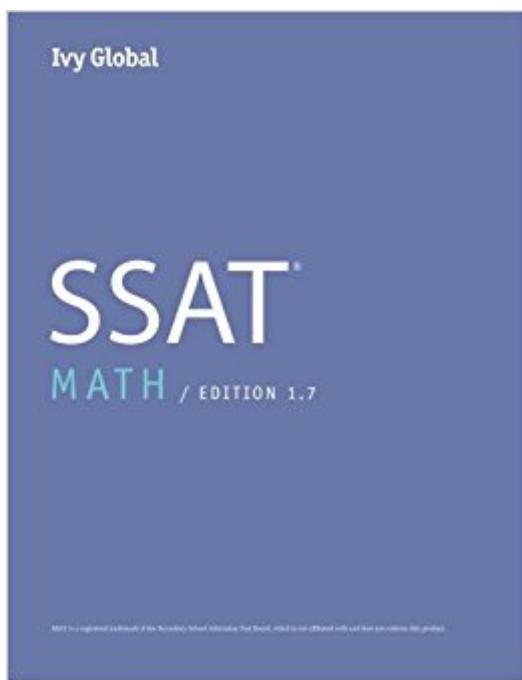


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## Customer Reviews

I purchased the three-part set of Math, English and Practice tests. So, this is a review of the set. Why a two-star review? Actually, it should be a two and a half star. Here's my rub with this set. This set covers both lower level and upper level material and, except for the practice tests and some other very limited areas, it's not clearly identified what material is lower level and what material is upper level. So, if your student is going to an independent middle school and then high school, this

set may be fine, except your student may find themselves covering upper level math when they should be focusing on the lower level math. Or, if your student is taking the upper level exam, they might find themselves wasting time on lower level math or vocabulary. It would be better to have separate lower level and upper level versions of the book because, unless you have two students - one of which is testing for middle school and the other for high school - only half of the material is of use (and it isn't clearly labeled which material is for which exam). At least the tests are labeled which level they are. However, since I bought this for my daughter who is testing for an independent high school, the lower level material is of no use and could be harmful in that she could find herself led to believe that the math or vocabulary will be easier than it really will be. I think a much better approach would be to have separate books for the lower level versus upper level.

The practice is decent but this book is horribly overpriced. You can find equally good quality review material online for free.

Too easy, not much challenge for my 7th grade daughter, overpriced.

Great book and I recommend this to every SSAT test taker.

## GOOD ITEM

In my opinion, this book is overpriced. As an SSAT and ISEE tutor, I can confidently say that lack of materials is absolutely the biggest problem. There are only a few official practice tests directly from the test makers (unlike the SAT, which has at least a dozen tests released at any time). While the tests in this book are comparable, both in level and in content, to the actual SSAT, the book itself is too expensive. A company called Test Prep Works (with whom I have no affiliation) offers complete practice tests that are just as good for less than half the price, plus they have books with strategies and extra practice sets. Ivy Global's materials seem to do a good job, but they're just not worth the cost.

This book is essential for studying for the SSAT. You need to get it. Why is this book so good? I'm an SSAT tutor. The single biggest difficulty in studying for the exam is the lack of practice materials. The official SSAT guide from SSAT.org only has two tests. Beyond that, I had my students buy five separate books (total price ~\$120) and they still ran out of practice materials. Further, many of the

practice questions in those books were not good. They differed significantly from the SSAT materials on the exam. And the strategies were not worth reading - typically those sections were written to fill space. The SSAT strategies in other guides are not what I would recommend for practice. This book series from Ivy Global has strategies I do recommend AND an ample amount of practice materials. This book covers every math concept you need for the SSAT. It comes with video and practice questions. The practice questions are well written and closely resemble the actual SSAT. The English SSAT book and the SSAT practice book (which you should also get - links are at the bottom of this review) offer even more practice materials and strategies. It would cost \$1,000-\$2,000 to study privately with a tutor or to take a class. These books offer everything you need, at a total cost of \$150. They're an investment in your child's future. I recommend everyone studying for the SSAT get the following four books: SSAT official guide, available from SSAT.org --> [...] Ivy Global SSAT Practice --> Ivy Global SSAT Practice (Prep Book) Ivy Global SSAT Math --> This book Ivy Global SSAT English --> Ivy Global SSAT English (Prep Book) Graeme Blake SSAT Instructor p.s. I want to say a word about price. A lot of parents balk at the cost of the three books. "\$150....but I normally pay \$10 for a book!". This is misguided. I teach SSAT classes and tutor students. Either option will cost you about \$1,000-\$2,000. And yet, if you had to choose between sending your child to me, or getting these books. I would tell you to get the books. These \$150 books have more value than a \$1500 course. Also, the equivalent books cost about \$120 anyway. If you just get one \$20 book you're putting your child at an immense disadvantage. And if your child is at a disadvantage, they will suffer in admissions. They may even get a smaller scholarship. That will cost your child tens of thousands of dollars. If you're sending your child to prep school, you're committing yourself to spend a vast amount of money on your child's education. Don't handicap them by flinching at spending \$150 on prep books. Nothing will get a return on investment like these books will.

This book is okay. Sadly, it is one of the best prep books out there for the SSAT. That said, it doesn't have a lot of competition. The problem with this book is that it has lower, middle, and upper level SSATs (2 of each). As such, only 2 tests in the book are relevant to any student in particular. This book might be more useful as a resource for a tutor than for a student.

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