ARITHMETIC ACE

Organized, Goal-Directed, Targeted

You have a powerful foundation in Math skills which, with **goal-directed** study and sustained focus, you can develop even further to conquer almost any math question you encounter. With less than 5 hours per week for study, your study plan will help you **organize** your schedule and **target** the most important concepts for test day, while also giving you the foundation you need in Verbal.

How to Use Your Study Plan: The study plan below is based on your results, with your areas of opportunity on the left side of each week's plan and your areas of strength toward the right. Each week, the Recommended chapters cover the topics that are worth the most points on the SAT, so be sure to prioritize those items. To make your prep as efficient as possible, choose Optional items that best fit your study needs and schedule. If you fall behind or don't have 8 full weeks to study, be sure to prioritize the Recommended items. Happy prepping!



WEEK 1

Format of the SAT

Knowing what to expect on each section of the SAT will give you confidence on test day—you'll have no surprises about what types of questions you'll be asked.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Become comfortable with the structure of the SAT
- Learn the Methods for the Reading and Writing and Language sections of the test

Overall Study	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended: Chapter 1: Inside the SAT	Recommended: Chapter 13: The SAT Reading Method	Recommended: Chapter 17: The Method for SAT Writing and Language
	Optional: Online Video: The Method for SAT Reading Questions	Optional: Online Video: The Method for SAT Writing and Language Questions



WEEKS 2-3

Highest-Yield Topics

Let's cut right to the chase: some topics are tested on the SAT more heavily than others. That means that mastering those topics has the potential to earn you a ton of points on test day.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Study the highest point yield topics in Math and Writing and Language
- Master the foundations of strategic Reading

Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Chapter 14: SAT Reading Passage Strategies Chapter 18: Spotting and Fixing Errors Sentence Structure The Basics Commas, Dashes, and Colons	Recommended: Chapter 3: The Method for SAT Math Questions	
	☐ The Basics☐ Commas, Dashes, and	Optional: Online Video: The Method for SAT Math Questions



Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Chapter 15: SAT Reading Question Types	Recommended: Chapter 18: Spotting and Fixing Errors Agreement Verbs Pronouns	Recommended: Chapter 4: Linear Equations and Graphs
	Optional: Online Chapter: The Method for the SAT Essay (If you're unsure about whether to take the essay on test day, check out the section Should I Write the SAT Essay?)	Optional: Chapter 5: Systems of Equations Chapter 6: Inequalities

WEEKS 4-6

Areas of Opportunity and Practice Test

Now it's time to dig into some challenging topics. You can do this! Your goal is not to learn everything about, say, geometry or punctuation, but rather to learn the most commonly-tested SAT concepts and to familiarize yourself with questions in that category.

It's also time for some authentic practice. Taking a Practice Test under real test-like conditions is the best way to solidify what you've learned and to practice test-taking strategies. Plus, your results will help you make a plan for your remaining weeks until test day.

Tips for Taking Practice Tests:

Make the Practice Test count! Time yourself, eliminate distractions, and use your test-taking strategies (see Chapter 1), just as you would for the real test. Practice using the Methods for each test section (Math, Reading, and Writing and Language) on every question—even if doing so takes more time now, practicing will improve your speed so the Methods are second nature on the real test day.

After finishing the Practice Test, it is vital that you *review your results*. Dig into each question—think not only about why you got a question correct or incorrect but also about whether you approached the question strategically. For each question, ask yourself: What can I learn about this type of question? After reviewing, use your test results to help you plan what to study until test day.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Improve your performance on your areas of opportunity on each section of the test
- Take a Practice Test
- Review the Practice Test



Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Chapter 16: Answering SAT Reading Questions	Recommended: Chapter 18: Spotting and Fixing Errors Agreement Modifiers Idioms	Recommended: Chapter 7: Rates, Ratios, Proportions, and Percents Optional: Chapter 8: Tables, Statistics, and Probability Chapter 9: Scatterplots

Overall Study	Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Practice Test 1 (in-book) with optional essay Review Practice Test 1	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results



Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Choose one chapter: Online Chapter: Paired Passages —OR— Online Chapter: Literature Passages	Recommended: Online Chapter: Spotting and Fixing Issues Development Precision Relevance Revising Text Introductions and Conclusions	Recommended: Chapter 10: Functions
	Optional: Online Chapter: Spotting and Fixing Issues Organization Conciseness Transitions Sentence Placement Graphs	Optional: Chapter 11: Exponents, Radicals, Polynomials, and Rational Expressions Chapter 12: Quadratics

WEEKS 7-8

Strengths Focus

You've worked so hard! A few weeks left, but you are well-situated for success. Now things get kind of fun: take those topics you're awesome at, and get more awesome at them before test day! Celebrate your successes and take this opportunity to get even better. You'll also learn section management strategies for each section of the SAT and take one last Practice Test about a week before your test date. As usual, take the time to dig into your results. Finally, do some light practice leading up to the big day.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Focus on your strongest topics to build confidence for test day
- Learn section management strategies for each section of the SAT
- Take a Practice Test, about a week before your scheduled test day
- Do light practice until test day



Overall Study	Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Chapter 19: Countdown to Test Day	Recommended: Online Chapter: SAT Reading Timing Section Management	Recommended: Online Chapter: SAT Writing and Language Timing Section Management	Recommended: Online Chapter: Geometry
	Optional: Online Chapter: SAT Reading How Much Have You Learned?	Optional: Online Chapter: SAT Writing and Language How Much Have You Learned?	Optional: Online Chapter: Trigonometry Online Chapter: Imaginary Numbers

Overall Study	Reading	Writing and Language	Math
Recommended: Practice Test 2 (online) with optional essay Review Practice Test 2	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results	Recommended: Online Chapter: SAT Math Timing and Triage Try On Your Own Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results

Congratulations! You've put in the **organized, goal-directed,** and **targeted** effort to complete your review of the SAT, following the way of the **Arithmetic Ace**. Feel confident in your expert preparation!