



Tuesday's Tip

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Resources for Regents, AP, and SAT Exams

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Now is the time of year when high school students start to prepare for various standardized exams. MHLS member libraries have both print and online resources that can help students with this preparation.

New York State Regents Exams

The New York State Education Department does not appear to maintain a simple list of currently active exams, but this web page lists both current and recent exams. If you click on any exam, you can see when it was most recently given: those given in January 2013 are current exams. Also, students can view recent exams from this web page, along with answer keys:

<http://www.nysedregents.org/>

Here you can find the current testing schedule for the high school exams:

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/schedules/schedule-hs.html>

Some libraries have copies of Regents preparation books. Barron's is the primary publisher of these books, and they come in two formats: "Let's Review" and "Barron's Regents Exams and Answers". You can use the OPAC to find the latter books by searching for the keywords "regents" and the name of the exam. But not all the "Let's Review" books have the word "regents" in their bib records, so use a keyword search with the words "lets review" and the name of the test to find these books. Also remember to check the publication date or the volume of the books to be sure you are ordering the most recent editions.

Current exams (as of June 2013)

- Mathematics
 - Integrated Algebra
 - Geometry
 - Algebra 2/Trigonometry
- Science
 - Chemistry
 - Earth Science
 - Living Environment
 - Physics
- Social Studies
 - Global History & Geography
 - U.S. History & Government
- English Language Arts
 - Comprehensive English

Exams with the following titles are obsolete, so review books for these exams can safely be discarded:

- Math A and Math B
- Sequential Math (I, II, III)
- Biology that is not listed as “Living Environment” (prior to 2002)
- All foreign Languages (French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Latin, Spanish)

College Board AP Exams

A list of current AP courses can be found here:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse>

And a list of exam dates in 2013 (May 6-17) can be found here:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap/get-started/ap-calendar>

Some member libraries maintain print preparation books for AP exams: search the OPAC for the keywords “ap” and the name of the exam.

The **Testing and Education Reference Center** online database, available through HomeAccess, provides online practice tests and online books that students can use to prepare for some of the exams:

AP Exams Prep

The Advanced Placement (AP) program gives students the chance to earn college-level credits through a series of exams.

Benefits of the AP program:

- Earn college credit and advanced standing
- Enhance your college application
- Explore subjects at a more in-depth level
- Save time and money

Qualifying scores on AP exams may earn you credit and advanced standing at many colleges and universities. Check with the schools you're interested in to confirm specific requirements.

Online Practice Tests

Choose your test from the subjects listed below. There are 2 practice tests offered for each subject.

- [Biology](#)
- [Calculus AB](#)
- [Calculus BC](#)
- [Chemistry](#)
- [English Language and Composition](#)
- [English Literature and Composition](#)
- [European History](#)
- [Macroeconomics](#)
- [Microeconomics](#)
- [Physics B](#)
- [Physics C](#)
- [Psychology](#)
- [Spanish](#)
- [Statistics](#)
- [U.S. Government and Politics](#)
- [U.S. History](#)
- [World History](#)

Online Books

Choose your book from the list below.

- [AP European History](#)
- [AP World History](#)
- [Master AP Calculus AB & BC](#)
- [Master AP Chemistry](#)
- [Master AP English Language and Composition](#)
- [Master AP English Literature and Composition](#)
- [Master AP U.S. Government and Politics](#)
- [Master AP U.S. History](#)

Resources

- [Word of the Day](#)
- [Tips and Strategies](#)
- [Test Info, Dates, and Deadlines](#)

Articles

- [The Popularity of AP Classes is on the Rise](#)
- [Last-Minute Study Tips](#)
- [Beat Test Stress](#)

Related Links

- [The College Board](#)

College Board SAT Exams

SAT and SAT Subject Tests are offered multiple times during the year. Study materials and test dates can be found at the SAT web site:

<http://sat.collegeboard.org/home>

Some member libraries maintain print preparation books for SAT exams: a simple search of the OPAC for the keyword “sat” returns, as most relevant titles, items about the SAT exams.

The **Testing and Education Reference Center** online database, available through HomeAccess, provides online practice tests and online books that students can use to prepare for some of the exams:

SAT Prep

The SAT is a standardized college entrance exam that measures your knowledge and skills in math, reading, and writing, as well as your ability to apply these skills to future academic tasks.

Many colleges require and/or accept the SAT for admission. Check with the colleges you're interested in to learn more about specific requirements.

Online Practice Test

Get prepared with a set of 3 online practice tests.

- [SAT Practice Tests](#)

Online Course

Prepare for the SAT with highly personalized instruction in our online course.

- [SAT Online Course](#)

Online Books

Choose your book from the list below.

- [Master the SAT](#)
- [Master Critical Reading for the SAT](#)
- [Master Math for the SAT](#)
- [Master Writing for the SAT](#)
- [Ultimate New SAT Tool Kit](#)

Resources

- [Word of the Day](#)
- [Quick Quiz](#)
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- [Test Info, Dates, and Deadlines](#)

Articles

- [The SAT: What's What?](#)
- [Taking the SAT](#)
- [When Should I Take \(or Retake\) My Test?](#)
- [Last-Minute Study Tips](#)

Related Links

- [The College Board](#)

SAT Subject Tests Prep

The SAT Subject Tests allow you to prepare for college admission by demonstrating your knowledge in various subject areas.

Taking SAT Subject Tests may help you:

- Enhance your college application
- Determine placement in freshman-level courses
- Demonstrate achievement in specific subjects

Some colleges require SAT Subject Tests for admission, and others may view them as a supplement to the application. Check with your prospective colleges for specific testing requirements.

Online Practice Tests

Choose your test from the subjects listed below. There are 3 practice tests offered for each subject.

- [Biology E/M](#)
- [Chemistry](#)
- [French](#)
- [Literature](#)
- [Math Level 1](#)
- [Math Level 2](#)
- [Physics](#)
- [Spanish](#)
- [U.S. History](#)
- [World History](#)

Online Books

Choose your book from the list below.

- [Master the SAT Subject Test: Math Levels 1 and 2](#)
- [SAT II Success Literature](#)
- [SAT II Success Math](#)
- [SAT II Success Physics](#)
- [SAT II Success U.S. History](#)

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- [How to Beat Test Stress](#)
- [Master Standardized Tests](#)

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A note to collection managers: remember that standardized tests are updated periodically, so it is helpful to all MHLS patrons if you keep print copies current and discard outdated editions.