

# Using Your PSAT/NMSQT<sup>®</sup> Scores to Increase College Readiness

# Get to Know the PSAT/NMSQT®



- The PSAT/NMSQT is highly relevant to your future success because it focuses on the skills and knowledge at the heart of your education. It measures:
  - What you learn in high school
  - What you need to succeed in college
- The PSAT/NMSQT measures reading, writing and language, and math skills developed over many years.
- The PSAT/NMSQT does not ask for facts from literature, history, or science, or for recall of math formulas, because it measures your reasoning and critical thinking skills.
- You don't have to discover secret tricks or cram the night before.
- There is no penalty for guessing.
- The test length is 2 hours, 45 minutes.

# What Are the Benefits of Taking the PSAT/NMSQT®?



- Prepare for the SAT®
- Get free, personalized Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®
- Start getting ready for college with college and career planning tools
- Enter the National Merit® Scholarship Program (as an 11<sup>th</sup> grader)
- See which AP® courses for which you might be ready
- Get admission and financial aid information from colleges

# How Do I Access My PSAT/NMSQT® Scores and Reports?

1. Review your online reports.  
**[Psat.org/myscore](https://psat.org/myscore)**
2. Review your paper score report.



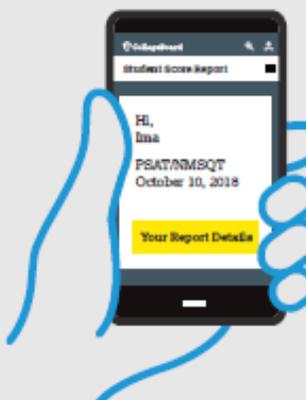
# Understanding My Paper Score Report

# What Are My Scores?

**PSAT/NMSQT™**  
Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

**PSAT/NMSQT™**  
CollegeBoard / NMSQT

## Your Summary Score Report



Get Your Full Score Report Online

[psat.org/myscore](https://psat.org/myscore)

Hi, Ima B. Student  
 School Name: John F. Kennedy High School  
 School Code: 123456  
 Grade: 11th Grade  
 Student ID: 24068907  
 Optional Code: 00  
 Access Code: A02670146P  
 College Board ID: 12345678

### YOUR SCORE TODAY

**Your Total Score**

**960** | 320 to 1520

You are in the **51<sup>st</sup>** percentile

You scored equal to or higher than 51% of students

**Your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score**

**430** | 100 to 750

You are in the **21<sup>st</sup>** percentile

**Your Math Score**

**530** | 100 to 750

You are in the **69<sup>th</sup>** percentile

**Your Test Scores\***

Reading	23   0 to 30	Math	26.5   0 to 30
Writing and Language	20   0 to 30		

\*Additional detailed scores. The test scores provide students with a deeper understanding of their performance. Test scores are checked to calculate your NMSQT Selection Index.



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Go online for your full report

**Ima, this was your score when you took the test; it is not a measure of how far you can grow!**

**+130 pts**

Students with scores like yours increased their performance from the PSAT/NMSQT™ to the SAT® by 130 points after 10 or more hours of personalized practice on Khan Academy®.

# What Are My Score Percentiles?

Percentiles and benchmarks are provided for 10th and 11th grades on the PSAT/NMSQT®.

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## YOUR PATH TOMORROW

Here's what else is waiting for you online:

1

A link to free personalized practice on Khan Academy

Share your scores with Khan Academy to get your personalized practice.

2

A list of the challenging courses you're ready for

Congrats! Your scores show you're ready to succeed in AP® courses.

3

Your customized starter college list

Check out the tools at BigFuture™ to kick-start your college plans.

SAT

Don't forget!

Register to take the SAT ahead of college application deadlines in spring of junior year and fall of senior year.

## NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION

Your NMSC Selection Index

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NMSC uses a Selection Index score based on PSAT/NMSQT scores as an initial screen of students who enter its scholarship programs. The Selection Index score is double the sum of your Reading, Writing and Language, and Math Test scores.

### Eligibility Information

You meet entry requirements for the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program and your Selection Index score will be considered among 1.6 million program entrants.

If your Selection Index places you among the 50,000 high scorers who qualify for National Merit Scholarship Program recognition, you will be notified next September when qualifying Selection Index scores will be made available.

### Entry Requirements

Information you provided on your answer sheet:

High school student: **YES**

Year to complete high school and enroll full time in college: **2020**

Total years to be spent in grades 9–12: **4**

### National Merit Scholarship Corporation

National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) conducts the National Merit® Scholarship Program, an academic competition for recognition and college scholarships.

To designate students who qualify for recognition in its 2020 competition, NMSC will consider the 2019 PSAT/NMSQT® Selection Index scores of some 1.6 million test takers (usually high school juniors) who meet program entry requirements. For more information, please visit [www.nationalmerit.org](http://www.nationalmerit.org).

If any of your responses to NMSC's "Entry Requirements" questions are inaccurate or there has been a change in plans that may affect program entry, write immediately to:

**National Merit Scholarship Corporation**  
Attn: Scholarship Administration  
1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 200  
Evanston, IL 60201-4897

Include your name and home address along with your high school name, address, and six-digit code number.

Ima B. Student 2014, 1118-0404

# What Is the National Merit® Scholarship Program?

# What Is My Question-Level Feedback?

## Your Question-Level Feedback

### QUESTIONS OVERVIEW

READING	
47 Total Questions	21 Correct Answers
25 Incorrect Answers	1 Omitted Answers
WRITING AND LANGUAGE	
44 Total Questions	17 Correct Answers
26 Incorrect Answers	1 Omitted Answers
MATH – CALCULATOR	
31 Total Questions	15 Correct Answers
14 Incorrect Answers	2 Omitted Answers
MATH – NO CALCULATOR	
17 Total Questions	10 Correct Answers
7 Incorrect Answers	0 Omitted Answers

\*Tip: A great way to start improving: check out the easy questions you missed first.

### KEY

- ✓ Correct
- Omitted
- U Unscorable
- X Multi-Grid/Incorrect
- Easy Question
- Medium Question
- Hard Question
- Easy Question Missed\*

READING				WRITING AND LANGUAGE				MATH – CALCULATOR				MATH – CALCULATOR			
Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty	Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty	Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty	Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty
1	A	✓	■	1	D	C	■	1	B	✓	■	15	C	A	■
2	B	A	■	2	B	✓	■	2	A	✓	■	16	B	✓	■
3	B	✓	■	3	C	D	■	3	B	✓	■	17	D	✓	■
4	B	A	■	4	C	A	■	4	D	✓	■	18	B	A	■
5	C	✓	■	5	B	D	■	5	B	C	■	19	C	A	■
6	D	✓	■	6	B	X	■	6	A	✓	■	20	B	✓	■
7	B	✓	■	7	A	D	■	7	B	✓	■	21	B	C	■
8	A	✓	■	8	B	C	■	8	C	B	■	22	D	C	■
9	D	✓	■	9	A	B	■	9	A	✓	■	23	D	B	■
10	A	✓	■	10	D	✓	■	10	D	C	■	24	C	D	■
11	D	C	■	11	D	✓	■	11	D	✓	■	25	B	A	■
12	D	B	■	12	B	✓	■	12	A	✓	■	26	D	✓	■
13	D	A	■	13	C	✓	■	13	B	✓	■	27	D	A	■
14	A	X	■	14	C	B	■	14	C	✓	■				
15	C	B	■	15	D	✓	■								
16	B	C	■	16	B	A	■								
17	D	C	■	17	B	D	■								
18	B	D	■	18	A	✓	■								
19	A	✓	■	19	B	✓	■								
20	C	✓	■	20	C	D	■								
21	B	D	■	21	A	✓	■								
22	D	✓	■	22	A	B	■								
23	B	D	■	23	C	B	■								
24	D	✓	■	24	D	C	■								
25	C	✓	■	25	C	D	■								
26	B	A	■	26	A	✓	■								
27	B	C	■	27	A	D	■								
28	A	C	■	28	B	✓	■								
29	D	A	■	29	D	A	■								
30	B	A	■	30	C	B	■								
31	D	✓	■	31	D	✓	■								
32	A	✓	■	32	B	✓	■								
33	C	✓	■	33	D	✓	■								
34	A	B	■	34	D	B	■								
35	A	B	■	35	D	✓	■								
36	C	○	■	36	B	A	■								
37	B	C	■	37	C	D	■								
38	C	D	■	38	A	✓	■								
39	C	✓	■	39	C	✓	■								
40	C	✓	■	40	D	A	■								
41	B	✓	■	41	D	B	■								
42	B	✓	■	42	A	○	■								
43	A	B	■	43	C	B	■								
44	A	✓	■	44	B	C	■								
45	A	C	■												
46	D	A	■												
47	C	B	■												

Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty
28	65	60	■
29	0.12	2	■
30	1368	0	■
31	85	75	■

MATH – NO CALCULATOR			
Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty
1	D	✓	■
2	A	✓	■
3	B	✓	■
4	C	B	■
5	C	✓	■
6	B	✓	■
7	A	✓	■

Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty
14	2	0	■
15	90	80	■
16	1	2	■
17	0	✓	■

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Go online for your full report

Question-Level Detail

See Subscore

Strengths and Weaknesses

Personalized Practice

# What Are My Next Steps?

- Continue to take challenging courses in high school
- Link scores with Khan Academy
- Set up a practice plan and stick to it
- Register for the SAT<sup>®</sup>
- Utilize other resources to research and prepare for college

# Official SAT<sup>®</sup> Practice with Khan Academy<sup>®</sup> — It's FREE!

- Go to [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org) and create a free account.
- Get personalized recommendations. Link your Khan Academy account to your College Board account to import past SAT Suite results or take diagnostic quizzes to get personalized recommendations.
- Create a study plan. Select a test date and set up a practice schedule.



[Watch a video introducing Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy](#)



# How Can I Practice with Khan Academy®?

- Thousands of practice questions and videos covering every SAT® concept
- Eight official, full-length SAT practice tests with more to come
- Personalized recommendations based on each student's strengths and weaknesses
- Tailored practice schedule mapping out each student's path to test day
- SAT tips and strategies, sharing information about each part of the test

# What Steps Will I Follow to Link My College Board Account to Khan Academy®?



## Step 1

Log in or create a Khan Academy account.

## Step 2

When prompted, agree to link your Khan Academy and College Board accounts. You will then be directed to [collegeboard.org](https://collegeboard.org).

## Step 3

Sign in or create a College Board account.

## Step 4

When prompted, hit “Send” to authorize the account linking.

## Step 5

Start practicing on Official SAT® Practice on Khan Academy!



# How Do I Register for the SAT®?

- SAT Registration link from Popular Tools menu
- [sat.org/register](https://sat.org/register)
- \*Take the SAT in the Fall of 11<sup>th</sup> grade year: there is usually a November and December test option
- \*2 Fee waivers available if on free/reduced lunch at school

**Student Score Reports** My Score Reports | Score Sends | AP Potential | End Demo | Help

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**Popular Tools**

- AP Potential
- SAT Registration
- SAT Practice
- My College List
- College Search
- College Board Career Finder
- College Board Opportunity Scholarships
- Scholarship Search
- Expected Family Contribution Calculator
- Student Search Service

# What Additional Resources Will Help Me Prepare for My Future?

BigFuture™

- College Action Plan
- College Search
- Scholarships
- Financial Aid

Career Finder

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# BigFuture™ — Search Colleges, Scholarships, and Careers

- Search for colleges.
- Watch videos from real students.
- Hear from education professionals.
- Learn about different colleges.
- Get help paying for college.
- Build a personalized plan for getting into college.

The screenshot shows the BigFuture website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the CollegeBoard logo, the text 'BigFuture', a user profile icon labeled 'Woodrow', and a search bar. Below the navigation bar, the 'BigFuture' logo is on the left, and a menu with options like 'Get Started', 'Find Colleges', 'Explore Careers', 'Pay for College', and 'Get In' is on the right. The main content area has a green background and features the text 'There are more than 2,000 colleges in the United States.' followed by the bold heading 'Find the right college for you.' Below this, there are two search options: 'Filter by location, major, and more.' with a blue 'Search for colleges' button, and 'Already have a school in mind?' with a search bar labeled 'Look up a college by name'. At the bottom of the green section, there is a link: 'Not sure where to start? Figure out what's important to you. Use our step-by-step guide >'. The white section below contains the text 'Planning for college doesn't have to be stressful.' and 'Our tools can help you find the right school for you.'

# Career Finder

Roadtrip Nation and College Board have partnered to help students connect with careers.

The screenshot shows the Career Finder dashboard. At the top, there are navigation links for 'Explore', 'Saved', and 'Plan', along with a settings gear icon. The main heading is 'Your Dashboard'. On the left, there is a 'Plan Progress' section with a circular progress indicator showing 'Step 1 of 5' and a green button labeled 'Explore & Save Careers'. Below this is the 'Your Profile' section, which includes 'Your Interests' (Roadmap, Action Sports, Sports, Being Physically Active) and an 'Edit' button. The main content area features a 'Featured Roadtrip Nation Leader' section with a video player. The video title is 'When you look back at your life, you remember the great highs and the great lows. The middle sort of doesn't stand out that much, so never fear risking the great lows in pursuit of the great highs.' The video is by Adam Stelzner, an Engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Below this is a 'New Leaders Matching Your Interests' section with three cards for Heather Hiles (Roller Derby Girl/Dental Assistant), Margaret Wagner (Roller Derby Team Captain), and Paul Rodriguez (Professional Skateboarder, Plan B Skateboards).

- Choose your core interests.
- Watch videos of leaders who share your interests.
- Learn about majors and careers that align to your interests.
- See examples of leaders who followed a similar path.



**Connects students with information about educational and financial aid opportunities.**

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# Student Search Service<sup>®</sup>

- Participate voluntarily.
- Connect with more than 1,200 colleges, universities, scholarship programs, and educational organizations.
- Sign up when you take an assessment in the SAT<sup>®</sup> Suite:
  1. Choose to participate in Student Search Service when registering for a College Board test (fill in the circle on the answer sheet).
  2. Provide information about yourself on your answer sheet.
  3. Participating organizations can then search for groups of students who may be a good fit.
  4. FYI: The College Board never shares information on disabilities, parental education, self-reported parental income, Social Security numbers, phone numbers, or actual test scores through Student Search Service.

Thank  
You.