 Science passage	
<b>Text and Graphical Complexity</b>		
Text Complexity	A specified range from grades 9–10 to postsecondary entry across 4 passages and 1 pair	
Graphical Data Representations (tables, graphs, charts, etc.)	Somewhat challenging to challenging (moderate to moderately high data density, few to several variables, moderately challenging to moderately complex interactions)	

## SAT WRITING AND LANGUAGE TEST CONTENT SPECIFICATIONS

	Number	Percentage of Test
<b>Time Allotted</b>	35 minutes	
<b>Passage Word Count</b>	1700 words total from 4 passages; 400–450 words per passage	
<b>Total Questions</b>	44 questions	100%
Multiple Choice (4 options)		100%
Passage Based		100%
<b>Contribution of Items to Subscores and Scores</b>		
Expression of Ideas	24 questions	55%
Standard English Conventions	20 questions	45%
Words in Context (Across Reading and Writing and Language Tests)	8 questions (2 questions per passage)	18%
Command of Evidence (Across Reading and Writing and Language Tests)	8 questions (2 questions per passage)	18%
Analysis in History/Social Studies (Across Math, Reading, and Writing and Language Tests)	6 questions (all Expression of Ideas questions in history/social studies)	14%
Analysis in Science (Across Math, Reading, and Writing and Language Tests)	6 questions (all Expression of Ideas questions in science)	14%
<b>Passage Contents</b>		
Careers	1 passage; 11 questions	25%
History/Social Studies	1 passage; 11 questions	25%
Humanities	1 passage; 11 questions	25%
Science	1 passage; 11 questions	25%
<b>Graphics</b>		
	1 or more graphics in 1 or more sets of questions	
<b>Text Types</b>		
Argument	1–2 passages	25%–50%
Informative/Explanatory Text	1–2 passages	25%–50%
Nonfiction Narrative	1 passage	25%
<b>Text and Graphical Complexity</b>		
Text Complexity	A specified range from grades 9–10 to postsecondary entry across 4 passages	
Graphical Data Representations (tables, charts, graphs, etc.)	Basic to somewhat challenging (low to moderate data density, few variables, simple to moderately challenging interactions)	

**SAT MATH TEST CONTENT SPECIFICATIONS**

<b>Time Allotted</b>	<b>80 minutes</b>	
Calculator Portion	55 minutes	
No-Calculator Portion	25 minutes	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage of test</b>
<b>Total Items</b>	<b>58 questions</b>	<b>100%</b>
Multiple Choice (MC, 4 options)	45 questions	78%
Student-Produced Response (SPR — grid-in)	13 questions	22%
<b>Contribution of Items to Subscores</b>		
<b>Heart of Algebra</b>	<b>19 questions</b>	<b>33%</b>
Analyzing and fluently solving linear equations and systems of linear equations		
Creating linear equations and inequalities to represent relationships between quantities and to solve problems		
Understanding and using the relationship between linear equations and inequalities and their graphs to solve problems		
<b>Problem Solving and Data Analysis</b>	<b>17 questions</b>	<b>29%</b>
Creating and analyzing relationships using ratios, proportional relationships, percentages, and units		
Representing and analyzing quantitative data		
Finding and applying probabilities in context		
<b>Passport to Advanced Math</b>	<b>16 questions</b>	<b>28%</b>
Identifying and creating equivalent algebraic expressions		
Creating, analyzing, and fluently solving quadratic and other nonlinear equations		
Creating, using, and graphing exponential, quadratic, and other nonlinear functions		
<b>Additional Topics in Math</b>	<b>6 questions</b>	<b>10%</b>
Solving problems related to area and volume calculations in context		
Applying definitions and theorems related to lines, angles, triangles, and circles		
Working with right triangles, the unit circle, and trigonometric functions		