

# THE NEW SAT:

## Exam Overview & Section Breakdown



### SECTION 1: READING

**Format:**

52 questions (4 long passages, 1 double)

**Time:**

65 minutes

**Content Changes:**

- ⊙ Longer passages
- ⊙ Less vocabulary
- ⊙ Graphs and charts
- ⊙ Founding Document/Global Conversation passage
- ⊙ “Find Your Evidence” questions

### SECTION 2: WRITING & LANGUAGE

**Format:**

44 questions (4 passages)

**Time:**

35 minutes

**Content Changes:**

- ⊙ Punctuation now tested
- ⊙ Questions have context
- ⊙ Graphs and charts

### SECTION 3: MATH *(no calculator)*

**Format:**

20 questions  
(15 multiple-choice questions,  
5 student-produced responses)

**Time:**

25 minutes

**Content Changes:**

- ⊙ No calculator for 34% of the exam
- ⊙ More algebra and data analysis
- ⊙ Higher-level math

### SECTION 4: MATH *(calculator)*

**Format:**

38 questions  
(30 multiple-choice questions,  
8 student-produced responses)

**Time:**

55 minutes

**Content Changes:**

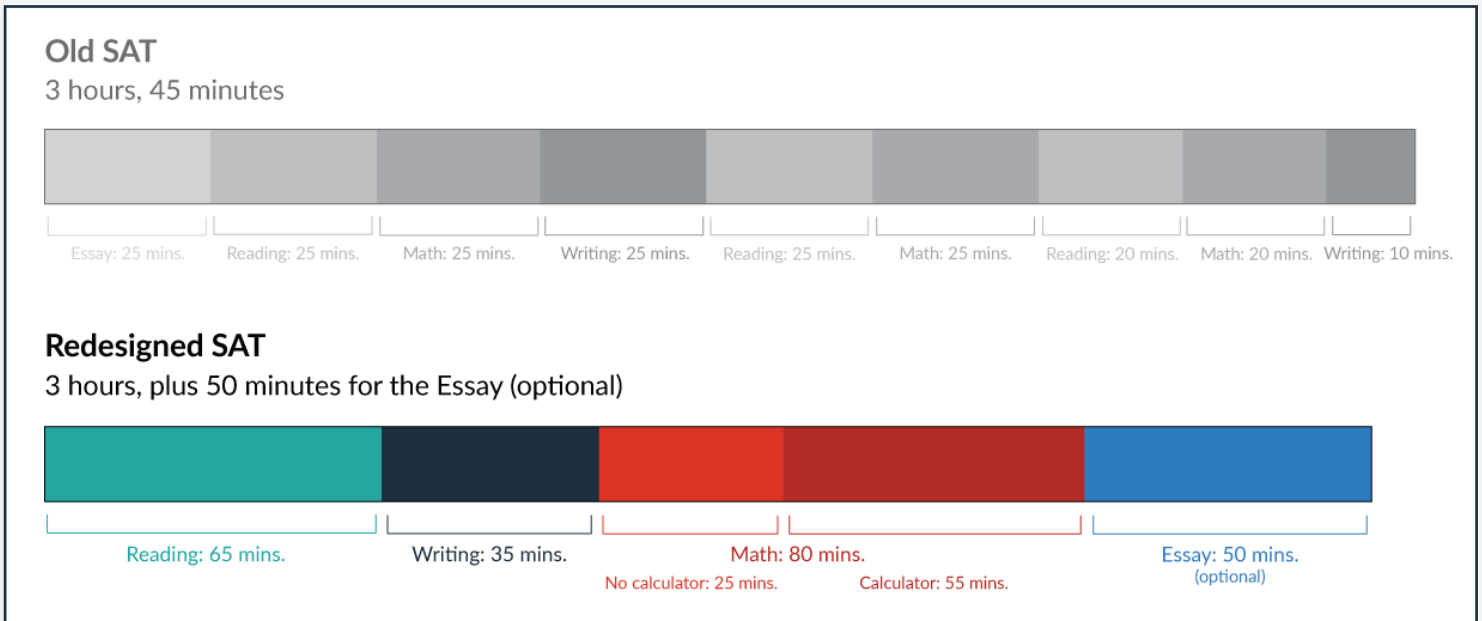
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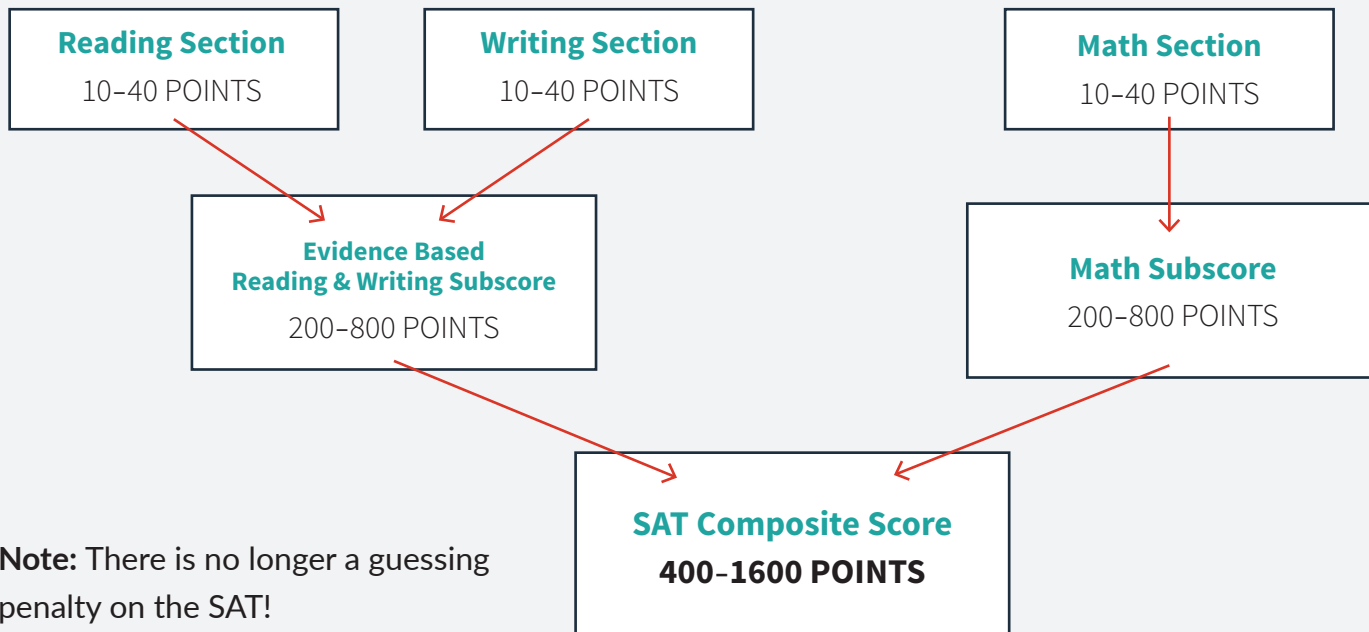
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### Timing



### Scoring



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### Section 5: The Essay (optional)

**Format:**

1 passage, 1 prompt

**Time:**

50 minutes

**What to expect:**

- ⊙ Must analyze how the author presents his/her argument
- ⊙ Discuss evidence used, diction, and style

### Essay Scoring

