



SAT[®] Teacher Resources Webinar

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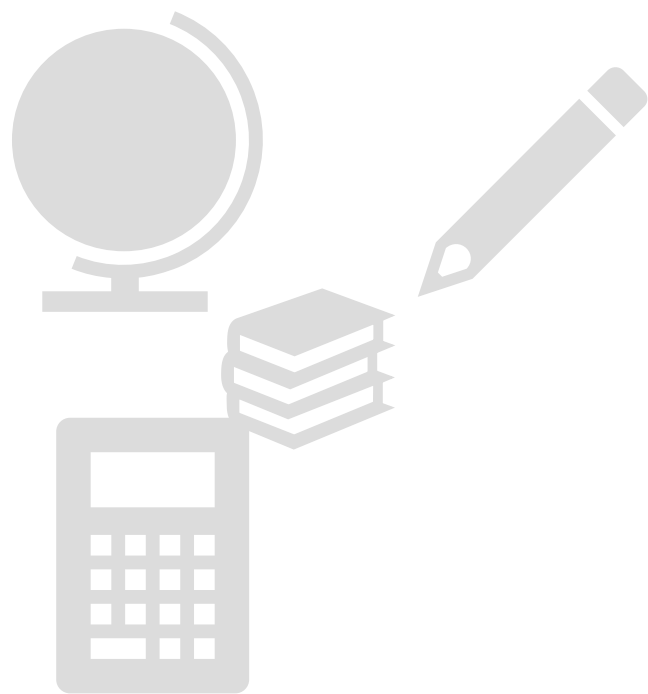


Agenda

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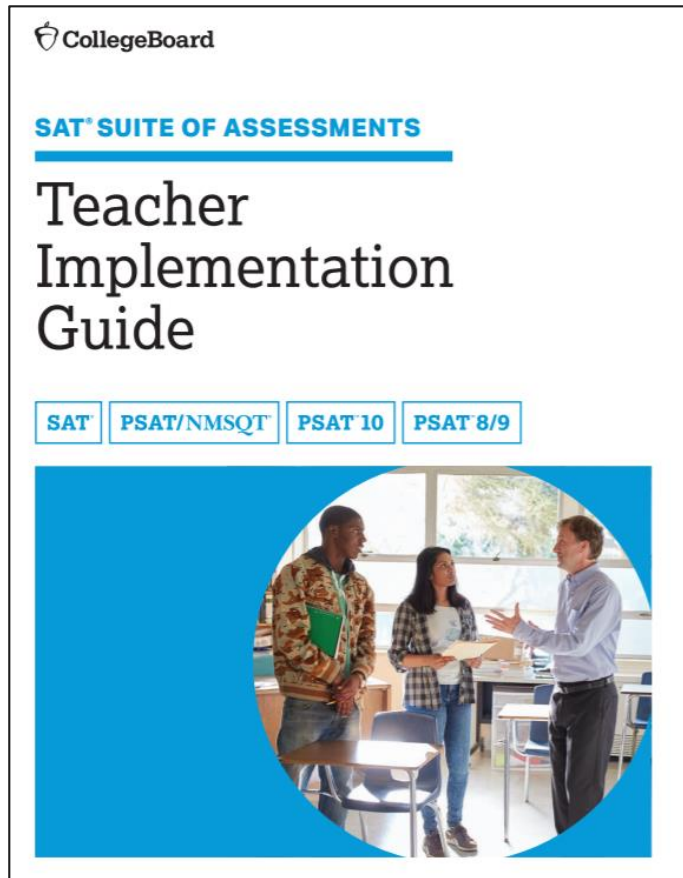
- SAT® and Classroom Alignment Review
- Teacher Toolkit Contents
- Review of Resources
 - ELA
 - Math
 - Social Studies
 - Science

The SAT® Relates to Classroom Instruction



- Aligns to state standards
- Aligns to classroom instruction
- Contains no obscure vocabulary
- Uses rights-only scoring
- Focuses on the knowledge and skills most important for success after high school:
 - Defining words in context
 - Using evidence to support arguments
 - Using “Standard English Conventions” appropriately
 - Analyzing and utilizing data
 - Applying fundamental algebra concepts

Essential Prerequisites for College and Career Readiness



College Board has concluded that students must be able to

- read, analyze, and use reasoning to comprehend challenging literary and informational texts, including texts about science and history/social studies topics, to demonstrate and expand their knowledge and understanding;
- revise and edit extended texts across a range of academic and career-related subjects for expression of ideas and show facility with a core set of grammar, usage, and punctuation conventions;
- show command of a focused but powerful set of knowledge, skills, and understandings in math and solve problems situated in science, social studies, and career-related contexts;
- make careful and deliberate use of evidence as they read and write;
- demonstrate skill in analyzing data, including data represented graphically in tables, graphs, charts, and the like, in reading, writing, and math contexts; and
- reveal an understanding of words in context and how word choice helps shape meaning and tone.

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/redesigned-sat-k12-teacher-implementation-guide.pdf>

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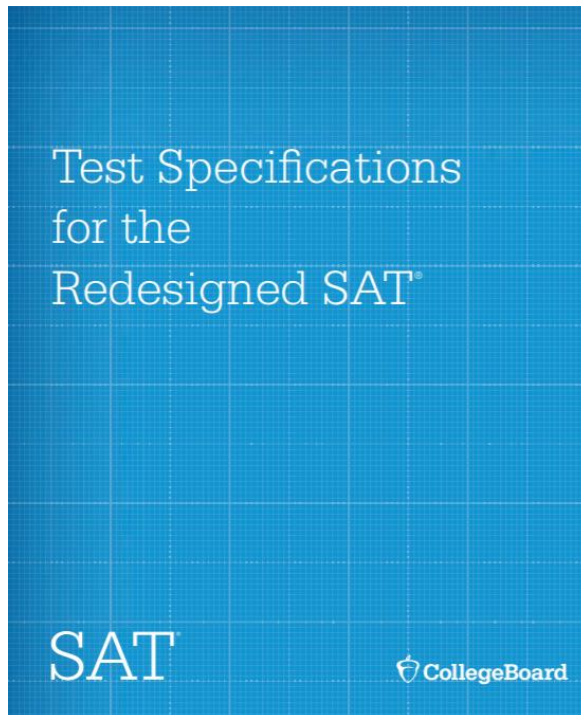
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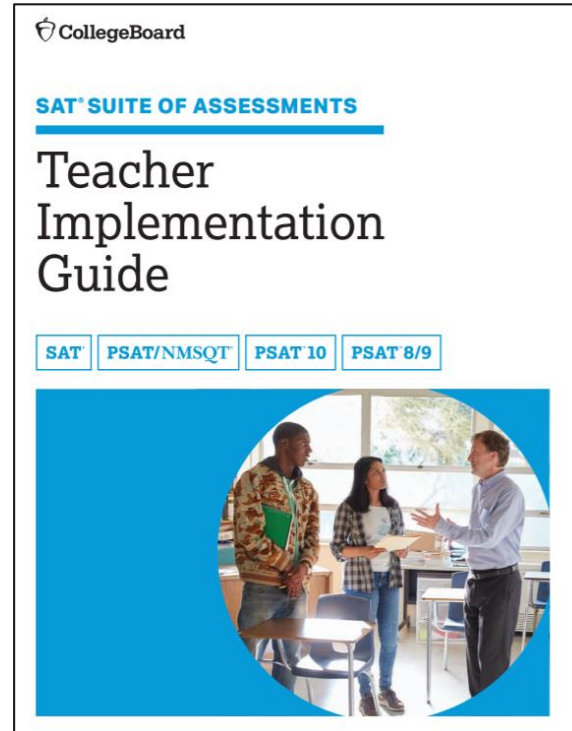
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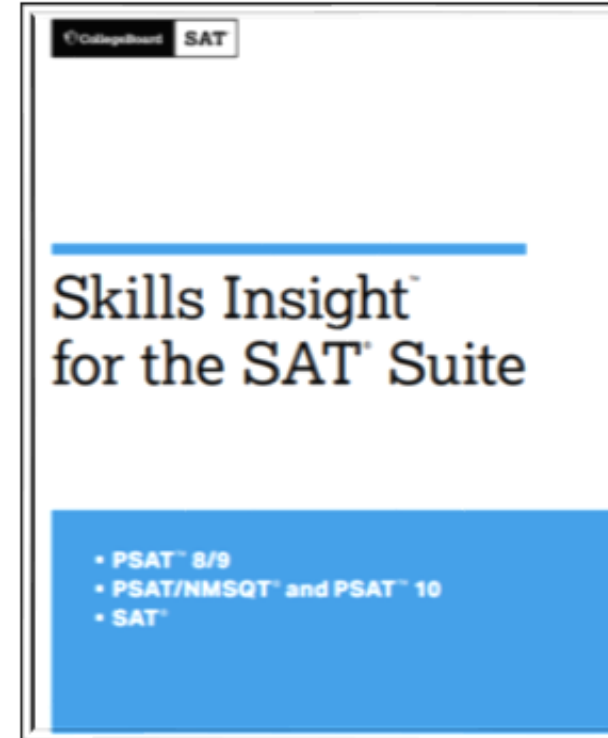
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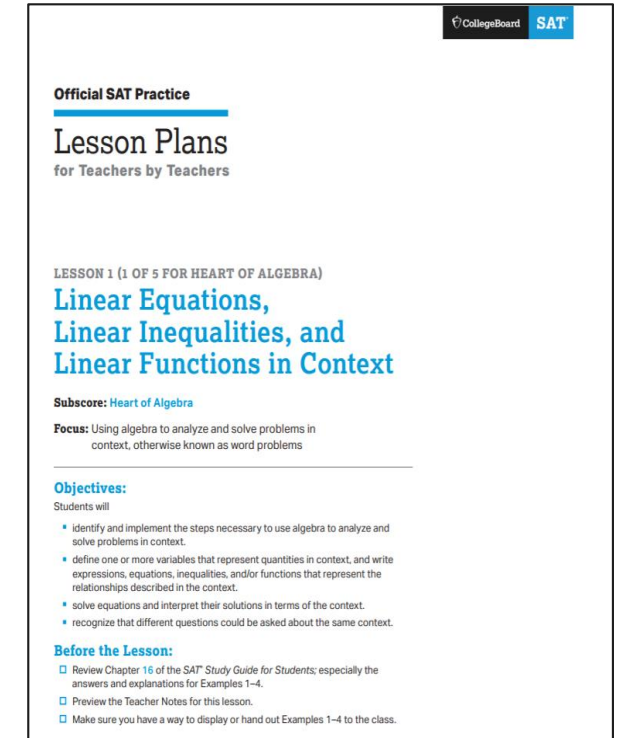
Test Specifications
for the SAT



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- review student performance;
- identify skills and knowledge that need additional instruction and support; and
- develop a plan for implementation.

The curriculum review worksheets contain sets of tables addressing most of the skills and knowledge assessed on the PSAT™ 8/9, PSAT™ 10, and SAT® (Reading, Writing and Language, and Math Tests).

Each table includes a description of a skill or knowledge and provides a structure to guide educators to evaluate the placement of that skill or knowledge within the curriculum.

SAT® Math Test
Curriculum Review Worksheets

Introduction

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- Math Tests;
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- develop a plan for implementation.

The curriculum review worksheets consist of a set of tables addressing most of the skills and knowledge assessed on the SAT Suite Math Tests. Each table includes description of a skill or knowledge and provides a structure to guide you as you evaluate the place of that skill or knowledge in your curriculum.

Each skill/knowledge table includes the following elements:

1. The name and definition of the skill or knowledge (or skill/knowledge area)
2. Questions guiding you to consider the place of the skill or knowledge in your curriculum
3. An indication of which SAT Suite subscore(s) the skill or knowledge is associated with
Definitions of the subscores appear below.
4. A series of statements describing the ways in and extent to which students scoring in various score ranges on the Math Test (e.g., 20–24) are typically able to demonstrate attainment of the skill or knowledge, and spaces where you can indicate which of these statements best reflects your students' general level of attainment

To use these worksheets, please review the following resources:

- K-12 Score Reporting Portal data
- District/school curriculum maps
- Released SAT practice tests
- *Skills Insight for the SAT Suite* (<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/skills-insight-sat-suite.pdf>)
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Curriculum Review Worksheet

Introduction

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The statements in the tables are taken from *Skills Insight for the SAT*, linked to describe typical performance of students scoring in various score ranges on the SAT Suite tests). The Skills Insight statements are generalizations based on analysis of questions and on the performance data of thousands of students taking one of assessments. In a few cases, identified in this set of worksheets by dark gray bar performance has to date been too inconsistent to allow for valid generalization.

In each table, a light gray band signals that the 30–34 score range (and the "con complexity level") contains the college and career readiness test-level benchmark (Test). More information about the benchmark, as well as benchmarks by grade can be found in *The College and Career Readiness Benchmarks for the SAT Suite* linked to above.

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SAT Writing and Language Test Curriculum Review Worksheets

Introduction

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- Writing and Language Tests;
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- develop a plan for implementation.

The Curriculum Review Worksheets contain a set of tables addressing most of the skills and knowledge assessed on the SAT Suite Writing and Language Tests. Each table includes description of a skill or knowledge (or broader skill/knowledge area, such as sentence structure) and provides a structure to guide you as you evaluate the place of that skill or knowledge in your curriculum.

Each skill/knowledge table includes the following elements:

1. The name and definition of the skill or knowledge (or skill/knowledge area)
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To use these worksheets, please review the following resources:

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The set of tables below includes abbreviations for the four subscores associated with the SAT Suite Writing and Language Tests. Subscores identify areas of concentration on the tests and consequently have potential instructional value.

ELA Folder



ELA Folder Resources

Here’s how to get the most out of the resources included in the English Language Arts folder:

Test Specifications

SAT READING DOMAIN	
Content Dimension	Description
Text Complexity	The passages/pair on the sat Reading Test represent a specified range of text complexities from grades 9–10 to postsecondary entry.
Information and Ideas	These questions focus on the informational content of text.
Reading closely	These questions focus on the explicit and implicit meaning of text and on extrapolating beyond the information and ideas in a text.
Determining explicit meanings	The student will identify information and ideas explicitly stated in text.
Determining implicit meanings	The student will draw reasonable inferences and logical conclusions from text.
Using analogical reasoning	The student will extrapolate in a reasonable way from the information and ideas in a text or apply information and ideas in a text to a new, analogous situation.
Citing textual evidence	The student will cite the textual evidence that best supports a given claim or point.
Determining central ideas and themes	The student will identify explicitly stated central ideas or themes in text and determine implicit central ideas or themes from text.
Summarizing	The student will identify a reasonable summary of a text or of key information and ideas in text.
Understanding relationships	The student will identify explicitly stated relationships or determine implicit relationships between and among individuals, events, or ideas (e.g., cause-effect, comparison-contrast, sequence).
Interpreting words and phrases in context	The student will determine the meaning of words and phrases in context.
Rhetoric	These questions focus on the rhetorical analysis of text.
Analyzing word choice	The student will determine how the selection of specific words and phrases or the use of patterns of words and phrases shapes meaning and tone in text.
Analyzing text structure	These questions focus on the overall structure of a text and on the relationship between a particular part of a text and the whole text.
Analyzing overall text structure	The student will describe the overall structure of a text.
Analyzing part-whole relationships	The student will analyze the relationship between a particular part of a text (e.g., a sentence) and the whole text.
Analyzing point of view	The student will determine the point of view or perspective from which a text is related or the influence this point of view or perspective has on content and style.
Analyzing purpose	The student will determine the main or most likely purpose of a text or of a particular part of a text (typically, one or more paragraphs).
Analyzing arguments	These questions focus on analyzing arguments for their content and structure.
Analyzing claims and counterclaims	The student will identify claims and counterclaims explicitly stated in text or determine implicit claims and counterclaims from text.
Assessing reasoning	The student will assess an author’s reasoning for soundness.
Analyzing evidence	The student will assess how an author uses or fails to use evidence to support a claim or counterclaim.
Synthesis	These questions focus on synthesizing multiple sources of information.
Analyzing multiple texts	The student will synthesize information and ideas from paired texts. (Note: All of the skills listed above may be tested with either single or paired passages.)
Analyzing quantitative information	The student will analyze information presented quantitatively in such forms as graphs, tables, and charts and/or relate that information to information presented in text.

Step 1: Review the [SAT Reading Test Specifications](#) and the [SAT Writing and Language Test Specifications](#) in a department meeting. Talk with your colleagues about each skill/knowledge listed.

Discuss the following questions:

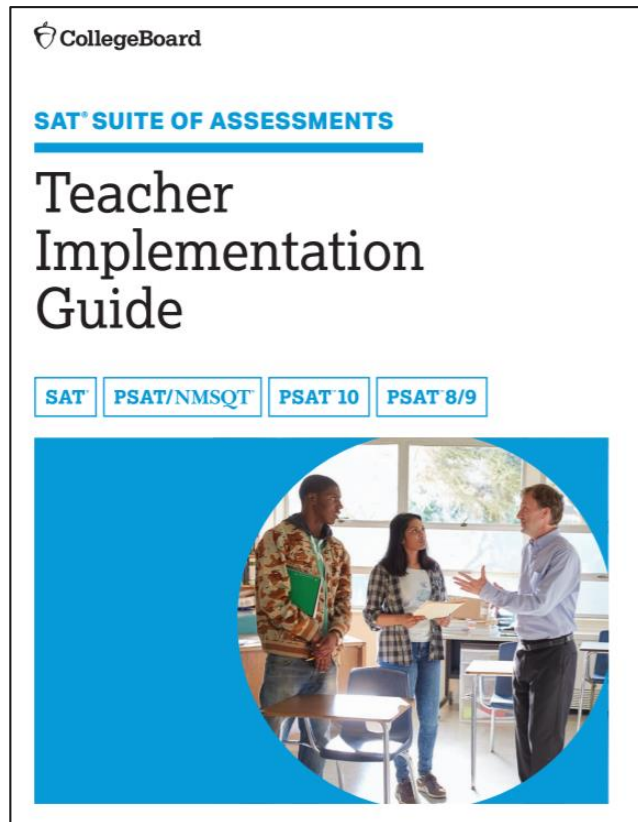
- Are there any skills or knowledge that aren’t included in your ELA curriculum?
- Which five skills will your students apply effectively on the SAT?
- Which three skills will your students struggle with on the SAT?

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Teacher Implementation Guide

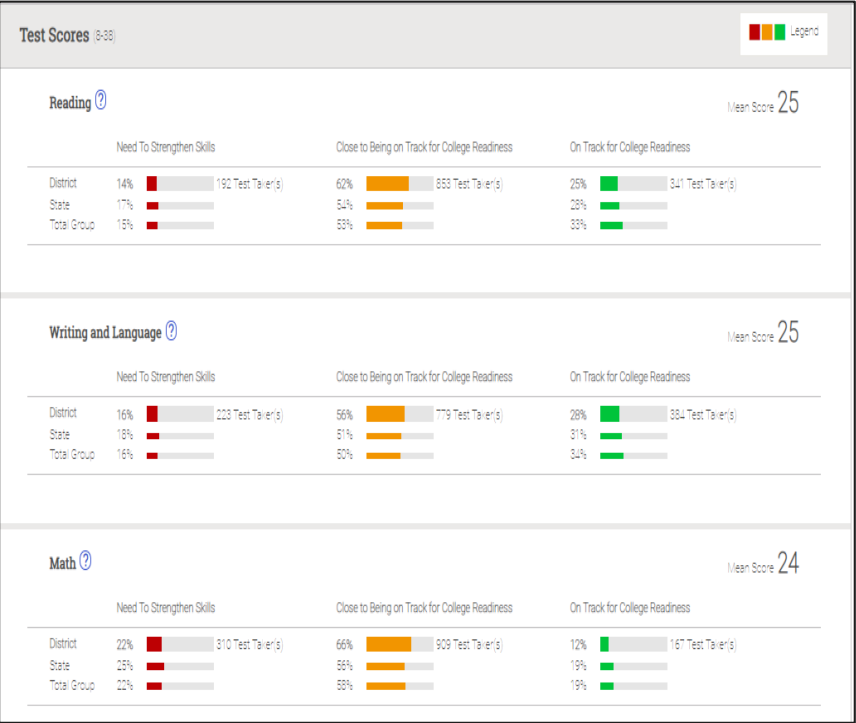
Step 2: Review practice questions to see how skills are assessed on the SAT. Practice questions included in the [Teacher Implementation Guide](#) identify the specific test content that is assessed, making it easy to connect questions with the skills in the test specifications.

More practice questions are available at sat.org/practice. Besides the eight SAT practice tests, you can review answer explanations and scoring guides to clarify the skills being assessed.



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Instructional Planning Report

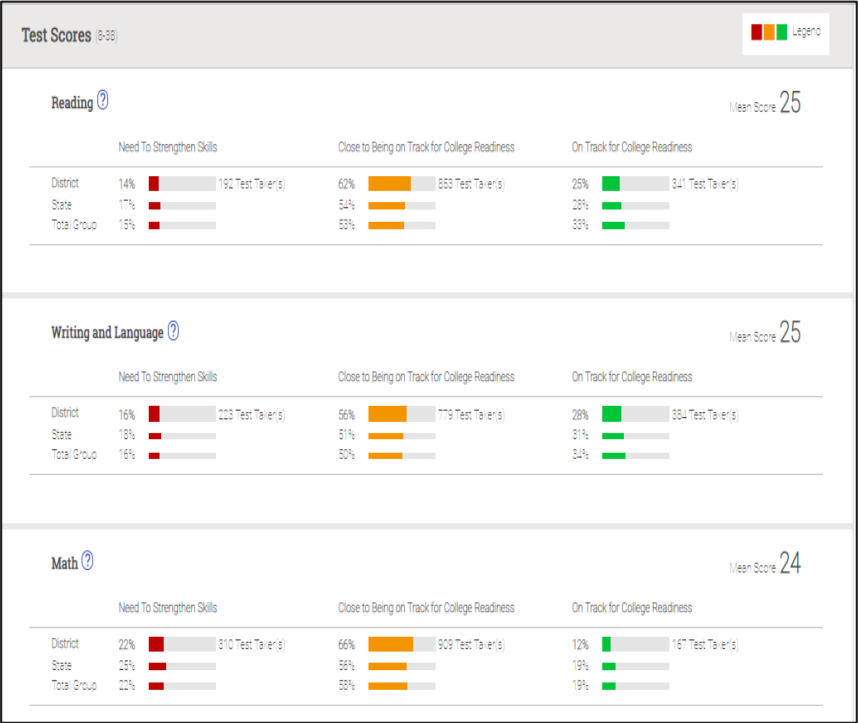


Step 3: Review your school's score data in the [K-12 Score Reporting Portal](https://k12reports.collegeboard.org), available at k12reports.collegeboard.org. The perfect way to get started with these skills is to see where your students are strong and where they need improvement.

- The instructional planning report may be used to pinpoint areas of strength and areas for growth in lesson planning and curriculum improvement.
- In the report, an educator will see benchmark data, including college and career readiness in Math and Evidence-Based Reading and Writing.
- Educators will also see color-coded test scores and subscore ranges showing which skills your students have mastered and which ones they need to strengthen.

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Instructional Planning Report




Step 3 (cont.):

Review the *Instructional Planning Report*. Note average test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores. Look for the percent of students who need to strengthen their skills for each subscore, and select an area of focus in your classroom. The *Question Analysis Report* shows you which questions related to each subscore and cross-test score students in your school found most difficult.

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Curriculum Review Worksheets

Step 4: Work through the Curriculum Review Worksheets with your colleagues. You’ve already reviewed the mean test scores for your school. Now see the level of performance your students demonstrate in each domain. Read through the skills at each level, and identify where they’re included (or not included) in the curriculum to highlight adjustments your department may need to make.



SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section
Curriculum Review Worksheets

Introduction

This set of curriculum review worksheets is designed to help you

- understand many of the skills and knowledge that are assessed on the SAT Suite of Assessments Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section;
- review student performance;
- identify skills and knowledge that need additional instruction and support; and
- develop a plan for implementation.

The Curriculum Review Worksheets contain a set of tables addressing most of the skills and knowledge assessed on the SAT Suite Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section. Each table includes description of a skill or knowledge (or broader knowledge/skill area, such as sentence structure) and provides a structure to guide you as you evaluate the place of that skill or knowledge in your curriculum.

Each skill/knowledge table includes the following elements:

1. The name and definition of the skill or knowledge (or skill/knowledge area)
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3. An indication of which SAT Suite [subscore\(s\)](#) the skill or knowledge is associated with
4. A series of statements describing the ways in and extent to which students scoring in various score ranges on the Writing and Language Tests (e.g., 20–24) are typically able to demonstrate attainment of the skill or knowledge, and spaces where you can indicate which of these statements best reflects your students' general level of attainment

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Subscores

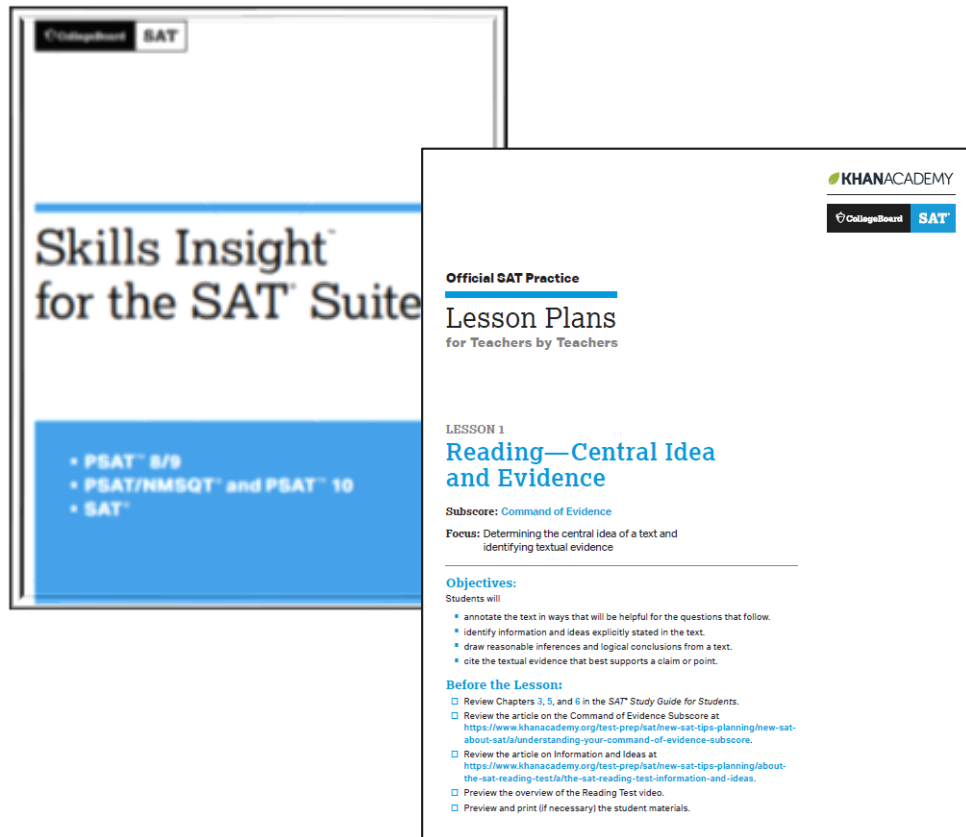
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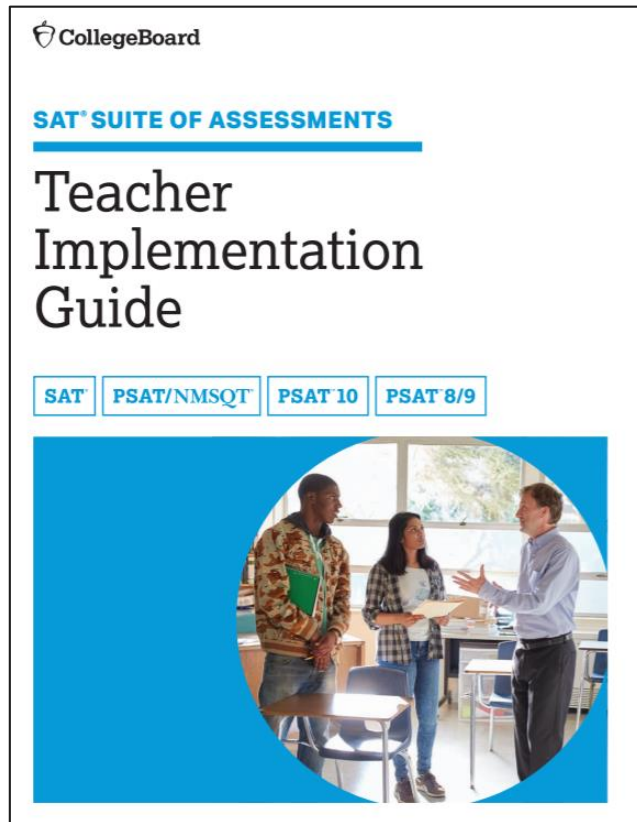
Skills Insight Official SAT Practice Lesson Plans



Step 5: Review sample lessons and strategies. Check [Skills Insight for the SAT Suite](#) to investigate the Suggestions for Improvement to advance to the next score range, and include some of them in your lessons. Review [Official SAT Practice Lesson Plans](#), which use resources such as [Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®](#) to foster a classroom experience that leads to independent practice. In addition, the [Teacher Implementation Guide](#) suggests instructional strategies to include in your lessons. Used with your expertise, these sample lessons and strategies can enhance your teaching practice.

Step 6: Continue to measure student progress. You've already noted the current mean scores on the SAT Suite of Assessments. As you include passages and questions in your formative and summative assessments, track student progress.

General Instructional Strategies



Instructional Strategies for Reading:

- Require students to practice reading and analyzing extended passages of text at varied levels of text complexity. The Reading Test passages span a range of difficulty from early high school to early postsecondary (college-entry, credit-bearing) levels of reading.
- Use multiple reading passages to explore ideas in both fiction and nonfiction, giving students the opportunity to practice analysis and synthesis of texts.
- Include graphs, tables, and charts in reading assignments. The Reading Test includes two passages accompanied by one or two related informational graphics. Students will be asked to interpret graphics and make connections between graphics and passages. (They will not need to use mathematical computation to answer the questions.)

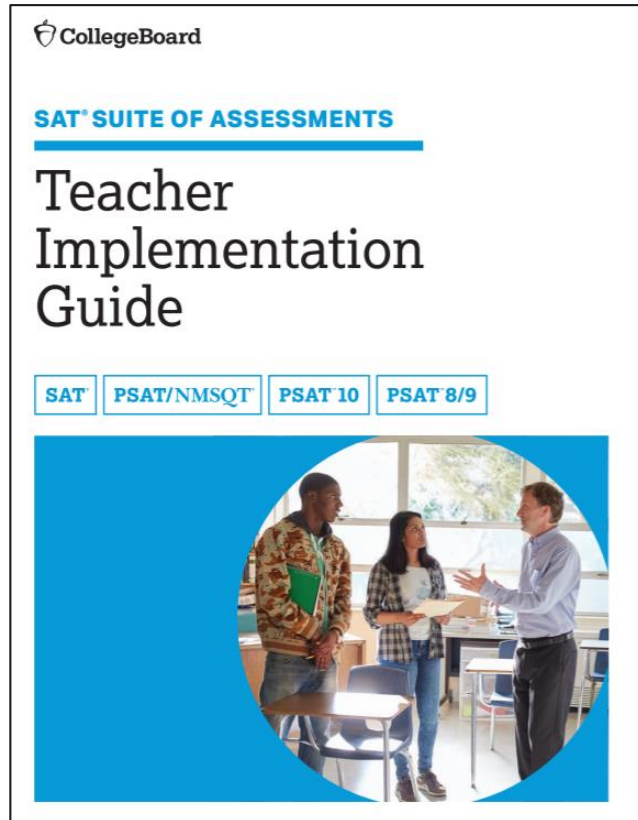
General Instructional Strategies

Instructional Strategies for Reading (continued):

- Ask students to investigate the way authors use word choice, structure, and other techniques to create a desired effect in both fiction and nonfiction passages.
- Direct students to analyze history and social studies passages from the U.S. founding documents and texts in the great global conversation. Reading selections from such texts helps prepare students for the rigors of making meaning from challenging, often abstract texts on serious topics such as rights, duties, and freedoms.
- All of the information needed to answer the associated Reading Test questions is found in the passages themselves—the test does not assume that students will have read these passages previously. When useful, a historical note will be provided to contextualize the reading for students.



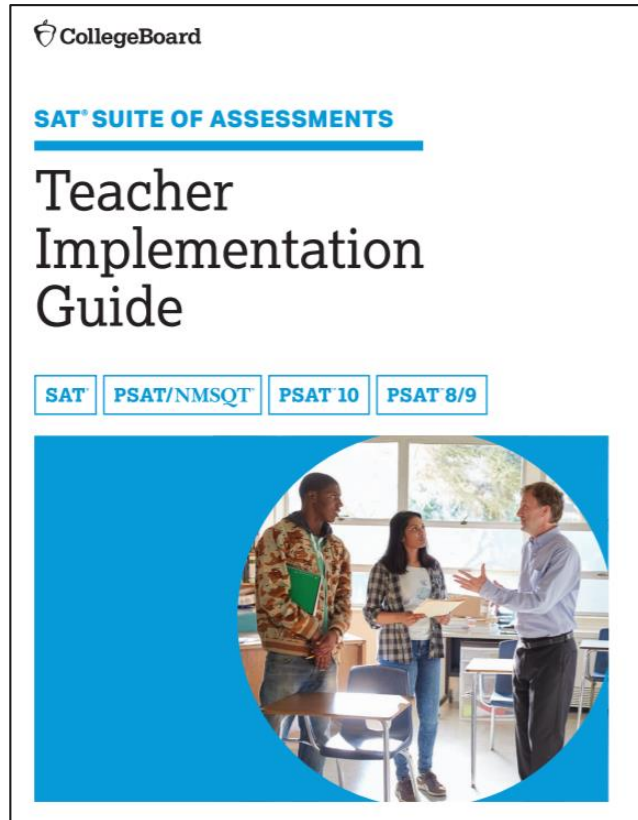
Skill Building Strategies



Skill Building Strategies for Reading:

- Assign a range of reading passages that includes some longer and more difficult selections, and provide students with needed scaffolding and support so that they can develop the needed independence in reading such pieces.
- Select a particularly meaningful or powerful word or phrase from a reading selection, and then substitute another word or phrase of similar meaning.
- Discuss how it is uncommon for two words or phrases to have exactly the same impact, nuance, or connotation even when they have similar dictionary definitions.
- When reading literature passages, primary sources, or current event publications, ask students to use the SOAPSTone (Speaker, Occasion, Audience, Purpose, Subject, Tone) method to analyze the text.

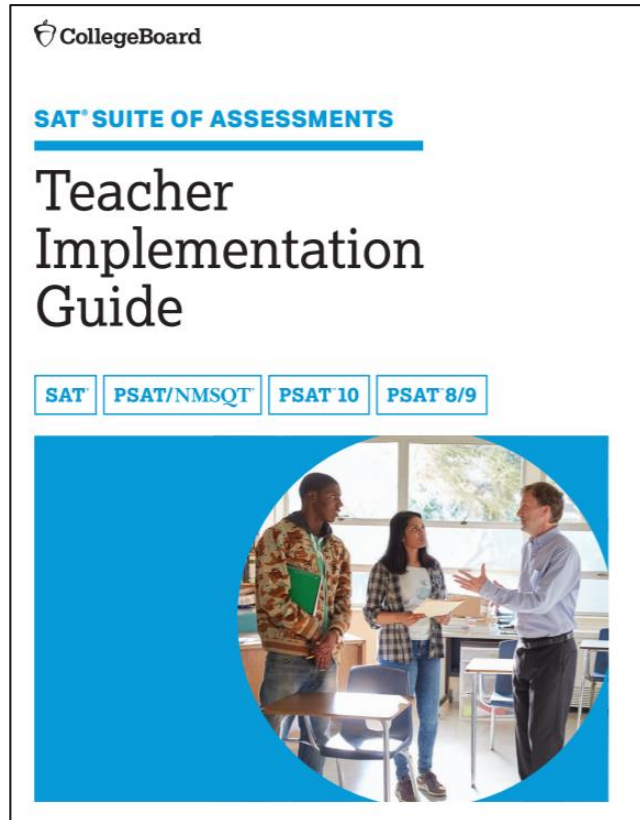
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Skill Building Strategies for Reading (continued):

- Ask students to write questions that investigate understanding of a lesson or unit.
- Ask students to practice identifying meaningful and relevant information in order to create high-quality questions for their peers to answer.
- Require students to provide supporting evidence when answering peers' questions.
- Ask students to identify similarities and differences in multiple passages.
- Ask students to locate and present additional texts that support an author's conclusion and to defend their choices by citing textual evidence (e.g., quotations) from the additional texts. This allows students to practice both synthesizing and supporting their ideas with evidence.

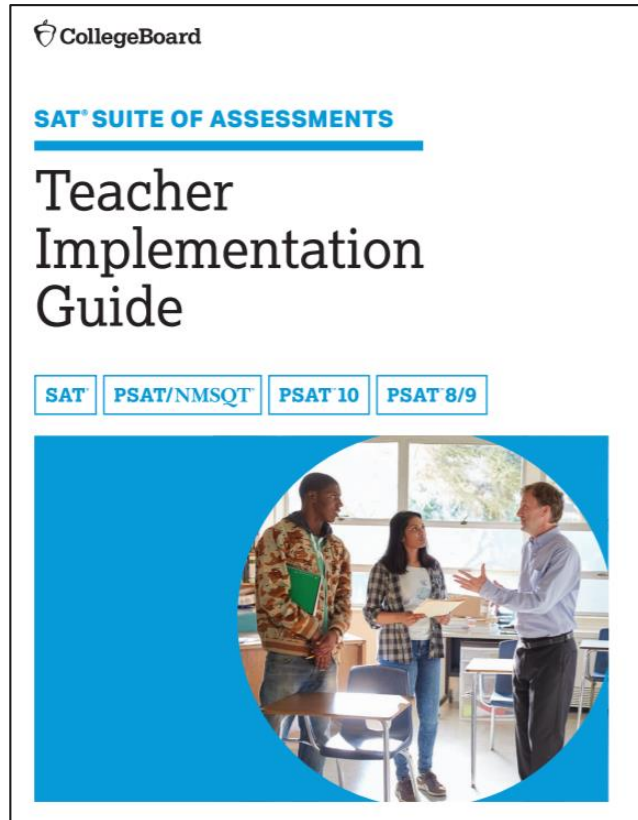
General Instructional Strategies



Instructional Strategies for Writing and Language:

- Instruct students to provide quotations from passages, data from graphs, tables, or charts, or other relevant text as evidence to support conclusions in class discussions and on assignments.
- Teach students in all classes to practice writing and language analysis skills—effective language use, expression of ideas, and the proper use of Standard English Conventions—to develop their analyses of social studies, science, and career-related passages.
- Practice revising and editing during class by asking students to refine their own work, as well as the work of their peers, to build analysis skills related to grammatical conventions, word choice, and sentence structure in extended contexts.
- Give students the opportunity to correct mistakes, both in carefully constructed errors you provide and in their own work. They will be asked to make corrections in word choice, conventions of usage and punctuation, organization, sentence structure, and analysis of graphical data on the SAT Suite of Assessments.

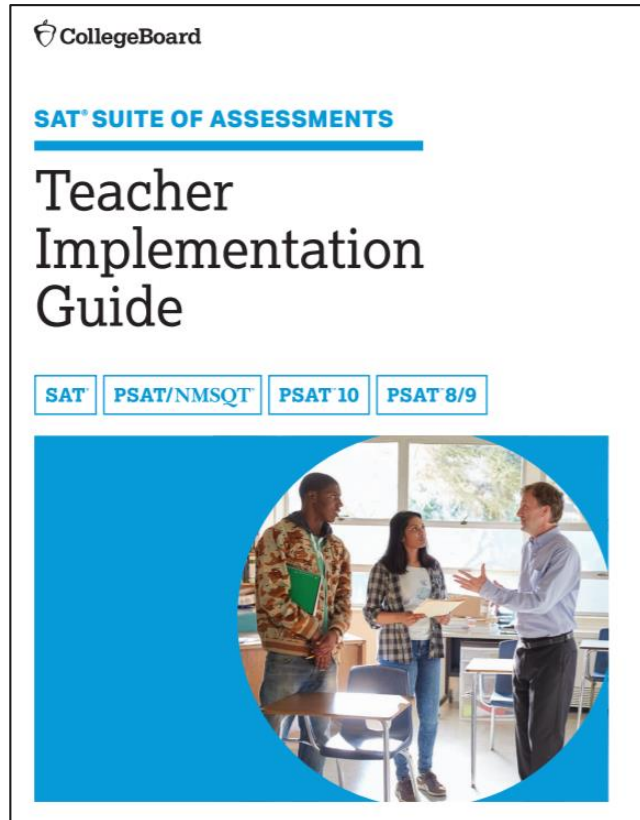
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Skill Building Strategies for Writing and Language:

- Peer editing can be an important part of the writing process and a useful teaching and learning activity for both the writer and the editor.
- Provide students with a reading passage containing several sentences in need of correction. Ask students to improve the sentences, focusing their attention on the context of the errors, their effect on the sentence, and the meaning of the sentence within the passage.
- After students make corrections, ask them to explain their reasoning. Students are thus simultaneously practicing using language conventions and supporting their answers with evidence.

Skill Building Strategies



Skill Building Strategies for Writing and Language (continued):

- Encourage students to attend to errors in the application of Standard English Conventions. Use released student essay samples from the College Board to practice analyzing text for strength of proposition, support, focus, and effective language use.
- Ask students to review text messages and then correct grammatically incomplete sentences, problems with end-of-sentence punctuation and punctuation within sentences, and cases of nonstandard expression (when words and phrases are used in a way not typical of Standard Written English) according to Standard English Conventions. Discuss how these changes influence the tone and meaning of the messages.
- Familiarize students with the analysis of data, graphs, and charts in conjunction with text. Using the informational graphics in a textbook or periodical, provide students with inaccurate interpretations of data and ask them to correct the error(s).
- Have them explicitly describe the data they used to make each correction.

Math Folder



Math Folder Resources

Test Specifications

Here's how to get the most out of the resources included in the Math folder:

Step 1: Review the [SAT Math Test Specifications](#) in a department meeting. Talk with your colleagues about each skill/knowledge listed. Discuss the following questions:

- Are there any skills or knowledge that aren't included in your Math curriculum?
- Which five skills will your students apply effectively on the SAT?
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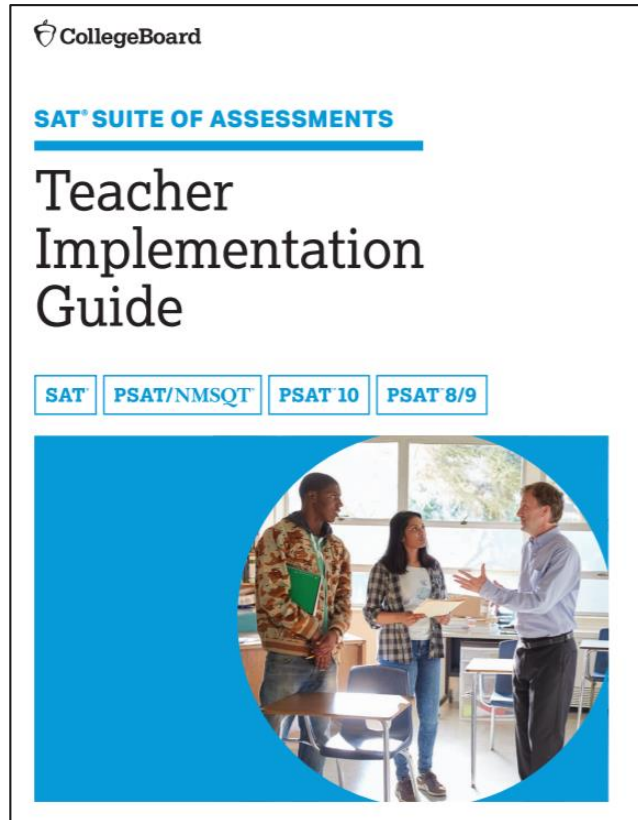
SAT PROBLEM SOLVING AND DATA ANALYSIS DOMAIN	
Content Dimension	Description
Ratios, rates, proportional relationships, and units	<p>Items will require students to solve problems by using a proportional relationship between quantities, calculating or using a ratio or rate, and/or using units, derived units, and unit conversion.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Apply proportional relationships, ratios, rates, and units in a wide variety of contexts. Examples include but are not limited to scale drawings and problems in the natural and social sciences.2. Solve problems involving<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. derived units, including those that arise from products (e.g., kilowatt-hours) and quotients (e.g., population per square kilometer);b. unit conversion, including currency exchange and conversion between different measurement systems.3. Understand and use the fact that when two quantities are in a proportional relationship, if one changes by a scale factor, then the other also changes by the same scale factor.
Percentages	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Use percentages to solve problems in a variety of contexts. Examples include, but are not limited to, discounts, interest, taxes, tips, and percent increases and decreases for many different quantities.2. Understand and use the relationship between percent change and growth factor (5% and 1.05, for example); include percentages greater than or equal to 100%.
One-variable data: distributions and measures of center and spread	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Choose an appropriate graphical representation for a given data set.2. Interpret information from a given representation of data in context.3. Analyze and interpret numerical data distributions represented with frequency tables, histograms, dot plots, and boxplots.4. For quantitative variables, calculate, compare, and interpret mean, median, and range. Interpret (but don't calculate) standard deviation.5. Compare distributions using measures of center and spread, including distributions with different means and the same standard deviations and ones with the same mean and different standard deviations.6. Understand and describe the effect of outliers on mean and median.7. Given an appropriate data set, calculate the mean.
Two-variable data: models and scatterplots	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Using a model that fits the data in a scatterplot, compare values predicted by the model to values given in the data set.2. Interpret the slope and intercepts of the line of best fit in context.3. Given a relationship between two quantities, read and interpret graphs and tables modeling the relationship.4. Analyze and interpret data represented in a scatterplot or line graph; fit linear, quadratic, and exponential models.5. Select a graph that represents a context, identify a value on a graph, or interpret information on the graph.6. For a given function type (linear, quadratic, exponential), choose the function of that type that best fits given data.7. Compare linear and exponential growth.8. Estimate the line of best fit for a given scatterplot; use the line to make predictions.

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Teacher Implementation Guide

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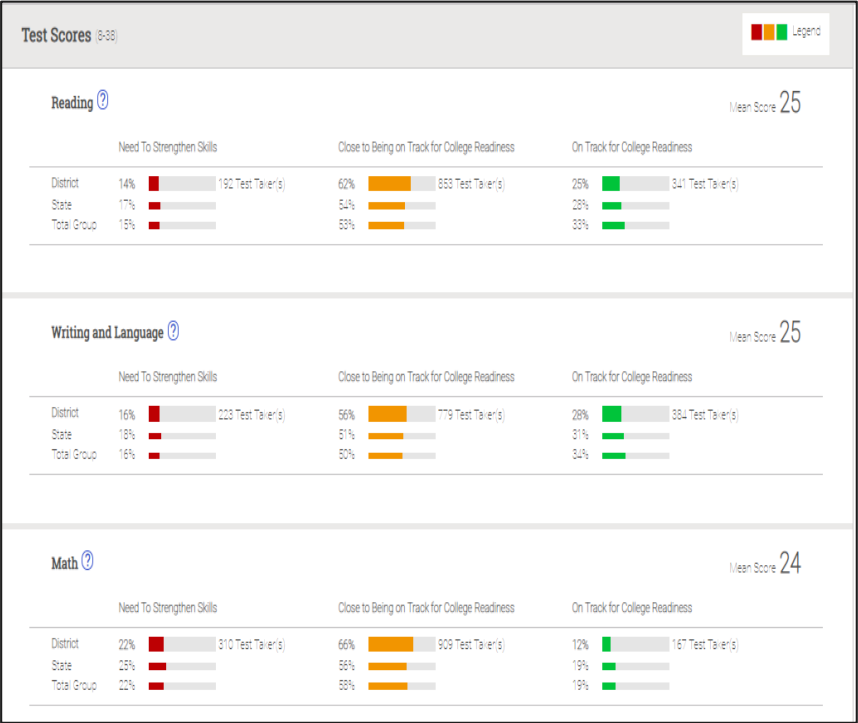
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Curriculum Review Worksheets

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SAT® Math Test
Curriculum Review Worksheets

Introduction

Curriculum Review Worksheets are designed to help you

- understand many of the skills and knowledge that are assessed on the SAT Suite of Assessments Math Tests;
- review student performance;
- identify skills and knowledge that need additional instruction and support; and
- develop a plan for implementation.

The curriculum review worksheets consist of a set of tables addressing most of the skills and knowledge assessed on the SAT Suite Math Tests. Each table includes description of a skill or knowledge and provides a structure to guide you as you evaluate the place of that skill or knowledge in your curriculum.

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1. The name and definition of the skill or knowledge (or knowledge/skills area)
2. Questions guiding you to consider the place of the skill or knowledge in your curriculum
3. An indication of which SAT Suite subscore(s) the skill or knowledge is associated with
Definitions of the subscores appear below.
4. A series of statements describing the ways in and extent to which students scoring in various score ranges on the Math Test (e.g., 20–24) are typically able to demonstrate attainment of the skill or knowledge, and spaces where you can indicate which of these statements best reflects your students' general level of attainment

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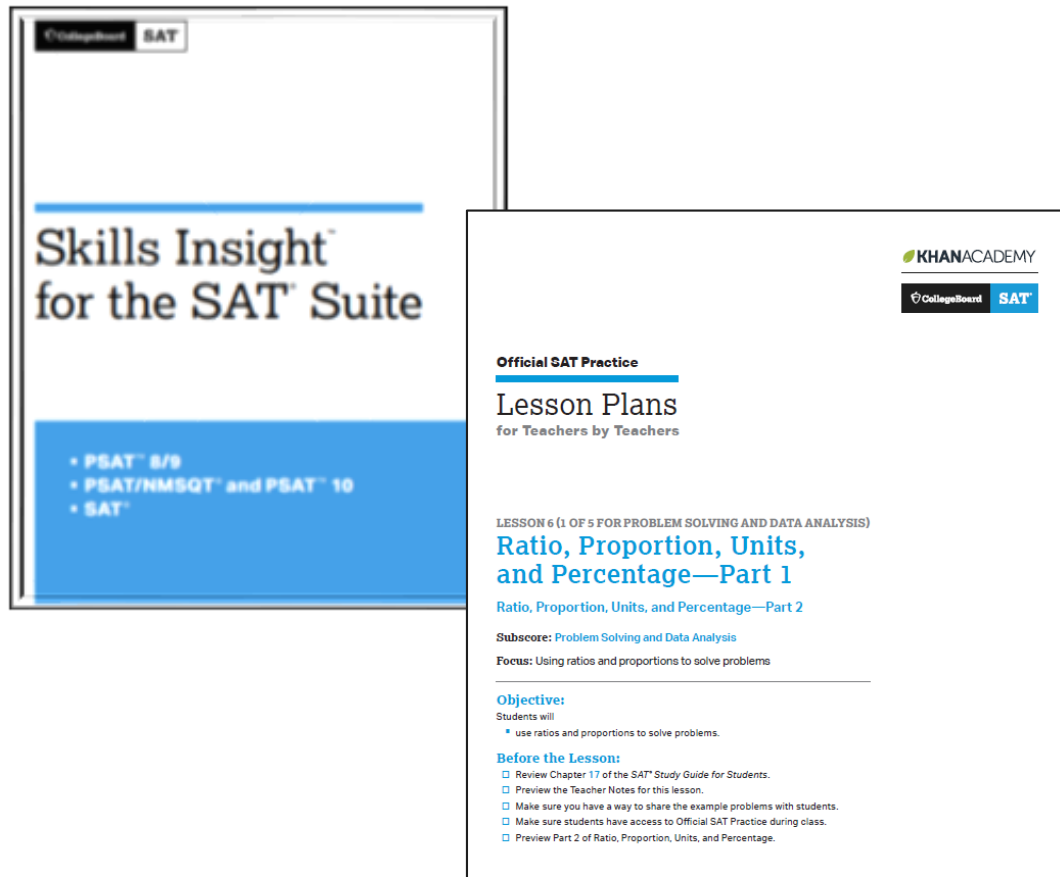
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To use these worksheets, please review the following resources:

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- District/school curriculum maps
- Released SAT practice tests
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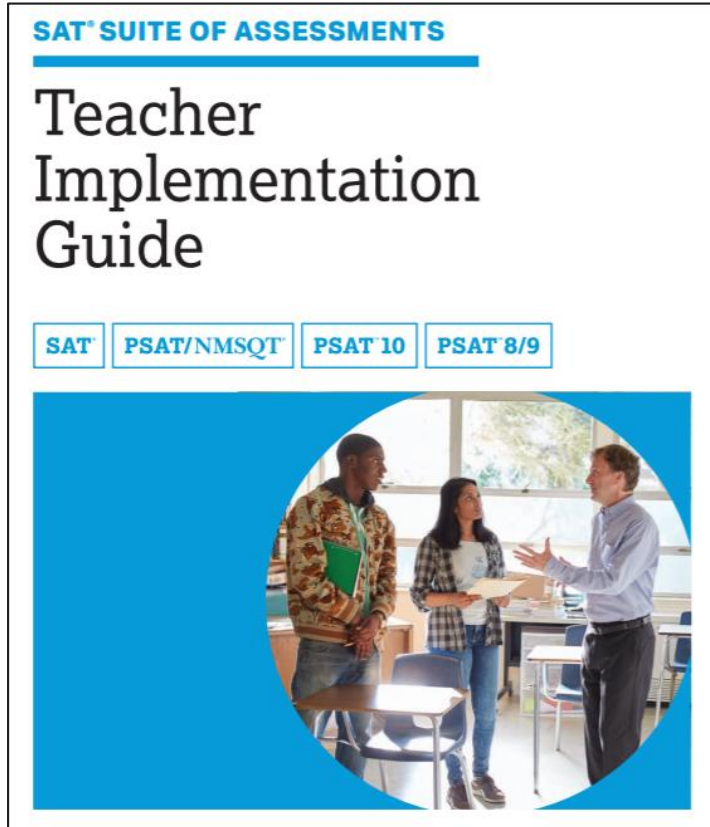
Skills Insight Official SAT Practice Lesson Plans



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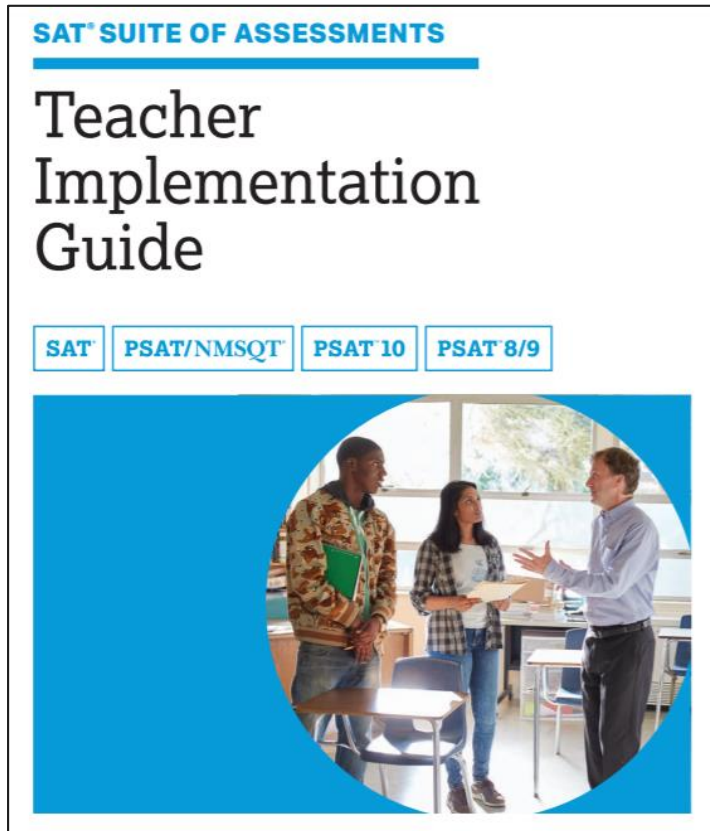
General Math Strategies



Instructional Strategies for Math:

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- Encourage students to express quantitative relationships in meaningful words and sentences to support their arguments and conjectures.
- Separate students into small working groups. Ask them to discuss how to arrive at solutions.
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Math: Skill-Building Strategies



Skill-Building Strategies for Math:

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- Facilitate discussions in which students communicate their own thinking and critique the reasoning of others as they work toward a solution.
- Ask open-ended questions.
- Direct students' attention to real-world situations to provide context for the problem.

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Social Studies Guide

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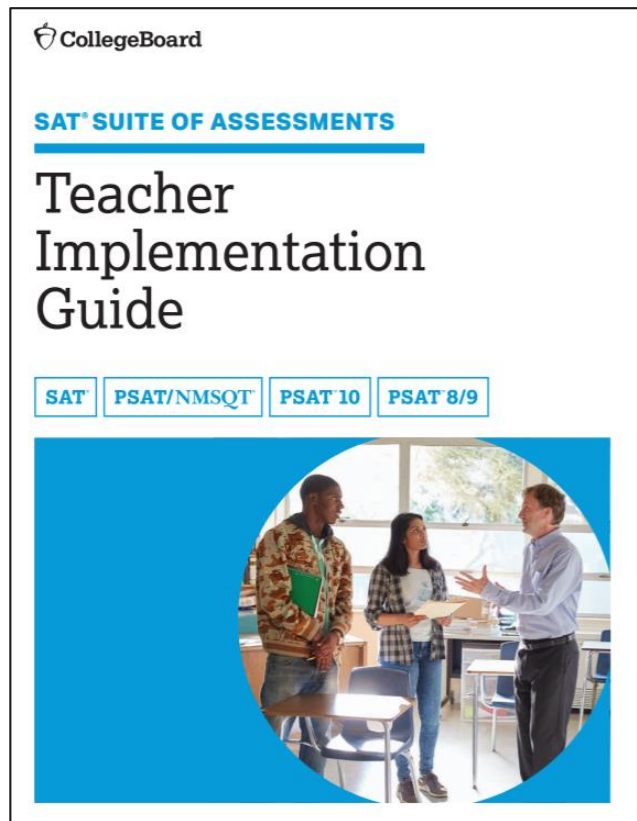
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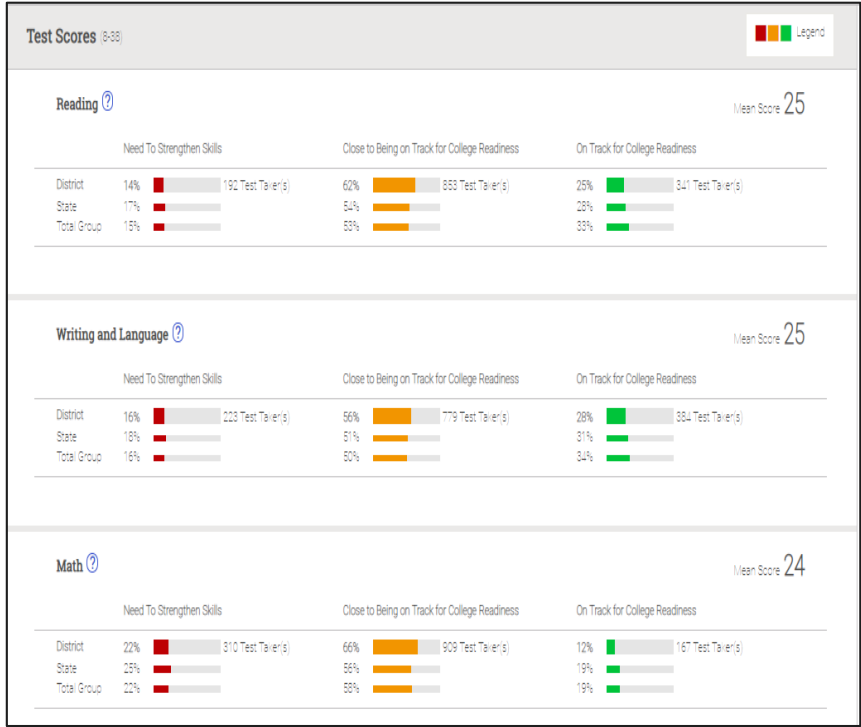
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Official SAT Practice Lesson Plans Essay Rubric



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Lesson Plans

for Teachers by Teachers

LESSON 11

Reading—Quantitative Texts

Subscore: Command of Evidence

Focus: Analyzing quantitative texts on the Reading Test

Objective:
Students will analyze information presented quantitatively and connect that information to the ideas presented in a print text.

Before the Lesson:

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SAT ESSAY RUBRIC

	Reading	Analysis	Writing
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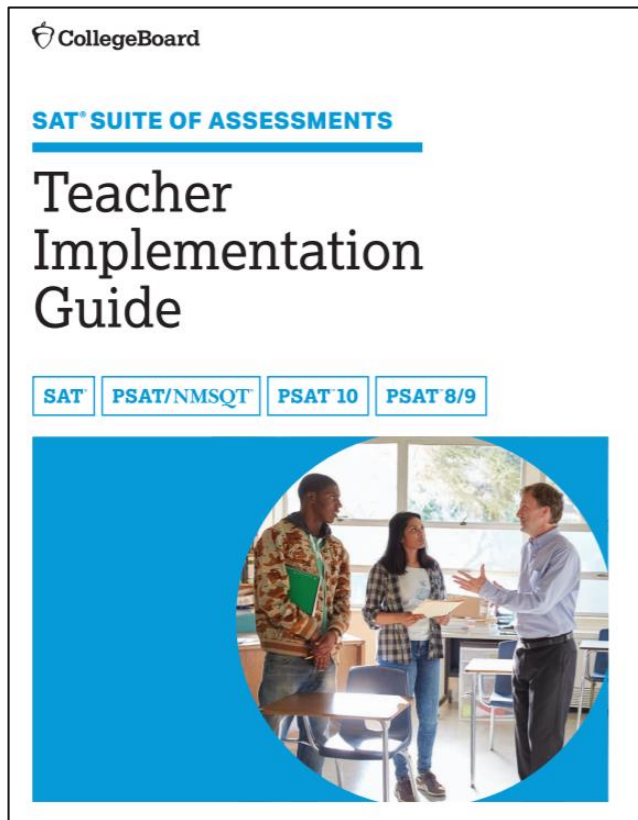
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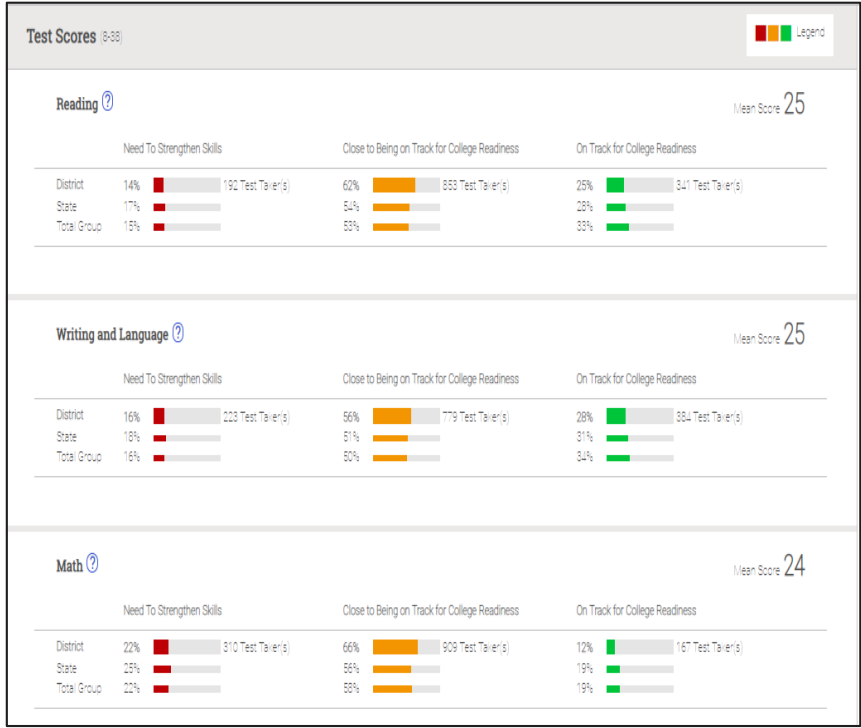
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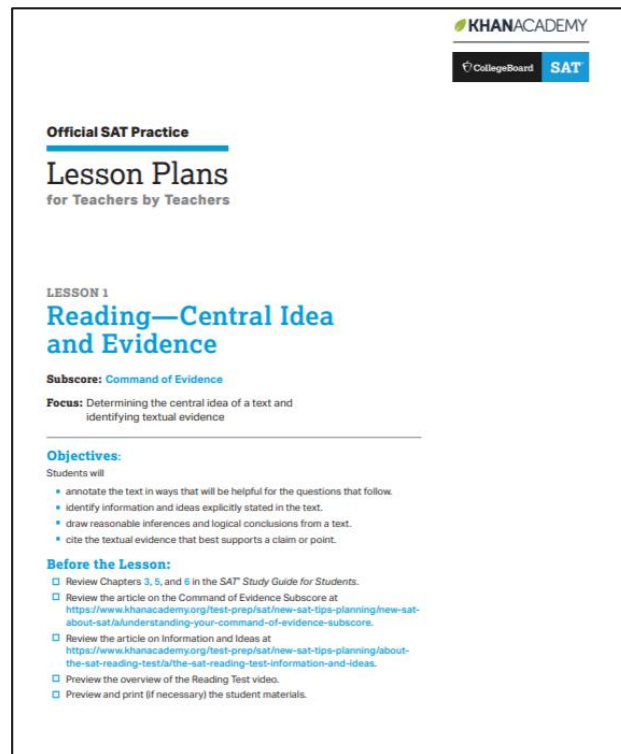
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