

FAQ ON THE 2021 BRAIN TRAIN UPCAT REVIEW VIRTUAL CLASSROOMS

Q1: Is Brain Train offering online review classes this year in response to the COVID19 pandemic?

A: Yes, and it will be called “Brain Train Virtual Classrooms” (BTVC). We opted to give it that name since most--almost all--the classes will be live (*not* pre-recorded) to give more chances for interaction.

Q2: What are the schedules?

A: The latest schedules are posted at www.brain-train.com.ph/schedules. There will be two to three class hours per day, five to six days per week for 21-32 days, depending on the chosen batch. There will be a 15-minute break after every one-hour class.

Q3: Who can avail of BTVC?

A: All students preparing for the UP College Admission Test (UPCAT) and other college and senior high school entrance and scholarship tests.

Q4: How much do I pay for BTVC?

A: BTVC fee is ₱9150 (which includes materials and processing), plus ₱300 for handling and shipping. Students who enroll on or before February 19, 2021 get a ₱2000 discount while those who studied in public junior (*not* senior) high schools get an additional ₱1000 discount. Please think twice, even thrice, before paying as all fees are 100% non-refundable.

Q5: What equipment and other things do I need?

A: Any of the following computers:

1. Mac or Windows 10 (or higher) laptop
2. Mac or Windows 10 (or higher) desktop
3. tablet (*not* smartphone)

All of the following:

1. a personal Gmail account in your computer
2. strong WiFi
3. headset/earphones
4. notebook and pen
5. for Public School JHS students/graduates: photocopy of Moving-up Certificate/Grade 10 Form 137 and ID card (to avail of the public school discount)
for Private School JHS students/graduates: ID card

Q6: Until when can I enroll for BTVC?

A: Deadline for enrollment is while slots are available.

Q7: How do I enroll online for BTVC?

- A:
1. Go to: <http://brain-train.com.ph>
 2. Under Menu, choose “Schedules”.
 3. Choose the program “Brain Train Virtual Classrooms (BTVC)”.
 4. Choose the BTVC batch you prefer, then click its “Enroll” button.
 5. Just follow the rest of the steps.

Q8: May I enroll for BTVC personally in your office?

A: Yes, but we prefer to entertain the parents instead of the students, as it is the parent whose signature is more important. Only the Los Baños (Sta. Fe Subdivision) and Sta. Rosa (Greenfield City) offices will accept enrollments, from Mondays to Saturdays, 8:00 am-12:00 pm and 1:00-5:00 pm.

Q9: What do I do after reserving?

A:

1. Wait for your confirmation email (up to seven working days) from Brain Train.
2. Either wait for your review materials at the address you wrote on your Student Information Sheet or pick them up from any of our two offices.
3. Wait for your Google Classroom/Google Hangouts section code via text message about a week before your first BTVC Day. *Students who already have section codes should only ask questions via Google Hangouts* as Brain Train will no longer reply via Facebook Messenger.
4. Have your Introduction and Pretest (IP) online on the scheduled time and date (to be announced via Google Classrooms).
5. Read the Brain Train Mathematics Handbook, Brain Train Science Handbook, Brain Train Grammar Handbook, and all other parts of your Brain Train UPCAT Review manual which are *not* tests or exercises.
6. Answer the practice tests and exercises (except for the three Reading Comprehension tests) that are to be given on BTVC Day 1 a few hours in advance (not more than 24 hours). Do this again for Day 2, and so on. Answers are to be submitted to Google Classrooms. This will be strictly monitored by Brain Train as students tend to have a more difficult time keeping up with class discussions if they do not answer the tests in advance. Only Reading Comprehensions tests will be answered during actual BTVC hours since these require strict time pressure. *Students who do not answer prior to the scheduled classes will not be admitted into the virtual classrooms.*

Q10: What about the UPCAT Simulations?

A: The UPCAT Simulations (the final exam) will be administered about a week after the last day of BTVC. Individual assessment reports will be given a about week later.

Q11: May I attend the regular Brain Train UPCAT Review (physical classes) after attending BTVC?

A: Yes, but you have to re-enroll (at a discount). Our only request is that you try to hide the fact that it is already your second time.