



LSAT 170+ Curriculum Planning

Lesson 1 - Anatomy of an Argument

Lesson 1 kicks off our LSAT journey with guidance on utilizing course materials effectively so you get the most from them. Then, we'll delve into the essentials of Logical Reasoning, starting with the foundations of arguments. We'll learn to identify main points, understand the function of statements within arguments, and describe argument structures, setting the stage for advanced analysis.

Seminar 1 - Review, Reflect, Refine, Repeat

Seminar 1 is all about optimizing your study approach. You'll learn efficient practice strategies tailored for your progress and discover the value of reflective review. We discuss the Lessons Learned Journal as a transformative tool to track growth and reflections. The seminar culminates in a hands-on guided practice session, applying these techniques to cement the knowledge from Lesson 1 and ensuring your study time translates into genuine skill development.

Lesson 2 - Tag, You're It!

In Lesson 2, we'll jump right into the Reading Comprehension section, revealing techniques for efficient tagging and understanding Antithesis passages. We'll sharpen your Logical Reasoning skills by teaching anticipation strategies and exploring the concept of logical force, giving you the tools to better navigate complex arguments on the LSAT.

Seminar 2 - Give It To Me in English

In Seminar 2, we tackle the challenge of jargon and complex language on the LSAT. Learn the art of simplifying dense text into digestible, understandable pieces. We equip you with strategies to untangle convoluted sentences, aiming for clarity in comprehension. With that skill in hand, engage in guided practice sessions, applying these techniques in real time to help you navigate the complexities of the exam with confidence.

Lesson 3 - What Are You Implying?

Lesson 3 enters into the realm of conditional statements, equipping you with the skills to tackle questions loaded with 'if-then' scenarios. Following this, we'll explore various question types that utilize conditionals including Must Be True, Soft Must Be True, Must Be False, and the elusive Rare Implication. The lesson wraps up with an introduction to Principle Questions, setting the stage for complex argumentation.

Seminar 3 - It's a Trap

Seminar 3 zeroes in on a critical test-taking skill: steering clear of the LSAT's notorious trap answers. We will dissect common distractors and reinforce the ability to distinguish them from correct choices. Through guided practice, this session helps reinforce tactics to navigate pitfalls, improving accuracy and boosting confidence in choosing the right answer under exam conditions.

Lesson 4 - Deeper Dives

In Lesson 4, we break down Secondary Structures in Reading Comprehension, examining Examples, Classifications, Cause & Effect, and Question & Answer. This prepares you to better understand complex passages. We then shift focus to quantifiers and their critical role in Logical Reasoning. The lesson concludes with Advanced Implication techniques, upping the ante on our reasoning skills to conquer more challenging LSAT questions.

Seminar 4 - How Hard Could This Be?

Seminar 4 provides insights into the varying difficulty levels of LSAT questions. We will examine the characteristics that signify whether a question is a straightforward challenge or a tough nut to crack. Armed with this understanding, you'll engage in guided practice to apply strategies tailored to tackle questions efficiently, based on their difficulty, to maximize your test-taking prowess.

Lesson 5 - Flaw School

In Lesson 5, we'll introduce you to Flaw Questions, guiding you through the process of identifying and understanding common logical fallacies. Then, we'll tackle the intricacies of Disagree and Agree Questions, where you'll learn to discern opposing and concurring viewpoints in complex arguments. This lesson is pivotal for honing the critical thinking skills required for the LSAT.

Seminar 5 - Application Roadmap

Seminar 5 is your practical guide to the law school application process. Gain valuable tips on how to navigate applications effectively, with a special focus on the personal statement—a crucial element that can set you apart. Learn the keys to crafting a narrative that showcases your unique strengths and vision. We'll also include guided practice, reinforcing the skills you learned in Lesson 5.

Lesson 6 - A Matter of Perspective

Lesson 6 demystifies the diverse question types found in LSAT Reading Comprehension and introduces strategies for handling Thesis passages. We then pivot to mastering the clock with tailored timing strategies for Logical Reasoning, ensuring precision under pressure. The lesson wraps with timing techniques for Reading Comprehension to help you maintain a steady pace without sacrificing accuracy.

Seminar 6 - Make a Plan, See It Through

Seminar 6 addresses a common concern: falling behind in your study schedule. You'll learn strategies to catch up without compromising understanding or well-being. We'll tackle how to reassess your study plan and prioritize key areas. Following the discussion, you'll participate in guided practice, building momentum and confidence as you continue in your LSAT preparation.

Lesson 7 - Mind the Gap

Lesson 7 takes a deep dive into the world of assumptions, starting with Sufficient Questions, where we'll consider assumptions that guarantee conclusions. We'll then tackle Logical Negation to learn how negating different parts of statements can affect their truth. Necessary Questions come next, focusing on conditions that must be met for an argument to hold. We'll round out with Resolve/Explain questions, perfecting how to unify seemingly disparate elements in an argument.

Seminar 7 - Anticipation

In Seminar 7, we revisit and reinforce the powerful technique of anticipation in LSAT preparation. Mastery of this approach allows for more accurate and faster question answering by predicting outcomes before reviewing answer choices. We'll refine your anticipatory skills, followed by guided practice to solidify the technique, ensuring you're primed to implement this strategy effectively on exam day.

Lesson 8 - Apples and Oranges

Lesson 8 zooms in on Comparative Reading within the Reading Comprehension section on the LSAT. You'll learn to efficiently analyze and compare two passages, discerning similarities and differences in their arguments, structures, and purposes. Next, we'll learn about how to handle the different types of reading comprehension passages you can see on the LSAT regardless of your comfort with art, sciences, and the law.

Seminar 8 - From Stressed to Blessed

Seminar 8 explores the psychological aspects of test preparation by focusing on building motivation and managing test anxiety. Learn techniques to foster a positive and determined mindset, while also discovering strategies to minimize stress and maintain composure during the exam. Through guided practice, you'll apply these mental tools to enhance both your motivation and your ability to perform under pressure.

Lesson 9 - Operating Principles

Lesson 9 explores causation in logical reasoning and how to identify causal relationships in arguments. You'll learn to bolster arguments with Strengthen questions and, conversely, to challenge them with Weaken questions. Moving into Crux questions, we'll identify the pivotal points that can make or break an argument. Finally, we'll apply these concepts to Principle questions, enhancing your ability to apply general laws or principles to specific scenarios.

Seminar 9 - The Need for Speed

Seminar 9 revisits the essential topic of timing on the LSAT. Refine your pace and develop strategies to work more efficiently under the clock. Through guided practice, you'll apply these timing techniques in simulated sections, gathering data on your performance and helping you to adjust your approach for maximum effectiveness during the actual exam.

Lesson 10 - Leveling Up

Lesson 10 advances your skills in Reading Comprehension with a focus on Synthesis passages, teaching you how to amalgamate information from multiple viewpoints into a cohesive understanding. We'll then explore the nuances of Advanced Reading Comprehension techniques for a deeper analysis. The lesson culminates with Advanced Operation strategies to navigate the most complex of reasoning tasks with confidence.

Seminar 10 - Breaking Barriers

In Seminar 10, we address the challenge of scoring plateaus and how to break through them. We'll discuss strategies for identifying areas that need improvement, setting realistic goals, and reinvigorating your study routine. The session includes guided practice to directly target these strategies, giving you hands-on experience with overcoming hurdles and pushing your LSAT score to new heights.

Lesson 11 - Matchy Matchy

Lesson 11 elevates your conditional reasoning to the next level with advanced techniques and complex scenario navigation. We'll tackle more diagramming, practicing visual representations of logical structures. Parallel questions are up next, where you'll match reasoning structures, followed by Parallel Flaw questions to identify similar logical missteps. The lesson concludes with Advanced Characterization, fine-tuning your ability to categorize and analyze argument components with precision.

Seminar 11 - Double Duty

During Seminar 11, we'll see how the skills we need to succeed in Reading Comprehension relate to skills we use in Logical Reasoning. We'll discuss how to adapt our Logical Reasoning skills, and hone a few new ones, to expertly tackle the Reading Comp section. With guided practice sessions following our in-depth discussion, you'll get the chance to sharpen your skills in real-time, boosting your proficiency in tackling these challenging aspects of the test.

Lesson 12 - Graduation Day

In Lesson 12, we consolidate key concepts by reviewing common question types on the LSAT. We'll revisit diagramming strategies to ensure clarity in logic, scrutinize flaws to recognize common traps, and reassess our understanding of causation. The lesson continues with solidifying techniques to strengthen or weaken arguments, and wraps up by reinforcing the crucial concepts of sufficient and necessary assumptions. Finally, we'll wrap up with a discussion of the LSAT Writing section.

Seminar 12 - Get Your Game Face On

Seminar 12 focuses on final preparations for “Game Day,” ensuring you know what to expect and how to approach the LSAT with confidence. It’s all about the strategies for the day before and of the test, from mental preparation to logistical planning. You’ll engage in guided practice to simulate test conditions, ironing out any last-minute kinks and bolstering your readiness for the big day. Plus, we’ll discuss the steps to take after the test.