

# SAT Verbal Prep - Course Syllabus (.5 Credit)

# **Description:**

This half-credit course is designed to help students prepare to take the SAT Verbal Exam. The SAT Verbal Exam consists of two main sections: *Reading* and *Writing and Language*. This course covers both of these main sections and will prepare a student with instruction as well as hundreds of examples and practice problems. Specific topics covered are: Vocabulary in Context (VIC), Evidence-based Paired Questions, Main Idea of the Passage, Style/Tone of the Author, Function of a Phrase or Sentence in the Passage, Data Analysis on the Basis of Diagrams, Charts, or Graphs.

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# **Course objectives:**

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Identify the main idea and supporting evidence of a piece of writing.
- Identify and analyze the author's intent and purpose of a piece of writing.
- Describe the importance of word choice and sentence formation while writing.
- Understand the application of the conventions of usage while writing.
- Separate sentence fragments from complete sentences.
- Analyze infographics to determine its purpose.

# **Contents**:

Module 1: Central Idea and Evidence	Module 11: Reading Quantitative Texts
Module 2: Author's Purpose and Perspective	Module 12: Rhetoric/Text Structures
Module 3: Word Choice and Words in Context	Module 13: Understanding Relationships
Module 4: Analyzing Text Pairs	Module 14: Putting It All Together: Reading
Module 5: Proposition and Relevance of Evidence	Module 15: Writing and Quantitative Info
Module 6: Organization	Module 16: Express Ideas/Language Use
Module 7: Conventions/Sentence Formation	Module 17: Conventions/Punctuation
Module 8: Conventions of Usage	Module 18: Putting It All Together: Writing
Module 9: Analysis/Understanding the Task	Module 19: Analysis of Author's Tactics
Module 10: Writing/Thesis and Scoring Guide	Module 20: Writing/Organizing the Essay

# **Grading Scale**

 $\overline{A = 90-100\%}$ B = 80-89% C = 70-79% D = 60-69% F = under 59% <u>Grade Weighting</u> Chapter Quizzes...... 60% <u>Final Exams...... 40%</u> 100%