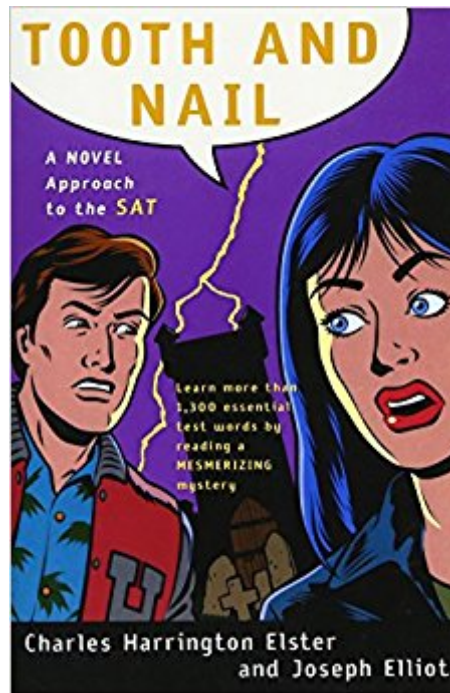




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Customer Reviews

Abate, abhor, abject, abridge, abstemious ... still awake? Good, because now there's a better way to learn all those words than plowing through those never-ending vocabulary lists devised by torture experts. *Tooth and Nail: A Novel Approach to the New SAT* is just what it says it is: a guide to the big, bad SAT words in the form of a mystery novel. Follow Caitlin and Phil's exploits as they wend their way through their first year of college and find intrigue behind the curtain of academia. As you do, you'll find a few words in boldface, each of which is defined and compared with other words in a glossary in the back of the book. Seeing the word in its context and immediately finding a definition is a much more satisfying way to learn than just to read word after unconnected word--you might as well read the dictionary! A preface explains in greater detail how best to use the book, and there are helpful SAT-style exercises in antonyms, analogies, and comprehension, so this makes a great all-around verbal package for the serious test-taker. If you must take the test, you might as well have a little fun doing it, and by the time you've finished *Tooth and Nail*, you'll be glad it doesn't end

as a list: "...wizened, wreak, writhe, zeal, zealous." --Rob Lightner

"Looking for a way to augment your vocabulary? Well, here is a novel approach: A mystery story, at once whimsical and elucidating, filled with hundreds of SAT examiners' favorite test words." -Los Angeles Times Congratulations. You have just done something very smart--something commendable and meritorious, as the people who write the SAT would probably put it. The book you're holding in your hands offers you a fun, effective way to prepare for the SAT. As you read this mystery, you will encounter more than 1,300 words commonly found on the SAT, each one highlighted in boldface. The best part is, you'll remember the words better because you've learned each one in context, or in relation to the other words around it. And one thing the SAT will always test is your ability to comprehend what you read, and your knowledge of words in context. Did you ever imagine you could study for the SAT by reading a mystery novel? If that sounds like a better way to go, look inside. Charles Harrington Elster is the author of various popular books about language and vocabulary, including *Test of Time: A Novel Approach to the SAT and ACT*. He co-hosts a weekly public radio show on language in San Diego, where he lives with his wife and daughters. Joseph Elliot has taught English at the grade school, high school, and college levels, and developed curricula for one of the country's leading test-preparation programs. He lives in New York City with his wife and sons.

Well-written and a fairly entertaining read (not that I was expecting an exciting plot). After about four chapters, I got fed up with looking in the back for the definitions. I wish the definitions were footnotes instead of end-notes--I think I would be more willing to read them. There are so many words--both in the book and the test--that I don't think the chances are too great that a word I remembered from the book would actually be on the test. Bottom line: It definitely won't hurt to read it and there's a possibility it would help. If anything, use it as a break from endless hours of SAT prep! Good luck SAT-ers!

I bought this book for my granddaughter in high school to help her with upcoming tests. I read it and think it's a cute story.

Bought this for my son as a SAT Prep. It is supposed to build vocabulary through context. My wife enjoyed it. My son has not yet picked it up. His older sister read it and received a perfect score on the SAT. The book may have helped, but I don't expect it to have the same result with my son.

Interesting Who Dun It that meets its purpose.

Excellent seller! Super fast shipping! Highly recommended! Thank You!

My son says it's a good book and quite interesting.

My daughter had to read this for summer reading going into 10th grade. After reading other reviews, I was expecting her to hate this book, but fortunately this was not the case. She enjoyed the book, although the bolded words were a little distracting.

Every engineer might gain from reading this.

I always recommend this to High School kids to read and prepare for the SAT and ACT, and college prep..

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