

# Introducing the Redesigned SAT

The redesigned SAT<sup>®</sup> will be the anchor of the SAT Suite of Assessments, which is designed to monitor student growth across grades annually, beginning in middle school. This level of feedback will help both students and educators engage in the best possible practice for future tests: strong classroom work and instruction. Working together, the College Board assessments provide benchmarks and consistent feedback for measuring student progress over time — allowing teachers to accelerate students who are either ahead or behind.

The redesigned SAT, PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup>, PSAT<sup>™</sup> 10, and PSAT<sup>™</sup> 8/9 will feature the key changes below that will make the test clearer for test-takers, more closely connected to K–12 course work, and more useful for college admission officers. Learn more about the key changes at [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org).



## Words in Context

The redesigned assessments will focus on relevant words, not obscure vocabulary, that students will use in college and beyond.



## Command of Evidence

The redesigned assessments will ask students to demonstrate their ability to interpret, synthesize, and use evidence found in a wide range of sources.



## Essay Analyzing a Source

The redesigned SAT Essay, which will be optional, will more closely mirror college writing assignments. Students will read a passage and explain how the author builds an argument to persuade an audience.



## Math That Matters Most

The tests will focus on three essential areas of math: Problem Solving and Data Analysis; the Heart of Algebra; and Passport to Advanced Math.

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## **Problems Grounded in Real-World Contexts**

Throughout the redesigned assessments, students will engage with questions grounded in the real world and directly related to the work performed in college and career.



## **Analysis in Science and in History/Social Studies**

Students will apply their reading, writing, language, and math skills to solve problems in a broad array of contexts.



## **U.S. Founding Documents and the Great Global Conversation**

Every time students take one of the redesigned assessments, they will encounter a passage from a founding document or a text from the ongoing global conversation about freedom, justice, and human dignity.



## **No Penalty for Guessing**

The redesigned assessments will remove the penalty for wrong answers. Students will earn points for the questions they answer correctly.

### **Learn More**

For more information on the redesigned SAT, including sample questions and test specifications, and to access additional resources to help you share information about the College Board's redesigned assessments with students, families, and colleagues, visit [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org).