



ACES Academic Enrichment Center

2019 Summer Enrichment Course Syllabus

Course Name: Advanced SAT/ACT Reading and Grammar for 6th – 8th Graders

Course Description

ACES Advanced SAT and ACT Reading and Grammar hones students' critical responses to different genres of literature most commonly encountered on the SAT and ACT: history and social sciences, literature, and science. Students will acquire the skill set of effective critical readers and identify the purpose of a passage, its intended audience, the tone of the author, and the implications a text may have. By the end of the course students will be more engaged as they read and, as a result, improve their overall comprehension of the text.

In addition to reading section skills, this class will also focus on the grammatical rules typically associated with the English section of the ACT or the Writing and Language section of the SAT in addition to other skills featured in the tests such as organization and order, conciseness, and cohesion. By the end of the course, students should feel more comfortable and be better prepared for the Reading and Grammar based sections of the SAT/ACT.

Course Objectives and Student Competencies

- Gain confidence and skill in the English and Reading parts of the SAT/ACT
- Become more fluent in use of advanced grammatical constructions and various genres of literature

Class Structure

Class begins with a review of the homework. We will spend each day focusing on various types of passages and questions for the reading or English portion of the test. Then we will do a section of the test together and review. Students will be expected to do timed passages for homework.

Date	Topics	Homework
7/15	Reading section strategies, fiction, and main idea questions	Exercise # 1
7/16	Science and history passages	Exercise #2
7/17	Finding evidence	Exercise #3
7/18	English/Writing and Language section strategies, common grammar questions	Exercise #4
7/19	Grammar Continued and revising questions	