

**Student Answer Sheet Instructions**  
**SAT School Day**

## Introduction

This guide will help you fill out your SAT<sup>®</sup> School Day answer sheet—including where to send your four free score reports. Be sure to record your answers to the questions on the answer sheet. Answers that are marked in this booklet will not be counted.

If your school has placed a personalized label on your answer sheet, some of your information may have already been provided. You may not need to answer every question. Your instructor will read aloud and direct you to fill out the appropriate questions.

## How Answering These Questions Helps You

Opting in to Student Search Service<sup>®</sup> (marking “Yes” in Field 15) and answering Questions 16–38 helps you connect with educational and financial aid opportunities. Through Student Search Service, eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs can request information that you have provided on your answer sheet, but they won’t receive your actual test scores or phone number.

We strongly recommend that you answer all these questions, because your answers:

- Guide your counselors and college admission officers in helping you plan your future.

- Help the College Board ensure that the SAT is fair and accurate for all students.

- Provide information to eligible colleges and universities to create a picture of the academic preparation, extra- and cocurricular involvement, and post-high-school plans of your graduating class.

## Confidentiality

Your high school, school district, and state may receive your responses to some of the questions. Institutions that receive your SAT information are required to keep it confidential and to follow College Board guidelines for using information. See the *SAT School Day Student Guide* for more details, including how to opt out of Student Search Service if you change your mind.

## Demographic and Nontest Questions

### 1. First and Last Name

This field is required to score your test.

### 2. Testing Location

This field is required as part of scoring.

### 3. School

This field is required and will be used to validate your school if a processing exception occurs.

### 4. School Code

This field is required and will be provided by your teacher or counselor on test day. It is a College Board identifier representing your school.

### 5. Student Identification

This field is your student ID number. (Do not provide your Social Security Number.) This field is required and used to assist in reporting your scores to your school, district, and state.

### 6. Grade Level

This field is required to validate your answer sheet as part of scoring.

### 7. Date of Birth

This field is required to validate your answer sheet as part of scoring.

### 8. Sex

This field is required to validate your answer sheet for scoring.

## 9–12. Home/Mailing Address

These fields are optional but recommended. Your home or mailing address is used to assist the College Board in matching your answer sheet to your College Board record. (If you are homeschooled, you need to provide this information so that we can mail you a copy of your score report.) The College Board may contact you regarding this test, and your address will be added to your record. If you also opt in to Student Search Service (Question 15), your address will be shared with eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs.

Use these street address abbreviations to answer Question 9:

Apartment	APT
Avenue	AVE
Boulevard	BLVD
Circle	CIR
Court	CT
Drive	DR
East	E
Expressway	EXPY
First	1ST
Fort	FT
Fourth	4TH
Heights	HTS

Highway	HWY
Mount	MT
North	N
Northeast	NE
Northwest	NW
Parkway	PKY
Place	PL
Post Office	PO
Road	RD
Route	RT
Second	2ND
South	S
Southeast	SE
Southwest	SW
Square	SQ
Street	ST
Terrace	TER
Third	3RD
West	W

### 13. Country Code

Leave this field blank unless you live outside the United States or its territories.

### 14. Score Reporting

Your instructor will give you directions for using the *Score Reporting Code List (for Field 14)* on page 18 to complete this field to send your scores to eligible colleges, universities, and scholarships. This field is optional.

### 15. Student Search Service

Fill in the appropriate bubble to opt in to or out of Student Search Service (if you opt in, your email address will be included in your record). Student Search Service is a free, voluntary program that connects students with information about educational and financial aid opportunities from eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs. By marking “Yes,” you understand that your responses to Questions 16–38 will be kept by the College Board and, except for your response to Question 17, may be shared with eligible colleges and universities and scholarship and other educational programs that participate in Student Search Service. Would you like us to supply your information for these purposes? Fill in “Yes” if you wish to share your information through Student Search Service. Otherwise, fill in “No.”

### 16. Email Address

Email address is optional. If provided, it will be used to deliver reminders about test programs, test-preparation strategies, and score availability. If you supply a parent or guardian’s email, it will only be used by the College Board to provide updates on test programs.

### 17. Mobile Number

This field is optional. If provided, you agree to receive text messages from the College Board about a test program for which you are registered, to participate in research surveys, and/or to receive free college planning services.

### Instructions for Questions 18–19

Use these instructions and options to answer each question. Questions 18 and 19 are optional.

### 18. Language Background

Answer both questions about your language background.

1. What language did you learn to speak first? (Mark only one.)
  - a. English only
  - b. English and another language
  - c. Another language
2. What language do you know best? (Mark only one.)
  - a. English
  - b. English and another language
  - c. Another language

### 19. Racial/Ethnic Group

Answer both questions about Hispanic origin and about race. For these questions about your identity, Hispanic origins are not races.

1. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? (You may mark all that apply.)
  - a. No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
  - b. Yes, Cuban
  - c. Yes, Mexican
  - d. Yes, Puerto Rican
  - e. Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
2. What is your race? (You may mark all that apply.)
  - a. American Indian or Alaska Native
  - b. Asian (including Indian subcontinent and Philippines origin)
  - c. Black or African American (including African and Afro-Caribbean origin)
  - d. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
  - e. White (including Middle Eastern origin)

### Special Questions (20–21)

Use these instructions and options to answer each question. Questions 20 and 21 are optional.

## 20. Parents'/Guardians' Level of Education

Indicate the highest level of education of your parent/guardian. If you have two parents/guardians, indicate the level of education for your other parent/guardian in the bubbles that correspond with "B."

1. Parent/Guardian 1
  - a. Grade school
  - b. Some high school
  - c. High school diploma or equivalent
  - d. Vocational or trade school
  - e. Some college
  - f. Associate or two-year degree
  - g. Bachelor's or four-year degree
  - h. Some graduate or professional school
  - i. Graduate or professional degree
2. Parent/Guardian 2
  - a. Grade school
  - b. Some high school
  - c. High school diploma or equivalent
  - d. Vocational or trade school
  - e. Some college
  - f. Associate or two-year degree
  - g. Bachelor's or four-year degree
  - h. Some graduate or professional school
  - i. Graduate or professional degree

## 21. Military Relation

Please indicate if you have a parent or guardian in the military. Mark all that apply.

1. I have a parent/guardian who is on active duty in the U.S. military.
2. I have a parent/guardian who is in the National Guard or the Reserves.
3. I have a parent/guardian who was in the U.S. military but is not serving now.
4. Neither of my parents/guardians has a current military connection.

Fields 22–38 are optional but recommended.

## Coursework and High School Activities (22–26)

These questions ask about activities that reflect your abilities and interests and your best estimate of your academic progress. In the coursework question (Field 26), indicate planned or completed areas of study.

## 22. High School Activities

Mark up to 10 activities under the grade(s) in which you participated or plan to participate. Include both school-sponsored and extracurricular activities. Bubble the "Officer/Award" column if you've been a leader or won special recognition (examples: team captain, prize for writing, state orchestra). Or, bubble "I have not participated in any of the above activities."

1. Academic honor society
2. Athletics: Intramural
3. Athletics: Varsity
4. Career-oriented activity
5. Community or service activity
6. Dance activity or club
7. Debating or public speaking
8. Ethnic or cross-cultural activity
9. Foreign exchange or study abroad
10. Foreign language activity
11. Government or political activity
12. Journalism or literary activity
13. Junior ROTC
14. Religious activity
15. Science or math activity
16. School spirit activity
17. Theater activity
18. Work: co-op program
19. Other activity

I have not participated in any of the above activities.

## 23. Self-Rating

How do you think you compare with other people your own age in the following three areas of ability? For each area, fill in one of the four ratings. Your answers to this question won't be included on score reports sent to colleges.

- Mathematics  
Science  
Writing

## 24. Grade Point Average

Indicate your cumulative grade point average for all academic subjects in high school. If you don't know your exact grade point average, give your best estimate.

1. A+ (97–100)
2. A (93–96)
3. A– (90–92)
4. B+ (87–89)
5. B (83–86)
6. B– (80–82)
7. C+ (77–79)
8. C (73–76)
9. C– (70–72)
10. D+ (67–69)

11. D (65–66)
12. E or F (below 65)

## 25. Expected High School Graduation Date

Fill in the appropriate bubble for the month when you expect to graduate from high school. Then enter the last two digits of the year, and fill in the appropriate bubbles.

## 26. Coursework

For the courses listed under Math, Science, Languages, English/Language Arts, and Social Studies, do the following:

For each year of school, go down the list of courses and fill in the ones you took in that year. If you took an honors, Advanced Placement® (AP®), or dual enrollment course in a subject, fill in the bubble in that column, too. (Dual enrollment courses offer both high school and postsecondary credits for the same course.)

Next, if applicable, fill in courses you plan to take.

Finally, go down the list and mark the bubble in the “None” column for courses you haven’t taken and don’t plan to take in high school.

## College Plans (27–38)

If you have any plans for what kind of college you’d like to go to, let us know by answering these questions on the back page of your answer sheet (or next page if you are using a large-block answer sheet).

### 27. College Setting

(You may mark more than one answer to each question.)

1. What college setting(s) do you prefer?
  - a. Large city or metropolitan area
  - b. Medium-size city
  - c. Small city or town
  - d. Suburban community
  - e. Rural
  - f. Undecided
2. Where would you like to go to college?
  - a. Close to home
  - b. In my home state
  - c. In a state bordering mine
  - d. Beyond states bordering mine
  - e. Outside the United States
  - f. Undecided

### 28. College Size

What size college(s) are you thinking of attending? (You may mark more than one answer.)

1. Fewer than 2,000 students
2. About 2,000 to 5,000 students
3. About 5,000 to 10,000 students
4. About 10,000 to 15,000 students

5. About 15,000 to 20,000 students
6. More than 20,000 students
7. Undecided

### 29. College Type

Fill in the appropriate bubble(s) to indicate the type of college or university you’re considering. (You may mark more than one answer to each question.)

1. What type(s) of institution are you interested in attending?
  - a. Four-year college or university
  - b. Two-year community or junior college
  - c. Vocational/technical school
  - d. Undecided
  - e. None
2. Which of the following are you considering?
  - a. Public university, state college, or community college
  - b. Private university, college, or junior college (not religiously affiliated)
  - c. Private religiously affiliated university, college, or junior college
  - d. Undecided
3. Which type(s) of college are you considering?
  - a. All women or all men
  - b. Coeducational
  - c. Undecided

### 30. College Housing

Where do you plan to live during your first year in college?

1. At home
2. Off-campus housing
3. On-campus housing
4. I don’t know

### 31. College Program and Activities

Which activities are you interested in pursuing in college? (You may mark more than one.)

1. Art
2. Athletics: Intramural or club sports
3. Athletics: Varsity sports
4. Community or service organization
5. Cooperative work or internship program
6. Dance
7. Debating or public speaking
8. Departmental organization (club within my major)
9. Drama or theater
10. Environmental or ecology activity
11. Ethnic activity or club
12. Foreign study or study-abroad program
13. Fraternity, sorority, or social club
14. Honors program or independent study
15. Journalism or literary activity

16. Music: Instrumental performance
17. Music: Vocal performance
18. Religious activity
19. Reserve Officers' Training Corps (Army ROTC, Air Force ROTC, or Navy ROTC)
20. Student government
21. None of the above

## 32. College Majors

You don't need to know what your college major will be—just indicate three majors or areas of study that interest you. Use the College Majors by Academic Area of Study list that follows to answer this question. Write in the code numbers, and fill in the appropriate bubble under each digit. If you're not sure, please fill in number 999 (Undecided).

## 33. Degree Goal

What is the highest level of education you plan to complete? (Mark only one answer.)

1. Specialized training or certificate program
2. Two-year Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree (such as A.A., A.A.S., or A.S.)
3. Bachelor's degree (such as B.A. or B.S.)
4. Master's degree (such as M.A., MBA, or M.S.)
5. Doctoral or related degree (such as Ph.D., J.D., M.D., or D.V.M.)
6. Other
7. Undecided

## 34. AP/Exemption Plans

Fill in "Yes" if you plan to apply for AP credit for courses in any of the following subjects. Otherwise, fill in "No."

Art  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer Science  
English  
Foreign Languages

## 35. Sports

Select up to six sports you have participated in or plan to participate in, or bubble "I have not participated in any of the above sports."

1. Baseball
2. Basketball
3. Bowling
4. Cheerleading
5. Cross-country
6. Field hockey
7. Football
8. Golf
9. Gymnastics

10. Lacrosse
11. Soccer
12. Softball
13. Swimming
14. Tennis
15. Track and field
16. Volleyball
17. Wrestling
18. Other

I have not participated in any of the above sports.

## 36. Part-Time Job

Do you plan to look for a part-time job while in college?

1. Yes
2. No
3. I don't know

## 37. Financial Aid

Do you plan to apply for financial aid?

1. Yes
2. No
3. I don't know

## 38. Arts and Music

Select the art and music subjects and/or courses you have taken or plan to take, plus related activities. (You may mark more than one.)

1. No coursework or experience in this area
2. Acting or the production of a play
3. Art history or art appreciation
4. Dance
5. Drama or theater for appreciation
6. Music history, theory, or appreciation
7. Music: instrumental, or vocal performance
8. Photography or filmmaking
9. Studio art and design

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