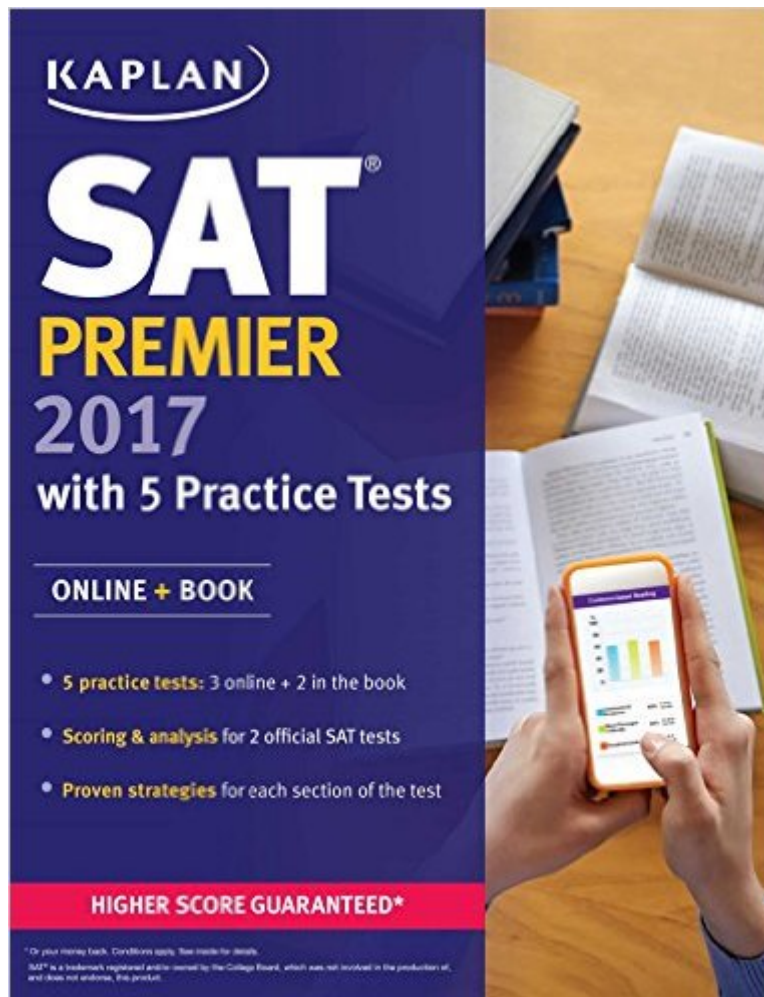


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Word of warning--the online tests included "with" this book are ONLY available online and cannot be retrieved in full (just question by question) or downloaded. When practicing to take a test, it is very

important to take it in the same format and the SAT is still a paper test, so making the majority of these practice tests only available online is counterintuitive to the process. I give 3 stars bc Kaplan has been useful in the past, and may report back once I've worked through the actual problems.

My son received PSAT results this past school year and did great with minimal prep. The downside is that the PSAT may be easier than SAT, so it's lulled him into believing a lot of prep isn't needed even though the SAT is not just a test of brains and scholastic ability- it's a test of preparation too. Many college bound students take high-priced review courses or get expensive tutors, but those resources are not accessible to everyone. This 2017 Kaplan SAT book + online resource is a relatively inexpensive alternative that seems to provide all the tools needed for most to be prepared and confident, so long as the student has the discipline to work through the materials. It's also a good way to discover areas of weakness so it can be determined in a more focused way what additional resources may be needed. At first glance, this 2017 Kaplan book seems a bit daunting at over 900 pages. But topics are broken down logically and in a manageable format. Also, it's not as long as it looks in that some pages aren't full of text, and text is large (and easy to read). The book is easy to follow and excellent (discussed below), though I think the added online resources are important too. The online access is provided for one year and makes prep more interactive and will decrease the boredom factor. Also, it's convenient as prep can be done anywhere on a portable device. It includes live, interactive online sessions done in real time (on set dates and times), three online SAT practice tests that generate a score report once taken to highlight weaknesses, two official SAT exams and other quizzes and videos. The book is quite comprehensive. It has two more practice exams with explanatory answers.\* This part of the book seems the most useful because my son can get practical experience and gain an understanding why he gets a wrong answer (so he won't repeat his mistakes). This Kaplan book also includes other helpful information- such as general information about the SAT and the optional essay, and test-taking strategies with concrete examples. The book also includes an easy to follow, substantive review on covered subjects with extra practice questions. For example, the math section reviews algebra, scatterplots, statistics, geometry (and more) followed by pertinent questions. The reading and writing discussion provides methods for reading comprehension and test taking techniques- such as using a "passage map" to find the right answer, ways to analyze rhetorical questions and a lot of other substantive information. Tips and reminders are found throughout the book. For example, it reminds the student that, in word choice questions, the correct answer "will always be in line with the author's overall purpose." (Pg. 404.) And there's so much more in the book than can't be covered in this review.

Suffice it to say, I think this 2017 Kaplan book + online guide is an excellent tool for SAT prep and success, and my own son will be using this book. I can't think of any downside to using this Kaplan SAT prep book and online materials- which seem well thought out and comprehensive. Highly recommended.\*Notably, I have a 2016 Kaplan SAT book that included one practice test in the book. The same test is included as one of the two tests in this 2017 version.

The new SAT is stirring discussion among students, parents, and the test preparation world. This book should answer all the questions people may have concerning the changes in the exam. This Kaplan book covers the new changes, and provides tips on how to adjust to the new formats, i.e., the four choice vs. five choice options, the more challenging (for most) reading selections. The most recent data shows average scores on the 'verbal' section having gone down. With a clear section for explanations, practice tests, and free online material, this book is definitely worth buying if you are the type or know the type of student that doesn't test well naturally. With decades of writing test prep books, it's not surprising that Kaplan would come out with a good product. Of course, it doesn't address whether the SAT is reliable or valid, but that's not their job. Their job is to help students improve their scores. This book probably won't help by itself -- as pretty much everyone in the test prep business will tell you -- but it can be a good part of your arsenal. However, one thing it won't do is improve a student's vocabulary, or train a student to 'decode' complex sentences in reading passages, or understand the subtle aspects of figuring out a properly punctuated sentence, which seems to be the trouble spots for even good high school students. As for the math part, it does provide enough math review that a student who has done well in algebra, geometry, and trigonometry should benefit.

This is a great resource for students preparing for the new SAT. Two-thirds of the book is dedicated to the strategies and subject reviews while the remaining one-third contains 2 practice tests with answers and explanations. You will learn practical strategies to prepare, study and take the test. You'll also get to review the subject materials and take the diagnostic test in order to identify the areas that you need to work on the most. There are only two printed practice tests in this book. Three additional practice tests are available online after registration. Overall, this is a solid prep guide. If you have a student preparing to take the SAT next year, this is a great book to invest in. I would also recommend getting the free official SAT practice tests from the College Board's website. Those tests are about as realistic as you can get and would help you assess your own readiness for the actual test.

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