



PSAT/NMSQT - Understanding Score Results

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- Our objective today is to show you how the PSAT/NMSQT exam is scored and where to find information about student, school and district score results.

Benefits of the SAT[®] Suite



Establish a baseline
and check-in for
college readiness



Reflects the work
students do
in school



Closely aligned to
the entire SAT Suite



Link to college
scholarships



Opportunity for free,
online personalized
practice



AP Potential
connection



Support college and
career planning



Access online
scores and
reports

Key Features of the PSAT™-Related Assessments



Words in Context



Analysis in Science and in
History/Social Studies



Command of Evidence



U.S. Founding Documents and the
Great Global Conversation



Math that Matters Most



No Penalty for Guessing



Problems Grounded in Real-world
Contexts

PSAT/NMSQT[®] and PSAT 10[™] Scores

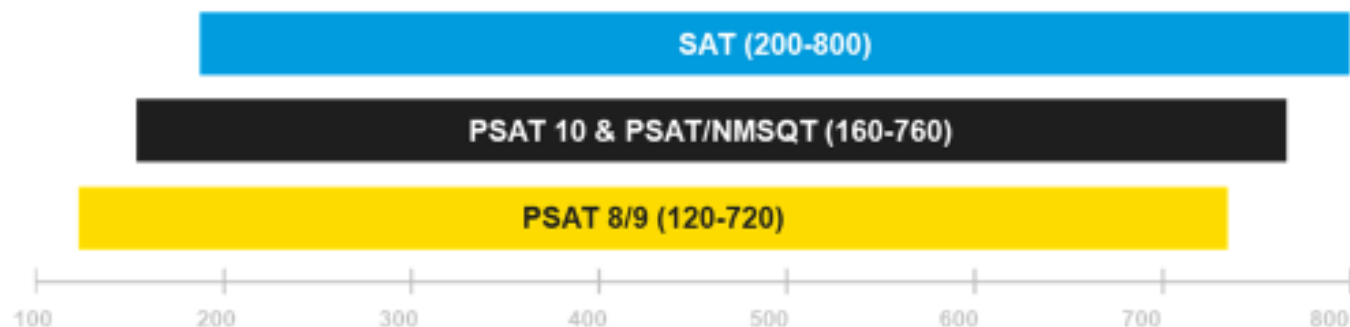


SAT[®] Scores

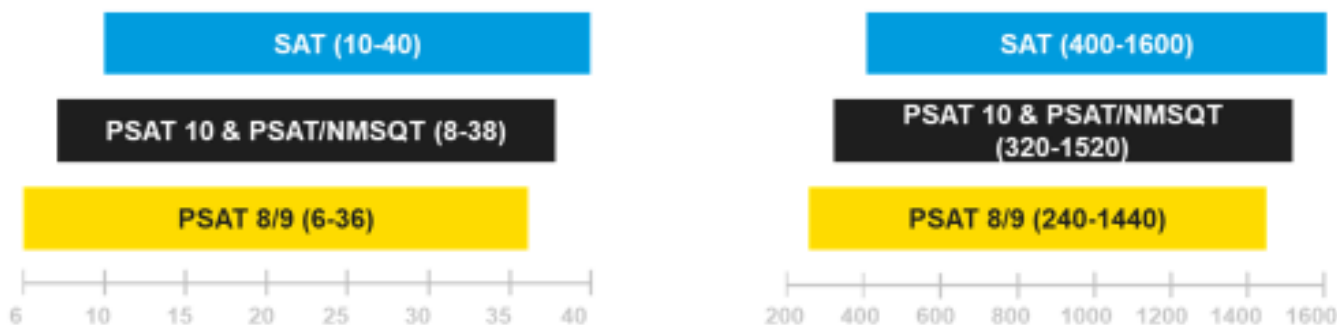


Monitor Progress Over Time

Section Scores are placed on a vertical scale.



The same concept holds true for the **Test, Cross-Test Scores** and **Total Score**.



Benchmarks



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Students and educators can track progress toward college readiness from year to year.

Use Benchmarks to Enhance College Readiness

Gauge college readiness



Identify strengths and weaknesses

Strengthen academic programs



SAT[®] College and Career Readiness Benchmarks

- 75% likelihood of earning at least a C in a first-semester, credit-bearing college course in a related subject
- Set at section level
- Grade-level benchmarks are based on expected student growth toward the SAT Benchmarks:

	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	SAT	
Section Level	390	410	430	460	480	ERW
	430	450	480	510	530	MATH

SAT[®] Suite Student Resources



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Student Score Report



Students can use the information in the online score reports to:

- Pinpoint areas of academic strengths and weaknesses;
- Review Skills Insight™ to get targeted suggestions for improving performance;
- Identify test questions* and answer explanations* in areas of difficulty to clarify errors in understanding and answer selection;
- Link their College Board account with Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy.

*PSAT-related assessments only

Using Skills Insight™ for the SAT Suite

Academic Skills at Each Score Band and Suggestions for Improvement

Reading Score Range 20-24

Academic Skills

- Identify relevant information in a text to answer a question.
- Determine the central idea or main message of a text; analyze how different parts of the text contribute to the overall meaning.
- Analyze how major ideas and supporting details are developed and related in a text.
- Analyze how a text uses rhetorical strategies to persuade (e.g., analyzing a cause-effect relationship or a comparison/contrast relationship).
- Analyze how a text uses a variety of rhetorical devices to create a specific effect or tone (e.g., analyzing the use of irony, sarcasm, or other rhetorical devices to create a specific effect or tone).
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Suggestions for Improvement

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- Demonstrates how the SAT Suite of Assessments is linked to the knowledge and skills taught in the classroom.
- See the academic skills typically mastered at each score band and develop strategies for improvement.
 - Use the **Scores by Institution** and/or the **Scores by Demographic** reports find the percent of students in each score band.
- Provides actionable suggestions for improving skills that help students gain additional practice.

For more information visit:
<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/skills-insight-sat-suite.pdf>

SAT[®] Suite Educator Resources



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K-12 Score Reporting Portal

- A homepage for all users – State, District, and School Users assigned at least one of the reporting roles
- Quick search for districts, schools, or students (user specific)
- All reports provided on the homepage
 - Grouped by task
 - Report descriptions provided
- Quick and Guided report selection
- Report history to allow users to quickly re-run a report

<https://k12reports.collegeboard.org/login#reports>

Select the Report for the Task at Hand

Counsel Students

Share scores with students and parents

Roster Reports

Scores and Benchmarks

Inform Instruction

Figure out who needs help and improve curriculum

Instructional Planning

Question Analysis

Scores and Benchmarks

Track Progress

Monitor and report on your institution and plan for the future

Summary

Demographic Reports

Growth Reports

Thank you



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