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Our mission is to provide a positive learning experience for all students which will allow them to excel socially, emotionally, and academically within all aspects of their education. Students' social, emotional, and academic needs are assessed and then used to design learning goals that the academic tutor uses to guide instruction. It is our goal that all students become independent learners and successful in the academic world.

ACT vs SAT: Key differences between the ACT and SAT

ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English: 45-minutes • Math: 60-minutes • Reading: 35-minutes • Science: 35 minutes • Writing: (optional) 40 minutes 	<p>Test Format</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading: 65 minutes • Writing and Language: 35 minutes • Math: (no calculator) 25 minutes • Math: (with calculator) 55 minutes • Essay: (optional) 50 minutes

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar & usage • Math • Reading • Science reasoning • Writing(optional) 	<p>Content Covered</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • Relevant words in context • Math • Grammar & usage • Analytical writing (optional)

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Straightforward, questions may be long but are usually less difficult to decipher	Test Style	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Questions are evidence and context-based in effort to focus on real-world situations and multi-step problem-solving

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ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">English, Math, Reading, and Science scores will each range between 1-36Composite ACT score is the average of your scores on the four sections; ranges between 1-36	Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Math and Evidence-Based Reading & Writing are each scored on a scale of 200-800Composite SAT score is the sum of the two section scores and ranged from 400-1600

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">No-you do not lose points for incorrect answers	Penalty for Wrong Answers?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No-you do not lose points for incorrect answers

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes-you can chose which set(s) of ACT scores to submit to colleges	Score Choice?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes-you can chose which set(s) of SAT scores to submit to colleges

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ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulty level of the questions is random 	<p>Difficulty Levels</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questions increase in difficulty level as you move through the question type in a section (except reading passage questions, which progress chronologically through the passage)

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ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Arithmetic, algebra I and II, functions, geometry, trigonometry; no formulas provided	Math Levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Arithmetic, problem-solving & data analysis, heart of algebra, geometry, and trigonometry; formulas provided

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• With public schools and schools in the Midwest and south; however, every four-year college in the US accepts ACT scores	Tends to be more popular?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• With private schools and schools on the east and west coasts; however, every four-year college in the US accepts SAT scores

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ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Six times per year: February, April, June, September, October, December	Offered when?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seven times per year: January, March or April, May, June, October, November, December

ACT vs SAT: Key differences between the ACT and SAT

ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Typically about five to six weeks before the test date	Registration Deadline	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Typically about four weeks before the test date

ACT vs SAT: Key differences between the ACT and SAT

ACT	Vs.	SAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• www.act.org	More Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• www.collegeboard.com

“Why should upcoming juniors take the ACT?”

- ✓ College Board has released minimal test prep materials
- ✓ There are no baseline scores for the New SAT
- ✓ Colleges know cut scores for the ACT
- ✓ A variety of test prep materials are available for the ACT

Average ACT Scores

Universities	ACT Average Composite	Average GPA
University of Michigan	29-33	3.8 – 4.0
Michigan State University	23-28	3.4 – 3.9
Eastern Michigan University	22	3.1
University of Notre Dame	31-34	Top 5% of graduating class

Average SAT Scores

Universities	SAT Average Composite	Average GPA
University of Michigan	N/A	3.8 – 4.0
Michigan State University	N/A	3.4 – 3.9
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Here is a typical conversion table:

Scale Score	Raw Scores				Scale Score
	English	Math	Reading	Science	
36	75	60	39-40	40	36
35	-	59	38	39	35
34	74	58	37	-	34
33	73	57	36	38	33
32	72	54-56	35	37	32
31	70-71	52-53	34	36	31
30	68-69	50-51	33	-	30
29	66-67	48-49	32	35	29
28	64-65	46-47	31	33-34	28
27	61-63	44-45	30	32	27
26	58-60	42-43	29	31	26
25	56-57	40-41	27-28	29-30	25
24	53-55	37-39	26	28	24
23	51-52	35-36	25	26-27	23
22	49-50	33-34	23-24	24-25	22
21	46-48	31-32	22	23	21



Standards for College
Readiness: What
does it all mean?

A PARADIGM SHIFT:

50% = 18

60% = 22

66% = 24

90% = 32

ACT 9957 C Scale Excerpt

Note: The ACT scales 1 - 36

Scale	English	Math	Reading	Science	Scale
31	70	53	34	37	31
30	68 - 69	51 - 52	33	--	30
29	67	49 - 50	31 - 32	36	29
28	65 - 66	47 - 48	30	35	28
27	64	45 - 46	29	34	27
26	62 - 63	43 - 44	27 - 28	33	26
25	60 - 61	41 - 42	26	31 - 32	25
24	58 - 59	39 - 40	25	30	24
23	55 - 57	37 - 38	24	28 - 29	23
22	53 - 54	35 - 36	23	26 - 27	22
21	50 - 52	33 - 34	21 - 22	25	21
20	46 - 49	31 - 32	20	23 - 24	20
19	43 - 45	29 - 30	19	21 - 22	19
18	41 - 42	26 - 28	18	19 - 20	18
17	39 - 40	23 - 25	17	17 - 18	17
16	36 - 38	19 - 22	16	16	16
15	33 - 35	16 - 18	15	15	15
14	31 - 32	13 - 15	13 - 14	13 - 14	14
13	28 - 30	10 - 12	12	12	13
12	26 - 27	08 - 09	10 - 11	10 - 11	12
11	24 - 25	06 - 07	08 - 09	09	11
10	21 - 23	05	07	07 - 08	10

Value of Preparing

What does the ACT or SAT really measure?

Only a portion of what you have learned in school
and in a very different manner.

The ACT or SAT measures skills in an entirely
different way than you learned them in school
and that is why it is so important to **BE**
PREPARED to take this test.

How to Prepare

Three Areas of Focus

ACT/SAT SKILLS

Review and practice skills in one or more topics that appear on the test.

TEST TAKING STRATEGIES

Emphasize both general test-taking and problem-specific strategies.

PRACTICE with ACT/SAT-TYPE PROBLEMS

Practice on actual ACT or SAT-Type problems is the best way to be ready for the real exam.

Final Thought

The ACT or SAT does not measure your ability to succeed nor your intelligence. No matter how much you prepare and how well you score this is NOT a judgment of your true abilities.



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