

# SAT and ACT Test Dates for 2012

SAT	vs.	ACT
Reasoning test	<b>Type of Test</b>	Content-based test
Ten-Sections Critical- Reading: 2, 25-min sections and 1, 20-min section; Math: 2, 25-min sections and 1, 20-min section; Writing: 1, 25-min essay, 1, 25-min section, and 1, 10-min section	<b>Test Format</b>	Five-Sections- English: 1, 45-min section; Math: 1, 60-min section; Reading: 1, 35-min section; Science: 1, 35-min section; Writing: 1, 30-min essay (optional)
reading, vocabulary, grammar & usage, writing, and math	<b>Content Covered</b>	grammar & usage, math, reading, science reasoning, and writing (optional)
tricky, questions can be phrased in ways that make them difficult to decipher	<b>Test Style</b>	straightforward, questions may be long but are usually less difficult to decipher
Math, Critical Reading, and Writing scores will each range between a 200-800; total SAT score ranges between 600-2400, 2-12 essay	<b>Scoring</b>	English, Math, Reading, and Science scores will each range between 1-36. Composite ACT score is the average of your scores on the four sections; ranges between 1-36, 2-12 Writing test
yes – you lose $\frac{1}{4}$ of a point for incorrect answers (except on the grid-in math questions)	<b>Penalty for Wrong Answers?</b>	no – you do not lose points for incorrect answers
arithmetic, data analysis, algebra I and II, functions, geometry; formulas are provided in the test booklet	<b>Math Levels</b>	arithmetic, algebra I and II, functions, geometry, trigonometry; no formulas are provided
Sentence completion (vocabulary), short and long critical reading passages, reading comprehension	<b>Reading Section</b>	Four passages, one each of prose fiction, social sciences, humanities and natural sciences.
NOT just an essay, NOT optional. Grammar, usage, word choice, and essay	<b>Writing Section</b>	Optional essay
Scholarship purposes and testing out of remedial college courses	<b>Other uses for the exams?</b>	Scholarship purposes and testing out of remedial college courses
seven times per year: January, March or April, May, June, October, November, December	<b>Offered when?</b>	six times per year: February, April, June, September, October, December
\$51	<b>Cost</b>	\$36.50 w/o writing, \$52.50 with writing
Late=\$27.50, Change date=\$27.50, Scores to a college after test=\$11.25, Scores to 4 college before the test=FREE	<b>Fees</b>	Late=\$23, Change date=\$22, Scores to a college after test=\$12, Scores to 4 college before the test=FREE
<a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a>	<b>More Information</b>	<a href="http://www.act.org">www.act.org</a>

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Date of Test	Test	Register by	
October 5, 2013	SAT	Sept 6 (Sept. 23 with late fee)	
October 26, 2013	ACT	Sept 27 (Oct 11 with late fee)	
November 2, 2013	SAT	Oct 3 (Oct 21 with late fee)	
December 7, 2013	SAT	Nov 8 (Nov 25 with late fee)	
December 14, 2013	ACT	Nov. 8 (Nov. 22 with late fee)	
January 25, 2013	SAT	Dec 27 (Jan. 14 with late fee)	
February 8, 2013	ACT	Jan 10 (Jan. 24 with late fee)	
March 8, 2013	SAT	Feb 7 (Feb. 24 with late fee)	
April 12, 2013	ACT	March 7 (March 21 with late fee)	
May 3, 2013	SAT	April 4 (April 21 with late fee)	
June 7, 2013	SAT	May 9 (May 28 with late fee)	
June 14, 2013	ACT	May 9 (May 23 with late fee)	
		**Waivers do not cover late fees	