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Introduction

This book contains all the most important words that you need to know to successfully complete writing/essay part of SAT test.

This material is perfect for any serious candidate who does not wish to waste time researching and learning new vocabulary the traditional way. This book will make your learning more efficient with less of your own effort, which means more spare time to review other concepts.

We tried not to create just a regular dictionary with a bunch of words, but chose only the most necessary definitions from the official examination materials, and described them in the most accessible way.

Acrimonious

Marked by strong resentment or cynicism; someone or something is bitter or harsh in manner or speech, or rubs a person the wrong way.

Akrasia

Is a state of mind in which someone acts against their better judgment through the “weakness of will.”

Allegory

Is a story or picture with a hidden meaning. The characters in allegories are symbols which represent particular ideas.

Allusion

Is a figure of speech that makes a reference to a place, person, or event. This can be real or imaginary and may refer to anything, including fiction, folklore, historical events, or religious manuscripts (for example: *When she lost her job, she acted like*

a Scrooge, and refused to buy anything that wasn't necessary).

Ambivalence

Is a state of having simultaneous conflicting reactions, beliefs, or feelings towards some object. Stated another way, ambivalence is the experience of having an attitude towards someone or something that contains both positive and negative components. The term also refers to situations where “mixed feelings” of a more general sort are experienced, or where a person experiences uncertainty or indecisiveness.

Amend

Means to make minor changes to the text (piece of legislation, etc.) in order to make it more fair or accurate, or to reflect changing circumstances.