



## PSAT-SAT Verbal 7-9 Syllabus

### Course Goals

#### 1 Develop Verbal Skills for SAT/PSAT

Students improve their proficiency with the types of questions that appear in the PSAT and SAT verbal sections, and they develop the grammar, thinking, and critical reading skills needed to answer them.

#### 2 Develop SAT/PSAT Success Strategies

Students build familiarity with the format and structure of the SAT/PSAT verbal section, and they learn test-taking strategies for different types of questions. They become familiar with working under the test's time constraints and develop time management strategies.

### Course Topics

#### 1 Verbal Section Overview

Students go over the verbal section of the SAT/PSAT, its format, and the types of questions it contains.

#### 2 Sentence Completion

Students develop proficiency with the sentence-completion questions that appear on the SAT/PSAT verbal section, and they learn about the different types of sentence completion questions they may encounter.

#### 3 Critical Reading

Students develop proficiency with the critical reading questions on the SAT/PSAT verbal section, and they learn techniques for approaching the different types of passages and questions.

#### 4 Sentence Errors

Students develop proficiency with the sentence error identification questions on the SAT/PSAT verbal section, and they learn different approaches to improving sentences and eliminating errors.

#### 5 Improving Paragraphs

Students develop proficiency with the types of paragraph improvement questions that appear on the SAT/PSAT verbal section. They engage in writing and revising exercises to learn different techniques for answering these questions.

#### 6 Verbal Test-Taking Strategies

Students develop test-taking strategies and skills for the SAT/PSAT verbal section, such as assessing multiple choice options, eliminating answers, building vocabulary, and developing analytical reading techniques.

#### 7 Test Structure and Format

Students become familiar with the structure, format, and time constraints of the PSAT/SAT verbal section, and they learn time management strategies for working within the test's time limits.

#### 8 Test Scoring and Rubric

Students become familiar with the scoring mechanisms used on the SAT/PSAT and the rubric on which scores are

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