SAT Skill: Expression-of-ideas

What's Tested

Improving clarity, cohesion, and style in passages.

What Makes This Tricky

Choices may all be grammatically correct; the challenge is clarity and logic.

Strategy Steps

- 1. Ask: what improves clarity?
- 2. Remove redundancy
- 3. Pick the smoothest connection

Example Question

The committee was (absolutely certain / certain) about its decision.

Walkthrough

Correct: 'certain' \rightarrow concise is better. Trap: 'absolutely certain' is redundant.

Wrap-up

Tip: Prefer clear, concise phrasing.