



# SAT Prep 101

Make sure you're in the right class...check the attendance sheets by the door!

# Agenda

- Overview of Critical Reading Section
- What to do!
- Passage Practice
- Review Answers

Practice on your own! Go to [www.khanacademy.org/mission/sat](http://www.khanacademy.org/mission/sat)

# INTRODUCTION TO THE SAT READING TEST

What can I expect?

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# Strategies for Success

## 1. Map the Passage

- a. Read questions first, and underline or [bracket] any lines that are mentioned. Then, you'll know to pay specific attention to those lines when you're reading!

Mrs. Allen's response in lines 46–48 ("I . . . dance") mainly serves to

- ☐ A show how shunned they are in the midst of the ball.
- ☐ B highlight her attempts to expand her social circle.
- ☐ C emphasize the goal of finding Catherine a partner.
- ☐ D demonstrate their inability to mingle with new acquaintances.

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## 2. Read the Passage Introduction

This may provide you with the background you need to get “big picture” questions right!

This passage is excerpted from Federalist Paper No. 5, published in 1787. In it, statesman John Jay discusses the potential effects of dividing the U.S. into several different nations.

*Line*  
*5* The history of Great Britain is the one with which we are in general the best acquainted, and it gives us many useful lessons. We may profit by their experience without paying the price which it cost them. Although it seems obvious to common sense that the people of such an island should be but one nation, yet we find that they were for ages divided into three, and that those three were almost constantly embroiled in quarrels and wars with one another. Notwithstanding their true interest with respect to the continental nations was really the same, yet by the arts and policy and practices of those nations, their mutual jealousies were perpetually kept  
*10* inflamed, and for a long series of years they were far more inconvenient and troublesome than they were useful and assisting to each other.

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## 3. Predict the Answer BEFORE Reading Answer Choices

After reading the question, jot down what you think the right answer should be (a simplified version works!). Then, match the answer choices that are provided with your answer

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## 4. Focus on Eliminating Incorrect Choices instead of Finding the Right One

The people who make the SAT DO NOT want to deal with thousands of students across the country questioning their score. To avoid this, they make sure there is only ONE unambiguously right answer...and 3 that are definitely wrong for one reason or another. Find the errors, and you'll have your answer!

# Your Turn to Try!

Read the first passage in your packet and answer the questions.  
Make sure to try out the strategies we discussed today!

1. Map the Passage
2. Read the Passage Introduction
3. Predict the Answer
4. Eliminate Clearly Wrong Answers

