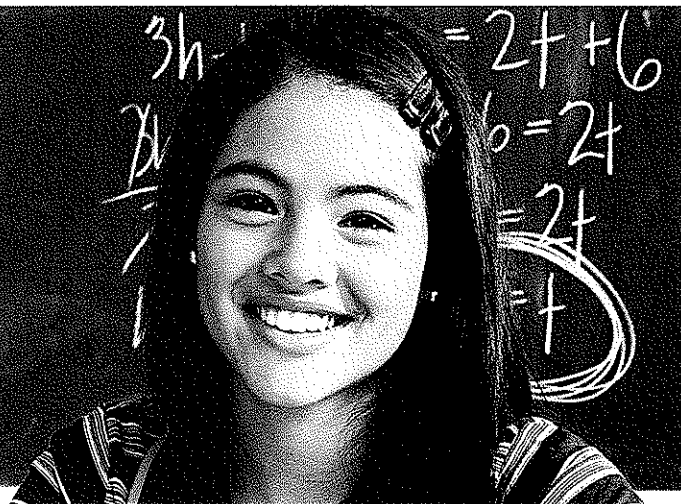


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The ACT® test for college admission is the first step in your journey to college success. The ACT does more than tell you if you are ready for college—it helps you plan for life after high school. The following resources will help you prepare for the test and offer college planning advice. Be prepared for your future. Be extraordinary.

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 www.act.org/path/secondary/pdf/FamilyFirstsParents.pdf
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Get Set for College A Guide for Students

This guide can help you make some important decisions about your future education. Included are six steps to simplify college planning, ACT test preparation information, suggested activities and planning resources, college selection strategies, and financial aid facts.

 www.act.org/path/secondary/pdf/GetSetforCollege.pdf

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ACT	SAT
English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, Writing Test* (optional)	Critical Reading, Mathematics, Writing (mandatory)
Accepted nationally	Accepted nationally
Measures academic achievement in English, mathematics, reading, and science	Measures critical reading, writing, and mathematical reasoning skills
Scores based on number of right answers No penalty for guessing	Scores adjusted for guessing
Composite Score scale: 1–36	Total Score scale: 600–2400
Pre-ACT: EXPLORE (8th/9th grades), PLAN (10th grade)	Pre-SAT: PSAT (11th grade)

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