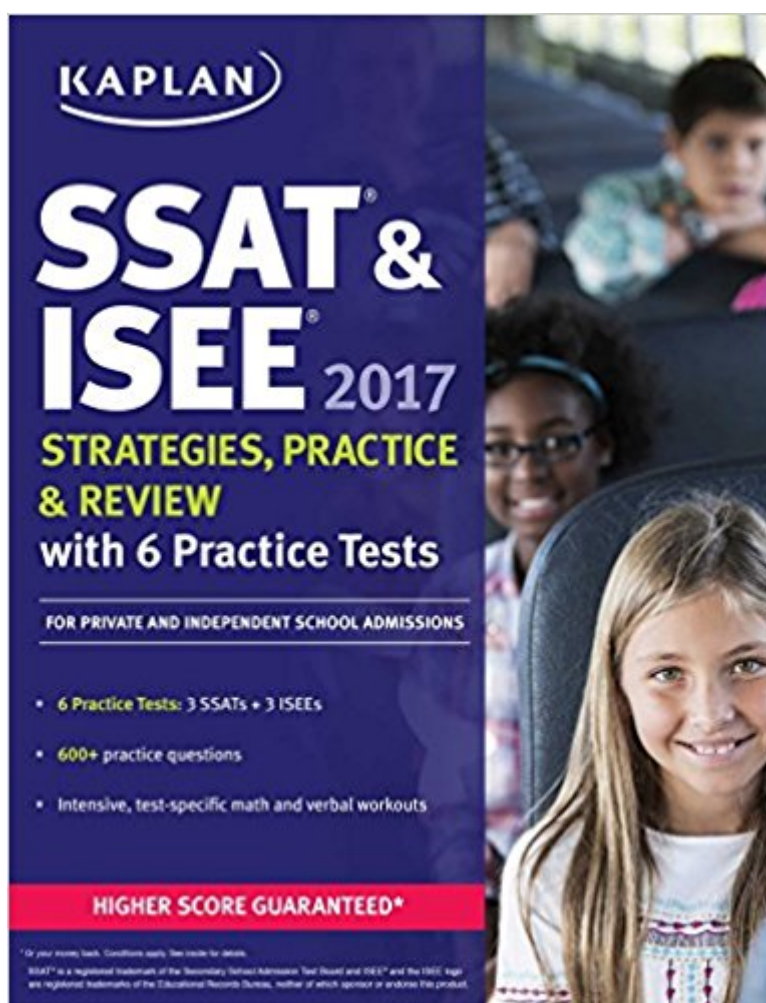


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Bought (Upper Level) for my 8th grader. Very good book. I did purchase 20 hours of private tutoring for my son, but this book was an excellent supplement to augment the tutoring. Knocked 1 point off simply because it would have been more helpful with another test or two. The rare ISEE book that isn't both ISEE AND SSAT. Therefore, you get a lot more bang for your buck! Recommended.

The Kaplan books are first-rate. Indispensable.

Good transfer... good product!!!Very fast tracking

This book claims to have 6 practice tests, but they are for 6 completely different tests. There is only one test for the lower level ISEE, one for the middle level ISEE, one for the upper level ISEE, one for the upper level SSAT, etc. I bought this book not realizing that I would only be able to get use of one of the 6 practice tests. Had I known, I probably wouldn't have bothered since there are other books out there that don't have tons of irrelevant content.

Very useful

My son got 72% in his SSAT, but he also had one on one 6 session tutoring

My kids used an earlier edition of this book and got great scores and were accepted into the elite prep school of their choice. This edition is not a lot changed from a few years ago, but is still extremely well laid-out and thorough. One comment that might help buyers looking at this book is to understand that your child will probably not have 6 practice tests to take with this book, but probably only 1 practice test. This is because each of the 6 practice tests in the book targets a different level and test. Since my kids take the SSAT, the ISEE tests are not what I'm looking for, so that's 3 of the tests useless to me. For the SSAT, a child will be taking a specific level of the test depending on what grade they will be entering, and the other 2 level tests are just so much wasted paper. Since I have 2 children at different levels who may be taking the SSAT, I'll at least get to use 2 of the practice tests, but for most people a large chunk of this book will be useless. Since the how-to portion of the book is generic to all the different tests, it might be hard for students only taking the elementary level to know how much will apply to them. If you are planning to use this with a younger child, you may want to read through the sample Elementary test first so that you understand the difficulty of the questions, and then go back through the first part of the book together with your child, taking it slowly and not getting hung up on examples that use overly difficult vocabulary, etc. Also, you can just skip the chapters on Algebra and Vocabulary. My biggest criticism of this book, which is somewhat related to the inclusion of all the useless tests, is that it doesn't do a great job of clarifying how much the younger students need to know. It looks like the book is basically written to students taking the upper level tests, and they just include the elementary test for the sake of selling more books to parents of younger kids. The book would've been much better if it had been broken

into two (or, heck, even three) different books, each targeting the specific age group. Third and fourth graders are going to be overwhelmed by this book, and I'm not even sure they can get much out of it without an adult reading and summarizing the content. There are few to no concessions for younger students. For students who are preparing for the upper test (like mine did), this is a very thorough guide (for the first 290 pages) with one helpful practice test.

My daughter used the previous edition last summer to prepare for the test in Fall 2016, *and she got a 99 on the SSAT!* She was later accepted at the prep school of her choice. That book, along with some drills on freerice.com, were all she used to prepare. She came from a public middle school. The book is laid out well and it's easy to follow. In addition to providing sample tests to take, it explains the penalty for wrong answers and gives various strategies for taking the test. There is a section to track study time. The best part (in our opinion) is that the answers to the sample questions are all explained (in a clear way). So if your child misses an answer, he or she can figure out why. The results of the tests will also help you determine which areas of study your child needs to focus on. The book is at least as good as the former edition. There is an emphasis on geometry in the math section, because they've analyzed past tests and that's the type of question your child is most likely to encounter. I can verify that my child did the most poorly with geometry because it wasn't taught in her school; this book gives them an extra chance to learn what they need. (Most poorly meant she "only" scored 94 in that section, but her vocabulary score was actually perfect.) The book contains words to study and definitions. Clearly, we can't complain, but if for some reason your child doesn't benefit from the book, Simon & Schuster will actually refund your money within 90 days if you return it with the receipt and explain why. Highly recommend this useful guide!

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