**Based On SAT Writing Real Test (March 2019)**

**Vocabulary**

1. **Mesmerize – to have someone's attention completely so that they cannot think of anything else.**

Sentence example – I was completely mesmerized by the performance.

1. **Spectacle – an unusual or unexpected event or situation that attracts attention, interest, or disapproval.**

Sentence example – We witnessed the extraordinary spectacle of an elderly lady climbing a tree to rescue her cat.

1. **Skyscraper – a very tall modern building, usually in a city.**

Sentence example – In Hong Kong, there is also a plan to build a skyscraper over 480 meters tall.

1. **Embrace – to accept something enthusiastically.**

Sentence example – This was an opportunity that he would embrace.

1. **Clench – to close or hold something very tightly, often in a determined or angry way.**

Sentence example – The old man clenched his fist and waved it angrily at us.

1. **Cling – to stick onto or hold something or someone tightly, or to refuse to stop holding it, him, or her.**

Sentence example – She clung to the handrail as she walked down the slippery steps.

1. **Adhere – to stick firmly.**

Sentence example – A smooth, dry surface helps the tiles adhere to the wall.

1. **Flimsy – very thin, or easily broken or destroyed.**

Sentence example – You won't be warm enough in that flimsy dress.

1. **Incorporate –** **to include something as part of something larger.**

Sentence example – Suggestions from the survey have been incorporated into/in the final design.

1. **Pentathlon – an Olympic sport that includes five events: swimming, fencing (= fighting with long thin swords), showjumping (= riding horses over fences), and cross-country running (= running a long distance in the countryside) combined with shooting.**

Sentence example – The pentathlon was created by the International Olympic Committee's founder Baron Pierre de Coubertin.

1. **Ineligible – not allowed to do or have something, according to particular rules.**

Sentence example – He was declared ineligible for the competition because he worked for the company that ran it.

1. **Rescind – to make a law, agreement, order, or decision no longer have any (legal) power. (cancel)**

Sentence example – The policy of charging air travelers for vegetarian meals proved unpopular and has already been rescinded.

1. **Tepid – not very good or strong.**

Sentence example – They are struggling to boost profits amid tepid sales.

1. **Triumphant – having achieved a great victory (= winning a war or competition) or success, or feeling very happy and proud because of such an achievement.**

Sentence example – It seemed as though the whole city had turned out for their team's triumphant homecoming.

1. **Consign – to send something to someone.**

Sentence example – The goods have been consigned to you by air.

1. **Obscurity – the state of not being known to many people.**

Sentence example – He was briefly famous in his twenties but then sank into obscurity.