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AWAKENING OF A GIANT - INDIA IN THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES AND THE ASIAD



The Commonwealth Games, a sporting competition bringing together the members of the British Empire was first proposed in 1930s. The 1st ever Commonwealth Games was held in Hamilton, Canada with only 11 countries participating. It all started for India with a sole Bronze in 1934 in the second edition of the Commonwealth Games and now India has finally breached the 100-mark in the medals tally of the event in the latest edition to occupy the second position in the overall standings. India had finished fourth in the medal tables of the last two editions, but this time we saw the country's best performance ever in the event.

India hosted the Games for the first time this year and it was only the second time the event was held in Asia after

the 1998 Kuala Lumpur Games.

The 101 medals won by India in the sporting extravaganza included



38 Gold, 27 Silver and 36 Bronze, thus, proving the country's capital lucky for its participants.

The much awaited games started with an enthralling ceremony and ended at a very happy note thanks to our hard working athletes.

We were very lucky to witness two such great sporting victories by our country in a single year. The first being in the Commonwealth Games and the second in The Asian Games, which is more commonly known as 'The Asiad'. It is recognized by the Indian Olympic Committee (IOC) and is a sporting event in which only Asian countries participate.

Indian athletes gave a stunning performance in China (Asian games) after acquiring 64 medals and standing 6th in the overall medal tally. The medals included 14 Gold, 17 Silver and 33 Bronze. India's main catch lay in sports like hockey, archery, wrestling, athletics and shooting.

After playing host to the Beijing Olympics 2008, China made an amazing comeback with extravagant facilities and ceremonies after only two years of preparation.

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School Events



School visit to Jamtha stadium on 22nd and 23rd November:

It was a great experience to go out with our School mates. IBDP2 Physics students went to stadium only on 22nd and not on 23rd, when they performed practical in school.



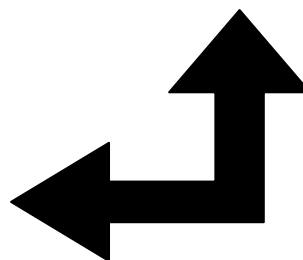
The whole school participated in walk-a-thon, organized on 26th November in memory of the martyrs of 26/11 Mumbai terrorist attack. The track was through MIHAN area of around 5 kilometers for seniors and 2.5 kilometers for juniors.



DP students organized a walkathon under the supervision of physical education in charge for whole school on 26th November.



Drawing competition was held in school and students from per-primary to 9th standard participated in it.



School Events, continued....



The group 4 project is an interdisciplinary activity in which all Diploma Programme science students must participate. The intention is that students from the different group 4 subjects analyse a common topic or problem.

The common theme of our group 4 project was plastic
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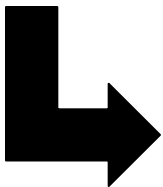
Group 4 project....

Quiz Competition

On 26/11/10, an Inter House quiz competition was organized in our school.

We had three groups- PYP, MS and DP.

There were three students from each house for the group. In PYP it was a tie. The scores were equal. In Middle School Ruby House was the winner. Also, in DP Ruby House won.



Do you need to take the SAT?

What is SAT?

The SAT Reasoning Test is a standardized test for college admissions in the United States. Nearly every college in America accepts the SAT or Subject Tests as a part of its admissions process. That's why more than two million students take the SAT every year. Today's SAT is divided into two categories: SAT Reasoning Test, and SAT Subjects Tests. SAT is held 6 times in a year: May, June, October, November, December and January. Most colleges require the SAT - Reasoning Test for admission and many other schools require both the SAT - Reasoning Test and SAT - Subject Test for

admission purposes or placement. Additionally, some colleges require specific Subject Test tests while others allow you to choose which tests you take. So it is always better to check directly with the school.

Each section of the SAT is scored on a scale of 200-800, with two writing sub scores for multiple-choice and the essay. It is administered seven times a year in the U.S., Puerto Rico, and U.S. Territories, and six times a year overseas.

SAT structure

SAT consists of three major sections: Mathematics, Critical Reading, and Writing. Each section receives a score on the scale of 200-800. All scores are multiples of 10. Total scores are calculated by adding up scores of the three sections. The SAT is made up of multiple choice questions including verbal and mathematics, and the entire exam lasts approximately four hours.

Eligibility

SAT (SAT Reasoning Test or SAT subjects Test or both) is typically taken by high school juniors and seniors.

- Indian students who have completed their 12 years of school education successfully from any recognized Indian board or university, or those who are in grade 11 or 12 currently, can take SAT for admission in the different streams available in to various American colleges.
- There are no criteria of minimum marks etc. for appearing in the SAT Reasoning Test or SAT Subject Tests, but several colleges need a good SAT

score along with a good academic record.

- You can take the test as many times as you want. Your score report shows your current test score, in addition to scores for up to six SAT I and six Subject Test administrations. The total testing time for the SAT I is 3 hours and 45 minutes.

Benefits of a High SAT score

A high SAT score will increase the chances of admission to top universities.

There are good chances of getting some kind of financial assistance with a high SAT score.

Visa Officers also give weightage to high SAT scores while considering Visa applications.

How important are my SAT scores?

Each institution decides the importance of SAT scores. The SAT is just one of many admissions requirements, it is not the only measure. Considerations made for international students:- Degree of English proficiency can affect testing- SAT was developed for students educated in the United States, and international students have different cultural and educational backgrounds. See the college's website to know their standards.



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In addition to helping you meet college admission requirements, there are other benefits associated with taking the SAT as well. For example, once you register for the test, you can access to valuable financial aid and scholarship information. You also gain access to helpful tools that you can use when searching for a college or when trying to select the major you might be interested in.

Another benefit to taking the SAT

is that it is a good predictor of how successful you will be in college. By looking at your scores and the requirements for the colleges you are interested in attending, you can be certain to select a college that will provide you with the challenge you need to take your education to the next level without being overly demanding or difficult for you to complete.

The reality is that you really have nothing to lose by taking the SAT, except for the fees that are associated with taking the test. Therefore, if your budget can afford for you to take the test, it is a good idea to take it even if it is not truly necessary. If you are tight on funds, on

the other hand, check with the college you wish to attend before taking the test because it may not be a requirement.

An Achievement Test by any other name... The SAT II is a set of more than 20 different tests focusing on specific disciplines such as English, History and Social Sciences, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, and Foreign Languages. Each Subject Test lasts one hour and consists entirely of multiple-choice questions, except for the Writing Test, which has a 20-minute essay section in addition to a 40-minute multiple-choice section.

How does the SAT II differ from SAT I?

SAT I is largely a test of verbal and math skills. True, you need to know some vocabulary and some formulas for the SAT I, but it's designed to measure how well you read and think rather than what you know. The SAT II is very different. It's designed to measure what you know about specific disciplines. Sure, critical reading and thinking skills play a part on these tests, but their main purpose is to determine exactly what you know about writing, math, history, chemistry, and so on.

How do Colleges use the SAT II?

Many people will tell you that the SATs (I and II alike) measure only your ability to perform on standardized exams--that they measure neither your reading & thinking skills

nor your level of knowledge. Maybe they're right. But these people don't work for colleges. Those schools that require SATs feel that they're an important indicator of your ability to succeed in college. Specifically, they use your scores in one or both of two ways:

- To help them make admissions decisions
- To help them make placement decisions

Like the SAT I, the SAT II: Subject Tests provide schools with a standard measure of academic performance, which they use to compare you to applicants from different high schools and different educational backgrounds. This information helps them to decide whether you're ready to handle their curriculum.

SAT II scores may also be used to decide what course of study is appropriate for you once you've been ad-

mitted. A low score on the Writing Test, for example, may mean that you have to take a remedial English course. Conversely, a high score on the Math Level IIC Test may mean that you'll be exempted from an introductory math course.

What SAT II subject tests should I take?

The simple answer is: Take the ones that you'll do well on. From my personal experience, I'd say that give the tests in those subjects that you are studying at 'HL' in the IB. If you can get a 7 in an IB HL course, chances are that you'll get 750+ on the Subject test, which is an incredibly solid score. I personally know people who've got 800s on SAT IIs, mostly after studying the relevant IB HL course!

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	Name	Admissions Rate(%)	SAT Total 25-75th percentile	SAT Critical Reading 25-75th percentile	SAT Math 25-75th percentile	SAT Subject Tests Re-quired	Early Decision(ED) Early Action(EA)
1	Harvard University Cambridge, MA	8.8	2100-2380	700-806	700-790	2	
2	Yale University New Haven, CT	8.9	2080-2370	700-790	690-790	2	EA
3	Princeton University Princeton, NJ	9.7	2080-2360	690-790	700-790	2	
4	Stanford University Stanford, CA	10.3	2000-2310	660-760	680-790	Recommended	EA
5	Columbia University New York, NY	11.6	1990-2290	660-760	670-780	2	ED
6	Massachusetts Institute of Technology Cambridge, MA	12.5	2040-2310	660-760	720-800	2	EA
7	Washington University in St Louis Saint Louis, MO	17.3	2055-2295	680-750	690-780	Recommended	ED
8	Dartmouth College Hanover, NH	15.7	2020-2320	670-770	680-780	2	ED
9	University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA	16.0	1990-2270	650-750	680-770	2	ED
10	California Institute of Technology Pasadena, CA	16.9	2150-2350	700-780	770-800	2	EA

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So, just keep writing.....

Have Fun !!



Ever Wondered? (Ironic jokes)

Why the sun lightens our hair, but darkens our skin?

Why women can't put on mascara with their mouth closed?

Why you don't ever see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery"?

Why they are called apartments when they are all stuck together?

If con is the opposite of pro, is Congress the opposite of progress?

Why lemon juice is made with artificial flavour, while dishwashing liquid is made with real lemons?

Why you have to click on "Start" to stop Windows 7?

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