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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE NEW, REVISED SAT

Preparing for this high-stakes test can be the exciting beginning on the path to college or can be fraught with anxiety. Knowing what to expect on the test and how to approach each portion can help relieve anxiety, not to mention significantly increase scores.

The College Board, creator of the SAT, has made extensive changes to the test. ***The redesigned SAT will be given for the first time in March 2016.*** Here is what you need to know about the changes to help you succeed:

1. Instead of 9 shorter sections, there will be 4 longer sections: Reading Comprehension, Writing and Language, Math with calculators, and Math without calculators.
2. Essay is *optional*, you have 50 minutes to complete, and it is now at the end of the testing.
3. There are no longer penalties for wrong answers, so guessing is now a recommended strategy.
4. Less focus on vocabulary and more focus on words that are commonly used in high school classes.
5. More emphasis placed on finding evidence within the reading and writing sections. Students will be asked to cite evidence to support their answers.

To find out more about the differences between the SAT and the new revised SAT debuting in March, check out this comparison chart put out by *Education Weekly*:
<http://www.edweek.org/media/24satchart.pdf>

RITES has experienced SAT teachers who have been trained in the new format. To increase your score and learn more about our individualized approach to preparing to get higher scores, contact us today.