

HOW DOES THE CHANGE TO A DIGITAL SAT AFFECT YOUR TEST PREP?

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First, answer these three questions

1. Do you tend to finish tests quickly in class?
2. Do you consider yourself a relatively quick reader?
3. Do you tend to mark up (underline, cross out, annotate, show the work etc.) tests as you take them?

YES

NO

Then the ACT is likely the way to go

Pros of the ACT

- **Typical Format**
- **More official practice tests than you would ever need**
- **Proven strategies available to boost your score that have worked for years**
 - *We have been tutoring the ACT for years and know exactly what works to help students achieve their top score*

Then the dSAT is likely the way to go

Pros of the dSAT

- **Elimination of long reading passages**
- **45-minutes shorter than the ACT**
- **Some students like taking the exam on the computer**
 - *You won't accidentally omit any questions, a Desmos calculator is built in, and you always know exactly how much time you have remaining)*

Cons of the ACT

- **Fast-Paced Test isn't great for some**
 - *students need to be OK with answering questions quickly, skimming, and trusting their initial instinct)*
- **Longer than new digital SAT**
 - *the ACT is now forty-five minutes longer than the dSAT)*
- **Reading and math speed is key**
 - *students can learn the foundational skills, but some level of speed is required to excel)*

Cons of the dSAT

- **Only 4 official digital practice tests available**
 - *typically students work through ten official practice exams across 2-3 months before the exam*
- **Potential Tech Problems**
 - *While over 1 million students successfully took the PSAT across the US, many school administrators also had to cancel or postpone the PSAT due to technical issues)*
- **Unproven strategies**
 - *with only four official exams available, test prep companies are still working out the best ways to boost scores*

Still not sure? Take a free practice test of each exam or speak with one of our test prep experts today!

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