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Purposeful, Methodical, Comprehensive

By resolving to get an early start on your SAT preparation, you're taking a **comprehensive** approach and no section, subject, or question type is out of reach for you. Even with time on your side, you'll need a **purposeful** and **methodical** study plan to conquer the entire exam. Start practicing now so that, by test day, you'll be indomitable.

How to Use Your Study Plan: The study plan below is based on your results. 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 12 full weeks to study, be sure to prioritize the Recommended items. Happy prepping!

WEEKS 1-2 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. You will take a full Practice Test during these weeks; take the time to carefully review your results to give yourself an idea of where you stand on each section of the test.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Become comfortable with the structure of the SAT
- Take a diagnostic Practice Test
- Learn the Kaplan Methods for each test section

Overall Study	Math
Recommended: Practice Test 1 (in-book) Review Practice Test 1 Chapter 1: Inside the SAT	Recommended: Chapter 3: The Method for SAT Math Questions Optional: Chapter 2: Prerequisite Skills and Calculator Use Online Video: The Method for SAT Math Questions

Math	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended: Chapter 4: Linear Equations and Graphs	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 3-5 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 and learn strategies for every Reading question type

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Math	Reading	Writing and Language
 <u>Recommended:</u> Choose <u>one</u> chapter: Chapter 5: Systems of Equations <i>—OR</i>— Chapter 6: Inequalities 	Recommended: Chapter 14: SAT Reading Passage Strategies	 Recommended: Chapter 18: Spotting and Fixing Errors Sentence Structure The Basics Commas, Dashes, and Colons
Optional: Additional Chapter: 5 or 6		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?)

Math	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended: Chapter 7: Rates, Ratios, Proportions, and Percents	Recommended: Chapter 15: SAT Reading Question Types	Recommended: Chapter 18: Spotting and Fixing Errors
Optional: Additional Chapter: 5 or 6		Agreement Urbs Pronouns

Math	Reading	Writing and Language
 <u>Recommended:</u> Choose <u>one</u> chapter: Chapter 8: Tables, Statistics, and Probability — OR— Chapter 9: Scatterplots 	Recommended: Chapter 16: Answering SAT Reading Questions	Recommended: Chapter 18: Spotting and Fixing Errors Agreement Modifiers
Optional: Additional Chapter: 5, 6, 8, or 9		Idioms

WEEKS 6-7 Areas of Opportunity

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.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Improve your performance on your areas of opportunity in Math
- Improve your performance on your areas of opportunity in Writing and Language
- Expand your Reading skills by learning strategies for special passage types: Paired Passages and Literature

Week 6	
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Math	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended: Chapter 10: Functions Optional: Chapter 11: Exponents, Radicals, Polynomials, and Rational Expressions	Recommended: Online Chapter: Paired Passages	Recommended:Image: Online Chapter: Spotting and Fixing Issues Organization Image: Conciseness

Math	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended:Image: Chapter 12: QuadraticsOptional:Image: Additional Chapter: 5, 6, 8, 9, or11	Recommended: Online Chapter: Literature Passages	Recommended: Choose chapter(s) to review based on your areas of opportunity

<u>WEEK 8</u> Practice Test

You've worked hard and learned a lot over the previous weeks! Now, put that study to work on 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 this week, you'll:

- Take a Practice Test
- Review the Practice Test

Week 8

Overall Study

Recommended:

- □ **Practice Test 2** (online) with optional essay
- □ Review Practice Test 2

WEEKS 9-10 Section Management

Congratulations! Here's the payoff for the time you spent taking and reviewing your Practice Test in Week 8. Use those results to choose new chapters to study and previously completed chapters to review. Weeks 9 and 10 are your last opportunity to focus on areas you find particularly challenging, so plan accordingly. From now until test day, you'll focus more and more on consolidating your SAT knowledge and learning strategies for each section of the test.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Study your areas of opportunity as identified by your Practice Test results
- Begin learning section management strategies for each section of the SAT

Math	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended:	Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results	Recommended:Online Chapter: Spotting and Fixing Issues DevelopmentPrecisionPrecisionRelevanceRevising TextIntroductions and ConclusionsGraphs
Optional: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results		Optional: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results

Week 9

Math	Reading	Writing and Language
 <u>Recommended:</u> Online Chapter: SAT Math: Timing and Section Management Strategies Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results 	Recommended: Online Chapter: SAT Reading: Timing and Section Management Strategies	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results

WEEKS 11-12 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 finish learning section management strategies 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
- Take a Practice Test, about a week before your scheduled test day
- Do light practice until test day

Overall Study	Math	Writing and Language
Recommended: Chapter 19: Countdown to Test Day	Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on Practice Test results Optional: Choose one chapter: Online Chapter: Trigonometry -OR- Online Chapter: Imaginary Numbers	Recommended: Online Chapter: SAT Writing and Language: Timing and Section Management Strategies

Overall Study	Math	Reading	Writing and Language
Recommended: College Board Practice Test (online) with optional essay Review College Board Practice Test	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

Congratulations! You've put in the **purposeful**, **methodical** effort to complete your **comprehensive** review of the SAT, following the way of the **All-in Ace**. Feel confident in your expert preparation!