

Simon

ACADEMICS

School Year 2020 - 2021

Sign up at WWW.SIMONABC.COM

More Classes Will Open When Listed Classes Fill
All Classes May Be Taken On Skype!

Class	Grade	Day	Time	Teacher	Size	Rate
Writing	2-5	M	6:00 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	2-5	Tu	4:30 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Reading	2-5	W	4:30 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	2-5	Th	6:00 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	2-5	Th	7:05 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	2-5	F	7:05 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	M	3:25 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	Tu	3:25 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	Tu	6:00 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	4-7	Tu	6:00 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	4-7	Tu	6:00 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Reading	4-7	Tu	7:05 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	W	3:25 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	W	4:30 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	4-7	W	6:00 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Reading	4-7	W	6:00 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	4-7	W	7:05 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	4-7	W	8:15 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	4-7	Th	3:25 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	Th	4:30 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	F	6:00 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	4-7	F	6:00 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	4-7	F	8:15 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	7-9	M	4:30 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	Tu	4:30 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	Tu	8:15 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	Tu	8:15 p.m.	Simon	∞	
Writing	7-9	W	4:30 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	W	6:00 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	7-9	W	7:05 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	Th	4:30 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Reading	7-9	Th	6:00 p.m.	Advani	8:1	
Writing	7-9	Th	8:15 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	F	3:25 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	7-9	F	4:30 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	7-9	F	8:15 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	9-12	M	7:05 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
SAT/ACT	9-12	M	9:20 p.m.	Zybul	∞	
Writing	9-12	Tu	7:05 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	9-12	W	8:15 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
SAT/ACT	9-12	W	9:20 p.m.	Zybul	∞	
Writing	9-12	Th	7:05 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S
Writing	9-12	Th	8:15 p.m.	Simon	∞	
Writing	9-12	F	4:30 p.m.	Zybul	8:1	
Writing	9-12	F	8:15 p.m.	Simon	8:1	S

5% Loyalty Discount (previous full-school-year students signing up for a new full school year)

5% Brother/Sister Discount (sorry, no cousins or friends)

3% Summer Discount (individual students taking 10+ lessons in summer 2020 get 3% off the school year)

8% Monday Discount (for full school year Monday classes - due to Monday holidays)

\$200 Additional Class Discount (before June 1st, add a second full school year 2020-21 class for the same student for an additional \$1199 instead of \$1399, in addition to the full first class 2020-21 fee. \$1699 + \$1199)

All prices are pre-paid.			
Packages (# of Classes)	Normal Rate	Simon Rate	Private (No Simon)
Full School Year (37 Classes)	\$1699	\$3,499	\$3,799
Additional full school year class	+\$1399		
Before June 1st!	+\$1199		
Half School Year (18 Classes)	\$999		\$2,199
Starter Package (5 Classes)	\$349		
College/Educational Counseling/Applications & Essays			
Hourly Counseling or Essay and Application Help			\$599
Full Year Unlimited Counseling (No Applications)			\$2,999
UC Application and Essays (All UCs)			\$9,999
Additional Application/Essay for 1 School			\$1,999
Up to 20 Universities + UCs			\$19,999

All classes are 1 hour, once per week.

Writing Classes prepare students for honors, AP, and college writing. Teaching across all grades means that, even with second graders, we have their futures in mind. We cover literary response, persuasive, expository, creative, and personal narrative essay writing, varying by grade level. Prompts are derived from released SAT, ACT, and AP exams as well as our own curriculum. Classes start with editing student writing on a large screen for about 45 minutes. Students see editing of their own work and other student's work, learning from everybody's strengths and weaknesses. Then we teach a lesson focusing on next steps, areas of struggle, or a new form of writing, depending on the week. Finally we assign homework, which takes 1-2 hours per week total to complete. Homework includes editing, new writing, and news reading with analysis.

Reading Classes develops a love of reading through fiction and non-fiction books, improving fluency, expression, comprehension, vocabulary acquisition, metacognition, and analysis. We read aloud in a round-robin format with every student and the teacher taking turns. The teacher guides by modeling aloud the thinking skills of good readers, including using context, word roots, and metacognition. Homework covers reading and vocabulary, with minimal writing. This is not a test preparation class.

Private Classes provide homework help, personalized curriculum, customized pacing, and accommodations for special needs. Mathematics is taught only in private classes. Call or email for availability. Mr. Simon does not teach private classes.

SAT/ACT Classes provide practice, test-taking techniques, and advice for both college entrance exams. These classes are especially useful for students who have already taken a quality boot camp. We offer private SAT and ACT tutoring and a summer boot camp.

College Counseling covers choosing extracurricular activities, classes, and summer programs, scheduling testing, career planning, goal setting, private school and college selection, and assessment of weaknesses and strengths. Assistance with college applications and personal statements is available. We recommend receiving counseling starting in middle school or by 9th grade at the latest. Several different packages are available. Typically students take 6-10 hours of counseling per year.

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Simon Academics Policies and FAQ

Refunds and Missed Classes: No refunds, credits, or extensions for missed classes. Make-up classes are not guaranteed but may be requested. Up to 3 make-up class requests may be granted per school year. They expire at the end of the period paid or end of the school year, whichever comes first. Additional make-up classes beyond the first three will each incur a \$20 fee each. Refunds and temporary stops must be requested at least two weeks in advance. There is \$100 fee for pausing, refunding, or stopping classes. Stops must be at least 5 weeks long, and students lose their class spots. This applies to all classes including private sessions.

For cancellations and refunds, normal rate classes receive \$25 per remaining class after two weeks' notice, minus a \$100 fee. Simon rate and private classes receive \$43 per remaining class after two weeks' notice, minus a \$100 fee. If your child stops attending classes, their spot is still reserved and their classes are still deducted until you notify us of your cancellation or a pause.

Pick Up and Drop Off: Students must be dropped off and picked up within 5 minutes of class time. For safety, an adult must walk children into the office for pick up and drop off. Vehicles may not stop in front of the office for drop-offs and pick-ups and may not honk for pickup. Parents must let all drivers know this rule. Children must stay in the waiting rooms before and after class, not in the lobby. Late pickups incur a \$1/minute charge.

Privacy: Simon Academics may freely use student work as well as photos, videos, and recordings of students for blogging, advertising, training and educational purposes, without compensation to the student or guardians.

Student Behavior: Students are expected to listen to and obey teachers, complete all assigned work, and exert appropriate levels of effort. Students who are rude, disruptive, or dangerous may be asked to leave class temporarily or permanently, and there will be NO REFUNDS for behavior-related expulsions and suspensions. There is no eating on Simon Academics property except when the food is provided by Simon Academics. Do not bring any drinks but water, and water must be consumed before or after class, not during.

When can I sign up a new student?

Sign up as soon as possible. You will not be billed until we know there is a spot. The sooner you sign up, the higher your priority. We will sort through priority groups two weeks after signups start. Then we will contact and invoice you.

When and how do I pay?

Once we send an invoice to you, you have 48 hours to pay. If you do not pay within that time, you may lose your spot. We do not hold spots for longer.

Payments are through Bill & Pay using ACH transfers, which are free. Credit card transactions take a 4% charge. Checks take a \$10 charge.

What is the ∞ for class ratios?

Most classes have an 8:1 student to teacher ratio. Some classes with Mr. Simon have up to 23 students in the classroom with more (no limit) joining via Skype. These classes use the ∞ symbol.

Can I pay for a part of the school year?

For normal rate classes, you may pay for 5 classes at a time, half a school year, or a full school year. The classes must be taken every week. There is no spreading them out through the school year. All rates are prepaid. To get the full school year rate, you must prepay the full school year. If you sign up for half a school year, you will have to pay the same rate for the second half. Simon rate classes must pay for a full school year to enroll. Priority goes to students signing up for a full school year.

Which grade level should I enroll my child in?

Each class has a grade range: 2-5, 4-7, 7-9, and 9-12. Stronger students fit into the lower end and weaker students fit into the top. Placing a child in an overly difficult class does not help them. Most sixth grade students will be highly challenged in a grade 4-7 class, and a 7-9 class will be frustrating. Second or third grade is a good time to start writing classes. Starting later allows bad habits to solidify.

Should I start with reading or writing? Private or group classes?

It depends on the child. Most parents and students are happiest starting with group writing classes as the learning results are visible on the page. Group classes meet the needs of most children. Private classes are best for kids who struggle or need homework help. There are very few private spots available.

What about math?

We have found that math is most effectively taught in private classes. Please contact us for available times.

What are these different rates?

The Simon rate is for Mr. Simon's 8:1 classes. The normal rate is for Mr. Simon's large groups and all other classes.

Why these prices?

We hire experienced, professional teachers and pay them living wages in the Bay Area. Finding, training, and retaining good teachers is difficult, limiting our supply. We offer a variety of price points and teacher choices, so you have many options. All our teachers impart knowledge and skills.

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FIRST WEEK 8/24-8/28

CLOSED 9/7

OPEN 11/11

OPEN 11/20

CLOSED 11/21 to 11/29

OPEN 12/18

CLOSED 12/19 to 1/3

OPEN 1/17

CLOSED 1/20

OPEN 2/12

CLOSED 2/15

OPEN 4/2

CLOSED 4/3 to 4/11

OPEN 5/28

CLOSED 5/31

LAST DAY 6/4

Numbered dates have classes.

AUGUST 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	24	25	26	27	28	
	31					
SEPTEMBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	
	8	9	10	11		
	14	15	16	17	18	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	28	29	30			
OCTOBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	
	5	6	7	8	9	
	12	13	14	15	16	
	19	20	21	22	23	
	26	27	28	29	30	
NOVEMBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	2	3	4	5	6	
	9	10	11	12	13	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	30					
DECEMBER 2020						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	
	7	8	9	10	11	
	14	15	16	17	18	
JANUARY 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	4	5	6	7	8	
	11	12	13	14	15	
	18	19	20	21	22	
	25	26	27	28	29	
FEBRUARY 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	
	8	9	10	11	12	
		16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
MARCH 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	
	8	9	10	11	12	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
	29	30	31			
APRIL 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	
	12	13	14	15	16	
	19	20	21	22	23	
	26	27	28	29	30	
MAY 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	3	4	5	6	7	
	10	11	12	13	14	
	17	18	19	20	20	
	24	25	26	27	28	
JUNE 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	