**The 100 words below are a great starting point to help improve your SAT vocabulary words. Remember, the more words you know, the better you will do.**

1. [abate](http://www.yourdictionary.com/abate): reduce or lessen
2. abdicate: give up a position
3. aberration: something unusual, different from the norm
4. abhor: to really hate
5. abstain: to refrain from doing something
6. adversity: hardship, misfortune
7. aesthetic: pertaining to beauty
8. amicable: agreeable
9. anachronistic: out of the context of time, out of date
10. arid: very dry
11. asylum: sanctuary, place of safety
12. [benevolent](http://www.yourdictionary.com/benevolent): friendly, helpful
13. bias: a prejudice towards something or against something
14. boisterous: enthusiastic, loud
15. brazen: bold
16. brusque: short, rude
17. [camaraderie](http://www.yourdictionary.com/camaraderie): togetherness, trust, group dynamic of trust
18. canny: careful
19. capacious: very large, spacious
20. capitulate: surrender
21. clairvoyant: can predict the future
22. collaborate: work together
23. compassion: sympathy
24. compromise: meeting in the middle, settling differences
25. condescending: patronizing
26. conditional: contingent upon something else, contingent upon
27. conformist: someone who follows the majority
28. convergence: coming together
29. deleterious: harmful
30. [demagogue](http://www.yourdictionary.com/demagogue): rabble-rousing leader
31. digression: straying from main point
32. diligent: hard-working, dedicated
33. discredit: dishonor someone, prove something untrue
34. disdain: to regard with scorn
35. divergent: moving apart, going in different directions
36. empathy: feeling someone else’s feeling
37. emulate: following someone else's example
38. enervating: tiring
39. ephemeral: fleeting, temporary
40. [evanescent](http://www.yourdictionary.com/evanescent): not lasting long
41. exemplary: outstanding
42. extenuating: something that makes the situation not as bad
43. florid: ornate
44. forbearance: patience, restraint
45. fortitude: strength
46. fortuitous: lucky
47. foster: promote, aid
48. fraught: filled with
49. frugal: thrifty
50. hackneyed: clichéd
51. haughty: being arrogant, talking down to people
52. hedonist: person who acts in pursuit of pleasure
53. hypothesis: unproven theory, educated guess
54. impetuous: rash, impulsive
55. impute: to assign or attribute to someone
56. inconsequential: without consequence, trivial, doesn't matter
57. inevitable: unavoidable, definitely going to happen
58. intrepid: fearless
59. intuitive: knowing something by instinct
60. jubilation: extreme happiness, joy
61. lobbyist: person who takes one side or the other, and persuades government officials
62. longevity: long (particularly long life)
63. mundane: boring, ordinary
64. nonchalant: casual, calm, at ease
65. opulent: wealthy
66. orator: speaker
67. ostentatious: flaunting wealth
68. parched: freed from water, dried up
69. [perfidious](http://www.yourdictionary.com/perfidious): disloyal
70. pragmatic: practical
71. precocious: gifted/talented beyond one's years
72. pretentious: being self important, thinking you are better than others
73. procrastinate: to delay, often unnecessarily
74. prosaic: ordinary
75. prosperity: wealth
76. provocative: causes a fuss, inflammatory, likely to get people riled up
77. prudent: careful, wise
78. [querulous](http://www.yourdictionary.com/querulous): irritable, prone to argument
79. rancorous: hateful, unpleasant
80. reclusive: hermit, withdrawn
81. reconciliation: coming back together after a disagreement
82. renovation: being new, being redone
83. restrained: controlled, not free
84. reverence: deep respect
85. sagacity: wisdom
86. scrutinize: to look at carefully
87. spontaneous: being impulsive, acting without thinking
88. spurious: false, untrue
89. submissive: mild, meek
90. substantiate: to confirm, prove
91. subtle: shy, small, not showy
92. superficial: shallow
93. superfluous: unnecessary, too much
94. surreptitious: secret
95. tactful: polite
96. tenacious: persistent stubborn
97. transient: temporary, impermanent
98. venerable: respectable because of its age
99. vindicate: to free from blame
100. wary: careful, watchful