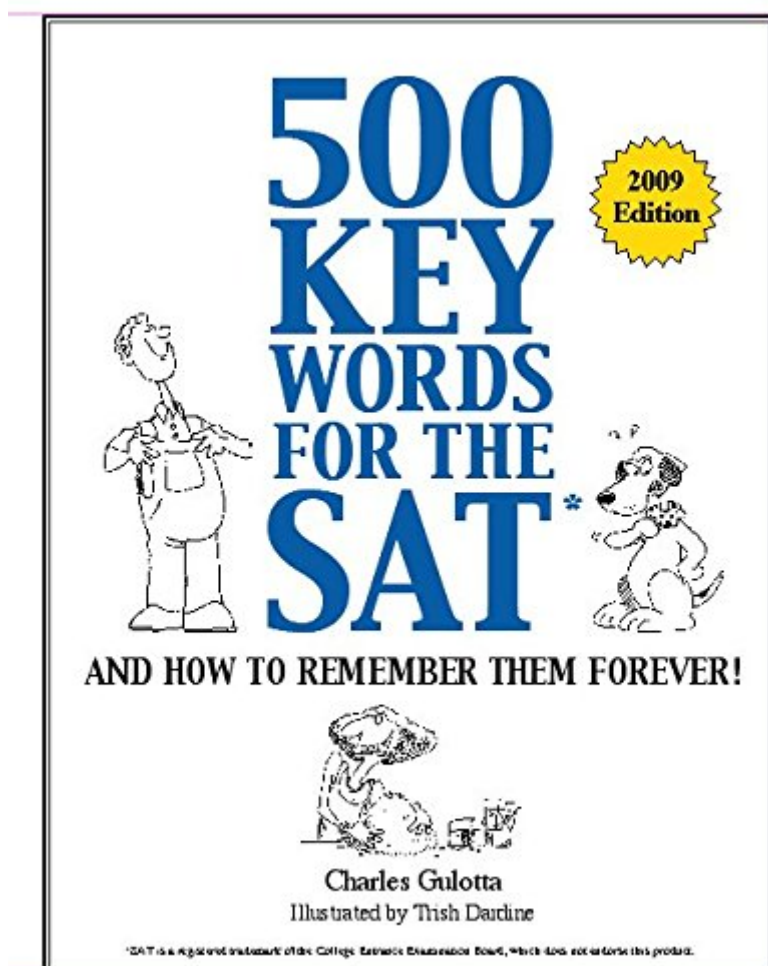


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500 Key Words For The SAT



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Uses visual images and funny stories to build a bridge between each unfamiliar word and its meaning. Also points out look-alike and sound-alike words and provides alternate parts of speech and sample sentences. More than one hundred cartoons and a section on strategies for the SAT add to the effectiveness of this powerful vocabulary-building tool. More than 85,000 copies sold since original publication in 1992!

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Customer Reviews

We have been using this book for a few months now and we are really enjoying it. Studying SAT words is the one homework activity my daughters never complain about. I know it works--they are only 9 and 10 years old, and they are having no problems learning these big words. They are now using words like "acrimonious" in everyday conversation. I like to remind them and my high school students the sage advice the author offers in the introduction--these words are not hard, they are just unfamiliar, and the mnemonics in this book do an unparalleled job of making them

familiar. Background: I am a high school teacher and homeschool dad.

This book was a requirement for one of my son's classes. Now I see why. It's a little silly sometimes, but it's a great way to learn and hopefully remember the words.

Threw the kids this and told 'em if they don't get an academic scholarship for college it's off to work in the local tannery, rendering meat to make Jell-O. This is a very practical tool for expanding vocabulary--not just for kid looking to increase their verbal scores, but for jumped up bumpkins like me looking to sound all smart and ejicated at fancy art gallery openings and various high-falutin' soirees.

This book was truly amazing. The puns they have are funny, creative, and intelligent; the author really helps you remember the words forever! There are also some great SAT test prep tips in the last few pages. I highly recommend this to anyone who wants to improve his or her SAT reading score, or simply build vocabulary. This does take awhile to memorize it all, so leave 3-4 weeks of time to get through it all plus review it.

I bought this book to help my children improve their vocabulary. We learn 5 words each day at dinner. I give the book 3 stars because it is a good resource, and simple enough for my kids to use. It is not 5 stars, because many of the mnemonics used are strange or need mnemonics of their own. It seems other people like the memory devices based upon the reviews, but I just don't find them very useful. In fact, we rarely use them. We make up our own.

This mnemonic technique really works. Turning things into pictures to remember them goes back to ancient Greece and Rome when they used this memory method in rhetoric training so they could remember long speeches. If it was good enough for them, it should be good enough for us.

My son's AP English teacher insisted that buy this book and learn these words. Having taught SAT Prep classes myself, I also recommend this book. It's a great resource but it has to be studied (like an SAT prep material) or it won't work.

Very good for ESL learners

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