

SAT Vocabulary Flashcards

Introduction

Building a strong vocabulary is essential for excelling in the SAT Reading and Writing sections. This set of high-frequency SAT words will help you recognize key terms, improve comprehension, and enhance your ability to answer vocabulary-in-context questions.

How to Use These Flashcards

- ✓ **Read the word, and definition, and try to use it in an example sentence.**
 - ✓ **Test yourself** by covering the definition and recalling the meaning.
 - ✓ **Use the word in a sentence** to reinforce learning.
 - ✓ **Review regularly** to retain the words effectively.
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High-Frequency SAT Words (A-Z)

Here is a list of **150 high-frequency SAT words** that you can include in your **SAT Vocabulary Flashcards**:

1. Abate – To reduce in intensity
2. Abdicate – To give up power
3. Aberration – Deviation from the norm
4. Abhor – To hate deeply
5. Abstruse – Difficult to understand
6. Acumen – Keen insight
7. Admonish – To warn or reprimand
8. Aesthetic – Concerned with beauty
9. Affable – Friendly, easy to talk to
10. Alacrity – Eagerness, enthusiasm
11. Altruistic – Selfless, giving to others
12. Ambiguous – Open to multiple meanings

13. Ambivalent – Having mixed feelings
14. Anachronistic – Out of its time period
15. Anomaly – Something unusual or unexpected
16. Antipathy – Strong dislike
17. Apathy – Lack of interest or emotion
18. Appease – To calm or satisfy
19. Arbitrary – Based on random choice
20. Arduous – Difficult, requiring effort
21. Ascertain – To find out for sure
22. Assiduous – Hardworking, diligent
23. Astute – Clever, perceptive
24. Audacious – Fearlessly bold
25. Austere – Severely simple, without decoration
26. Avarice – Extreme greed
27. Benevolent – Kind, charitable
28. Bolster – To support or strengthen
29. Bombastic – Overly dramatic in speech or writing
30. Boorish – Rude, unrefined
31. Brevity – Shortness of duration
32. Cacophony – Harsh, unpleasant sound
33. Cajole – To persuade with flattery
34. Callous – Emotionally hardened
35. Candid – Honest and straightforward
36. Capitulate – To surrender
37. Capricious – Impulsive, unpredictable
38. Censure – To criticize harshly

39. Chicanery – Trickery, deception
40. Circumspect – Cautious, wary
41. Coalesce – To merge, come together
42. Cogent – Clear, logical, and convincing
43. Complacent – Self-satisfied, unaware of dangers
44. Conflagration – A large fire
45. Conscientious – Careful and diligent
46. Contrite – Deeply remorseful
47. Conundrum – A difficult problem or puzzle
48. Copious – Abundant, plentiful
49. Corroborate – To confirm or support with evidence
50. Credulous – Gullible, too ready to believe
51. Debilitate – To weaken
52. Debunk – To expose as false
53. Deference – Respectful submission
54. Deleterious – Harmful
55. Delineate – To describe in detail
56. Deride – To ridicule or mock
57. Despondent – Depressed, without hope
58. Destitute – Extremely poor
59. Deter – To discourage or prevent
60. Didactic – Intended to instruct
61. Diffident – Lacking self-confidence
62. Dilatory – Slow, delaying
63. Discrepancy – A difference or inconsistency
64. Disparage – To belittle or criticize

65. Disparate – Fundamentally different
66. Disseminate – To spread widely
67. Dubious – Doubtful, uncertain
68. Ebullient – Cheerful, full of energy
69. Eclectic – Selecting from various sources
70. Edifice – A large building or structure
71. Efface – To erase or wipe out
72. Effervescent – Bubbly, lively
73. Egregious – Outstandingly bad
74. Elucidate – To make clear
75. Embellish – To decorate, enhance
76. Emulate – To imitate with the intent to match or surpass
77. Enervate – To weaken
78. Enigma – A mystery, puzzle
79. Ephemeral – Short-lived
80. Equanimity – Mental calmness
81. Equivocate – To speak ambiguously to mislead
82. Esoteric – Known by a small group
83. Euphemism – A mild term replacing a harsh one
84. Evanescent – Fleeting, vanishing quickly
85. Exacerbate – To worsen a situation
86. Exculpate – To free from blame
87. Exorbitant – Excessively expensive
88. Expeditious – Done quickly and efficiently
89. Extol – To praise highly
90. Facetious – Treating serious issues with humour

91. Fallacious – Based on a false belief
92. Fastidious – Very attentive to detail
93. Fervent – Passionate, intense
94. Flippant – Lacking proper respect
95. Florid – Overly ornate or decorated
96. Fortuitous – Happening by chance, lucky
97. Fractious – Irritable, quarrelsome
98. Gregarious – Sociable, outgoing
99. Guile – Deceit, cunning
100. Hackneyed – Overused, cliché
101. Iconoclast – Someone who challenges traditions
102. Idiosyncratic – Peculiar to an individual
103. Imminent – About to happen
104. Immutable – Unchangeable
105. Impetuous – Acting without thinking
106. Inchoate – Not fully formed
107. Incisive – Sharp, clear-thinking
108. Indolent – Lazy
109. Ineffable – Too great to describe in words
110. Ingenuous – Innocent, naive
111. Insipid – Lacking flavour or excitement
112. Intrepid – Fearless
113. Irascible – Easily angered
114. Juxtapose – To place side by side for contrast
115. Laconic – Using few words
116. Lament – To express sorrow or grief

117. Laud – To praise highly
118. Lethargic – Sluggish, lacking energy
119. Loquacious – Talkative
120. Magnanimous – Generous, forgiving
121. Malfeasance – Wrongdoing, misconduct
122. Malleable – Easily shaped or influenced
123. Mendacious – Dishonest
124. Mitigate – To lessen the severity
125. Nefarious – Wicked or evil
126. Obfuscate – To confuse or obscure
127. Obstinate – Stubborn
128. Ostentatious – Showy, flashy
129. Paradox – A contradiction that is true
130. Pedantic – Overly concerned with small details
131. Perfunctory – Done without enthusiasm
132. Pragmatic – Practical, realistic
133. Precarious – Risky, unstable
134. Precocious – Advanced for one's age
135. Prosaic – Ordinary, dull
136. Quixotic – Idealistic, impractical
137. Recalcitrant – Stubbornly resistant
138. Revere – To deeply respect
139. Sanguine – Cheerfully optimistic
140. Spurious – False, not genuine
141. Stymie – To block or hinder
142. Surreptitious – Secretive

143. Tenacious – Determined, persistent
 144. Truncate – To shorten
 145. Ubiquitous – Present everywhere
 146. Vacillate – To waver between choices
 147. Verbose – Wordy, too talkative
 148. Vicarious – Experienced through another
 149. Wane – To decrease gradually
 150. Zealous – Passionate, enthusiastic
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Final Tips

- ◆ Review 5-10 words daily to build retention.
 - ◆ Try using new words in conversations to reinforce learning.
 - ◆ Keep a vocabulary journal to track your progress.
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