

# Most Common SAT Vocabulary Words Test Prefix, Root, and Suffix Challenge

## • Part One •

**DIRECTIONS:** Read the vocabulary words below, followed by their basic definition. Below each word, fill out any and all prefixes, roots, or suffixes found within each vocabulary word to test your knowledge of the most commonly used words in the SAT exam.

1. **ABDICATE:** *to yield, to give up*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

6. **AESTHETIC:** *pertaining to beauty*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

2. **ABBERATION:** *abnormality, deviation*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

7. **AFFABLE:** *friendly, agreeable*

\_\_\_\_\_   
list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

3. **ABSTRUSE:** *hard to understand*

\_\_\_\_\_   
list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

8. **ALLEVIATE:** *to lessen, to relieve*

\_\_\_\_\_   
list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

4. **ADAGE:** *a familiar saying*

\_\_\_\_\_   
list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

9. **AMBIGUOUS:** *unclear, open to one or more interpretations*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

5. **ADAMANT:** *stubborn, unyielding*

\_\_\_\_\_   
list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

10. **AMBIVALENT:** *having conflicting feelings toward something or someone*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

11. AMENABLE: *agreeable*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

19. ARID: *dry*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

12. AMIABLE: *friendly, pleasant*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

20. ASSIDUOUS: *diligent, careful*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

13. AMPLE: *roomy, abundant*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

21. ASYLUM: *a safe place, a refuge*

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 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

14. ANNIHILATE: *totally destroy*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

22. AUSPICIOUS: *favorable*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

15. APT: *inclined, suitable, able*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

23. AUSTERE: *severe, stern, self-disciplined*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

16. ARBITER: *a judge, an umpire*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

24. BENEVOLENT: *generous, kindly*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

17. ARCHAIC: *outdated, old-fashioned*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

25. BENIGN: *harmless, gentle*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

18. ARDUOUS: *difficult, strenuous*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

26. BIASED: *preferential, prejudicial*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

27. **BRITTLE**: *fragile, likely to crack or break*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

35. **CATALOG**: *a list systematically displayed*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

28. **BRUSQUE**: *abrupt in manner, blunt, rough*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

36. **CAUSTIC**: *corrosive, sarcastic*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

29. **BURGEONING**: *to flourish, to grow rapidly*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

37. **CHARLATAN**: *a fake, a quack*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

30. **CAMARADERIE**: *loyalty, friendly*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

38. **CLANDESTINE**: *secretive and private*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

31. **CANDOR**: *honesty, openness, frankness*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

39. **CLARITY**: *clearness or lucidity*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

32. **CANTANKEROUS**: *bad-tempered, quarrelsome*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

40. **COGENT**: *convincing*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

33. **CAPACIOUS**: *spacious, roomy*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

41. **COHESIVE**: *tending to stick together*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

34. **CAPRICIOUS**: *erratic, impulsive*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

42. **COMPELLING**: *forceful*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

43. **CONFLAGRATION:** *a large and destructive fire*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

51. **DEBUNK:** *quash, disprove*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

44. **CONSCIENTIOUS:** *attentive, dedicated*

\_\_\_\_\_

list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

52. **DECOROUS:** *tasteful, respectable*

\_\_\_\_\_

list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

45. **CONTEMPTUOUS:** *scornful*

\_\_\_\_\_

list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

53. **DELETERIOUS:** *harmful*

\_\_\_\_\_

list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

46. **CONVOLUTED:** *twisted, coiled*

\_\_\_\_\_

list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

54. **DESPOTIC:** *tyrannical*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

47. **COPIOUS:** *plentiful, abundant*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

55. **DICTATORIAL:** *undemocratic*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

48. **CORDIAL:** *friendly, courteous*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

56. **DIDACTIC:** *instructive, inclined to lecture others too much*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

49. **COUP:** *a brilliant move, a successful and sudden attack*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

57. **DILATORY:** *slow, late in doing things*

\_\_\_\_\_

list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

50. **CURTAILED:** *cut short*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

58. **DILETTANTE:** *a dabbler in the fine arts, one who is not an expert*

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list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

59. **DILIGENT**: *hard-working, industrious*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

67. **EBULLIENCE**: *enthusiasm*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

60. **DISDAIN**: *to scorn*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

68. **ECLECTIC**: *selecting, choosing from various sources*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

61. **DISINGENUOUS**: *untruthful, insincere*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

69. **EFFUSIVE**: *unrestrained, enthusiastic*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

62. **DISPARAGE**: *to belittle, to put down*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

70. **EGREGIOUS**: *remarkably bad, outrageous*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

63. **DISPARATE**: *unequal*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

71. **EMBELLISH**: *to decorate*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

64. **DOGGED**: *single-minded, persistent*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

72. **EMOLLIENT**: *something that soothes or softens*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

65. **DOGMATIC**: *expressing opinions as if they are correct and cannot be doubted*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

73. **EMPHATIC**: *vehement, forceful*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

66. **DUBIOUS**: *doubtful, questionable*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

74. **EMULATE**: *to imitate*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

75. **ENERVATE**: *to weaken*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

83. **FACETIOUS**: *joking, sarcastic*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

76. **ENMITY**: *hostility, hatred*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

84. **FACILE**: *easy, effortless*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

77. **EPHEMERAL**: *temporary, short-lived*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

85. **FARCE**: *foolish show, mockery, a ridiculous sham*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

78. **EPIPHANY**: *revelation, appearance of a deity (God)*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

86. **FASTIDIOUS**: *hard to please*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

79. **EQUANIMITY**: *calmness, evenness of temperament*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

87. **FEASIBLE**: *capable of being accomplished, suitable*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

80. **EXCULPATE**: *free from blame, to vindicate*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

88. **FERAL**: *untamed, wild*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

81. **EXEMPLARY**: *worthy of imitation*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

89. **FLORID**: *flowery, ornate*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

82. **FABRICATED**: *to construct, to lie*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

90. **FRACTIOUS**: *irritable, quarrelsome, stubborn*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

91. FRANK: *forthright*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

99. GREGARIOUS: *sociable, friendly*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

92. FRENETIC: *frantic, wild*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

100. HACKNEYED: *trite, commonplace, overused*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

93. FURTIVE: *stealthy, secretive*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

101. HARBINGER: *an omen or a sign*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

94. FUTILE: *useless*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

102. HAUGHTY: *snobbish or arrogant*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

95. GARRULOUS: *talkative*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

103. HEINOUS: *hateful or abominable*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

96. GENRE: *an art form or class*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

104. HERESY: *sacrilege, dissent from accepted orthodoxy*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

97. GLOWER: *to frown, to stare angrily at*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

105. IDYLLIC: *charmingly simple or poetic*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

98. GRATUITOUS: *free of cost, unnecessary*

\_\_\_\_\_   
 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes

106. IMMUTABLE: *unchangeable*

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 list any prefixes, roots, or suffixes