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Prepare for the
PSAT/NMSQT® 2019
Skills Tested on the PSAT/NMSQT
Skills Tested

- Reading Test
- Writing and Language Test
- Math Test

- Each test assesses the academic skills that students have developed over the years, primarily through their coursework.
- These skills are considered essential for success in high school, college, and career.
What to Expect

The Math Test focuses on the math that matters most for college and career readiness. To succeed on the Math Test, students will need to demonstrate mathematical practices, such as problem solving and using appropriate tools strategically.
Math Test

• 2 Test Sections; 70 minutes
• 48 Questions
  (40 multiple choice, 8 grid-ins)

Quick Facts
• Most math questions will be multiple choice, but some will be student-produced responses (grid-ins).
• The Math Test is divided into two portions: Math Test – Calculator and Math Test – No Calculator.
• Some parts of the test will present students with a scenario and then ask several questions about it.
How to Prepare for the PSAT/NMSQT For MATH
Students: Know Your Calculator

• A scientific or graphing calculator is recommended.

• Students should bring a familiar calculator. Test day is not the time to figure out how to use a new calculator.
Additional Calculator Tips for Students

• Don’t try to use the calculator on every question—no question requires one.

• Decide how to solve each problem; then decide whether to use a calculator.

• Make sure your calculator is in good working order and that batteries are fresh.

• Students will not be permitted to use laptops or other computers, tablets, cell phones, or smartphones, etc. Please reference the student guide for a complete list.
Know How the PSAT/NMSQT Is Scored

Rights-Only Scoring
- 1 point for each correct answer
- 0 points deducted for each incorrect or blank question

Math Grid-ins
- You can enter answers as (reduced) fractions or decimals.
- If rounding a decimal, make sure to use every box.

Scale
- 160–760 for each test section
- 320–1520 for the total score
Sample PSAT/NMSQT Questions
Aaron is staying at a hotel that charges $99.95 per night plus tax for a room. A tax of 8% is applied to the room rate, and an additional one-time untaxed fee of $5.00 is charged by the hotel. Which of the following represents Aaron's total charge, in dollars, for staying $x$ nights?

(A) $(99.95 + 0.08x) + 5$

(B) $1.08(99.95x) + 5$

(C) $1.08(99.95x + 5)$

(D) $1.08(99.95 + 5)x$
This problem asks students to interpret a situation and formulate a linear expression that represents the situation mathematically. The construction of mathematical models that represent real-world scenarios is a critical skill.

The total charge is the room rate, the 8% tax on the room rate, and a fixed fee. If Aaron stayed $x$ nights, then the total charge is $99.95x + (0.08 \times 99.95x) + 5$, which can be rewritten as $1.08(99.95x) + 5$. 
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In this equation, what is the value of $k$?

\[ \frac{5(k+2) - 7}{6} = \frac{13 - (4 - k)}{9} \]

In this problem, students will demonstrate their fluency in solving equations in one variable.

Choice B is correct. Simplifying the numerators yields

\[ \frac{5k + 3}{6} = \frac{9 + k}{9} \]

and cross-multiplication gives $45k + 27 = 54 + 6k$.

Solving for $k$ yields $k = \frac{9}{13}$.
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(A) $\frac{9}{7}$
(B) $\frac{9}{13}$
(C) $\frac{33}{17}$
(D) $\frac{33}{13}$
Math Section

Student-Produced Responses

Sample Grids

Instead of choosing a correct answer from a list of options, students will need to solve problems and enter their answers in the grids provided on the answer sheet.

$1.75

$2 \frac{1}{3}

0.444...

20%

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PSAT is October 30th
Cost is $18 for Freshman and Juniors
Mandatory and FREE for Sophomores
ALL students MUST register online
Thomas A Edison Preparatory School's
PSAT Registration

Students taking PSAT exams at Thomas A Edison Preparatory School on Wednesday, Oct 10, 2018 must register for exams here by 5:00 pm, September 21, 2018.

Students must answer all of the questions on the following pages in order to complete the exam registration. A confirmation page indicates that the exam registration process has been successfully completed.

Thomas A Edison Preparatory School is excited to offer families the ability to pay their exam fees online at the time of registration. Please be sure to have a credit card or debit card available before beginning registration.

Registrations that are not paid by 5:00 PM, Monday, Sep 24, 2018 will be cancelled and exams will not be ordered.

Please contact Rachael McAnany, mcanara@tulsaschools.org if you have questions about financial assistance, or any other questions.

Refund Policy

WARNING! This is the test mode site. Students should not register here. Please contact Thomas A Edison Preparatory School to get the correct URL.

Begin registering by entering the information below and clicking Next. Your registration will only be complete after you reach the Confirmation Page.