



SAT Prep Class: English

Learn Together Lowcountry | Fall 2025

GENERAL INFORMATION

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Meeting Time: Fridays 12:30–1:30 p.m.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed to help get your student ready to excel in the English section of the Digital SAT.

The course will familiarize the student with the logistics of the digital exam, as well as build confidence and sharpen critical skills.

Each session includes:

- Interpreting complex passages
- Targeted strategies for grammar and comprehension
- Vocabulary review and practice
- Group discussions and personalized feedback

Students will also learn pacing techniques, tackle unfamiliar vocabulary in context, and master strategies to avoid common test traps—all while completing practice tests at home.



COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to successfully navigate the 2025 digital version of the SAT. They will have a firm grasp of what makes up the English portion of the exam, as well as how to approach each question in order to do their best work. The end goal of the course is to significantly increase the likelihood of obtaining a desirable score.

CLASS STRUCTURE

In this course, the majority of our class time will be spent going over the text, troubleshooting from the students' own practice tests, and practicing portions of the test that present the most trouble for the class.

Students are expected to bring the following materials to class each week:

- Text: The Princeton Review® Digital SAT Prep 2025 (covered in the course fee)
- A separate notebook, dedicated to SAT Prep (can be used for both English and Math if necessary)
- At least three sharpened pencils/mechanical pencils with extra lead and a good eraser (Erasable pens in black or standard blue ink are also acceptable.)
- A pack of blank index cards for making vocabulary flashcards

At home, students will be asked to complete a practice test soon after our first class, to be emailed to me early the next week. This is critical, as the students' results will direct the class to a certain extent. There may be additional homework assigned based on what was covered in each class. I am always available via email as you have questions. I am looking forward to tackling the SAT with you!



COURSE SCHEDULE

| WEE K | LESSON | PAGES | ASSIGNMENT | DAT E |
|----------|---|---------|---|----------|
| 1 | Ch 4) Orientation: Basic principles of the digital SAT exam | 129-139 | Take practice test ASAP, email results to me at: lapour6hls@gmail.com | 9/5 |
| 2 | Ch 5) Reading and Writing Introduction Ch 6) The Reading Questions | 143-161 | | 9/12 |
| 3 | Ch 7) Reading Questions Types 1-3 | 163-172 | | 9/19 |
| 4 | Ch 8) Reading Questions Types 4-8 | 177-192 | | 9/26 |
| 5 | Ch 9) Advanced Reading Skills | 193-213 | | 10/3 |
| 6 | Ch 10) Comprehensive Reading Drill | 215-232 | | 10/17 |
| 7 | Ch 11) Intro to Rules Questions Ch 12) Rules: Complete Sentences | 227-244 | | 10/24 |
| 8 | Ch 13) Rules: Describing Phrases | 245-261 | | 10/31 |
| 9 | Ch 14) Rules: Linking Independent Clauses | 263-277 | | 11/7 |
| 10 | Ch 15) Rules: Dependent Clauses, Lists, and No Punctuation | 279-294 | | 11/14 |
| 11 | Ch 16) Rules: Grammar | 295-318 | | 11/21 |
| 12 | Ch 17) Rhetoric Questions | 319-336 | | 12/5 |