

# Frequently Asked Questions

We've answered some frequently asked questions here to help you better understand what our partnership with Khan Academy is all about. You'll also find a few questions that describe how students can get started using Khan Academy to practice for their SATs. Remember that [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org) is your best resource for learning about the redesigned assessments, and [satpractice.org](http://satpractice.org) should be bookmarked as your one-stop-source for free, interactive SAT practice.

## Overview of Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy

### Q What is Khan Academy?

A Khan Academy is a nonprofit with a mission to provide a free, world-class education for anyone, anywhere. Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners of all ages to study at their own pace inside and outside the classroom.

### Q Why have the College Board and Khan Academy partnered?

A The College Board wanted to partner with an organization to help build out high-quality resources for all students to practice for our redesigned assessments. The partnership between Khan Academy and the College Board directly addresses one of the greatest inequities around college entrance exams: the culture of high-priced test preparation. Now, for the first time, all students will have the opportunity to practice for the SAT with completely free, best-in-class materials.

### Q Who created Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org?

A The full-length practice tests on Khan Academy were developed by the same College Board team that wrote the redesigned SAT, and all practice questions were created by Khan Academy in consultation with these developers. Khan Academy also created a brand-new system to provide personalized practice recommendations for students.

Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org will reflect the redesigned SAT's entire domain. This means that students will encounter all of the different skills measured by the redesigned SAT when practicing for the exam using Khan Academy.

### Q Who can use Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org?

A Khan Academy can be accessed by anyone, anytime, from any computer with Internet access. [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](http://OfficialSATPracticeonKhanAcademy.org) was designed to help students practice for the redesigned SAT and is completely free of cost.

Students can begin using [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](http://OfficialSATPracticeonKhanAcademy.org) in early June 2015. We will continue to enhance the program over the summer, so look for additional features in the fall.

**Q Which tests can Khan Academy help students study for?**

**A** Khan Academy's tools are being created to help students practice for the redesigned SAT, but students may also find the materials useful for PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 practice because of the close alignment between the exams.

It's also important to keep in mind that the best preparation for the SAT is learning and understanding the content and skills being taught in high school classes. The redesigned SAT will mirror the course work done in the classroom, so by focusing on mastering high school content, students can build the knowledge base needed to be successful on the test.

**Q Will using Khan Academy help students understand their strengths and weaknesses?**

**A** Yes. Because [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) includes personalized practice recommendations, the experience will be tailored to students' strengths and areas for development. The more students practice, the better the program will be at recommending materials with the greatest potential to boost student performance. Students will also be able to choose what topics they wish to work on in case they want to practice a different topic area or skill.

## Khan Academy's Technology, Equipment, and Privacy

**Q What devices can be used to access Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org?**

**A** Students will be able to access the practice program on any computer with Internet access.

**Q How can students use Khan Academy if they don't have a computer with Internet access?**

**A** There will be many opportunities to access Khan Academy, even for students who don't have a computer that has Internet access. Many places students regularly go have computers they can use: schools, libraries, places of worship, or friends' houses. Additionally, the College Board is engaged in a broad outreach effort with community groups like the Boys & Girls Clubs of America to support training and student SAT practice within students' neighborhoods. If students can't think of a place where they can access the Internet, school counselors should be able to help find a location.

The College Board is committed to making sure all students can access Khan Academy's free practice tools. We are working to partner with organizations to expand access to these tools and will continue to publish practice materials that students can download and print on [collegereadiness.collegeboard.org](#).

**Q Will parents and teachers be able to see students' Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org results?**

**A** When [Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org](#) launches in early June 2015, only student users can access their practice results. If students wish, they can show parents, guardians, or teachers their Khan Academy account so that others can see how they're doing and support their learning.

**Q Will students have to ask their parents before creating a Khan Academy account?**

**A** Students who are 13 and older do not need parental permission to create a Khan Academy account. This is true for students residing in all 50 states.

**Q Can students link their College Board account to their Khan Academy account?**

**A** Account linking will not be available when **Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org** first launches in early June 2015, but we plan to add this feature as we continue to enhance our practice tools.

Once linking is available, the College Board will not share any personal information with Khan Academy. This means that, even after students link their two accounts, the College Board will not provide Khan Academy with their name, address, or demographic data. The only information that will be shared when students link their accounts is SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, and/or PSAT 10 performance results, which will be transmitted through a secure token. It should be noted that, once this feature is available, students will be able to deactivate the link between their College Board and Khan Academy accounts at any time.

**Q Where do users report crashes, bugs, and technical problems?**

**A** Khan Academy's team has years of experience building robust education tools that support millions of students at a time. That said, we know that glitches do happen. Students can report any technical issues using the "Report a problem" link ([khanacademy.zendesk.com/hc/en-us](http://khanacademy.zendesk.com/hc/en-us)) on Khan Academy's website.

## What's Available on Khan Academy and What's Coming

**Q When students log on in June 2015, what SAT practice tools will they see?**

**A** If users log on to Khan Academy today (or any day before June 2, 2015), they will find free practice materials for the current SAT (that is, the SAT offered through January 2016), including questions from unreleased SATs and videos that take them step by step from problem to solution.

Once we launch **Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org** in early June for the redesigned SAT (which will first be administered in March 2016), users will find full-length practice tests for the redesigned SAT as well as video lessons and thousands of interactive problems.

As we receive feedback from students, parents, and educators, we'll continue to update **Official SAT Practice on KhanAcademy.org** and add new features, including an app that will allow students to upload their PSAT/NMSQT scores to Khan Academy to get an even more personalized SAT practice experience.

**Q Will Khan Academy be launching any updates?**

**A** Yes, we look forward to receiving feedback from students, parents, and educators so that we can continue to improve our practice tools and add new features for the fall, including additional practice tests and scaled scoring for practice tests so students can see how they might perform on the real SAT and track their growth.

In the future, students will be able to upload their PSAT/NMSQT results to Khan Academy to further personalize their practice experience. In addition, the College Board SAT Practice app will enable students to take an SAT practice test on paper and then scan it, get their score, and upload their results to Khan Academy right from their phone.

We'll provide updates on these features as they become available. Creating an account on Khan Academy is a great way to make sure you receive these updates.

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