## 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 2: Author's Purpose and Perspective
Module 3: Word Choice and Words in Context
Module 4: Analyzing Text Pairs
Module 5: Proposition and Relevance of Evidence
Module 6: Organization
Module 7: Conventions/Sentence Formation
Module 8: Conventions of Usage
Module 9: Analysis/Understanding the Task
Module 10: Writing/Thesis and Scoring Guide

Module 11: Reading Quantitative Texts
Module 12: Rhetoric/Text Structures
Module 13: Understanding Relationships
Module 14: Putting It All Together: Reading
Module 15: Writing and Quantitative Info
Module 16: Express Ideas/Language Use
Module 17: Conventions/Punctuation
Module 18: Putting It All Together: Writing
Module 19: Analysis of Author's Tactics
Module 20: Writing/Organizing the Essay

## Grading Scale

A = 90-100\%
$B=80-89 \%$
C $=70-79 \%$
$\mathrm{D}=60-69 \%$
F = under 59\%

| Grade Weighting |
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| Chapter Quizzes............. $60 \%$ |
| Final Exams................ $40 \%$ |
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