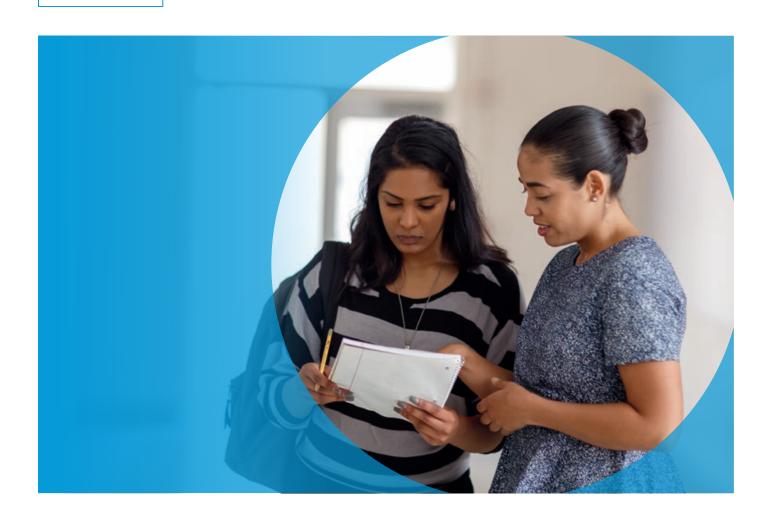
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### **About the PSAT 10**

As one of the assessments in the College Board's SAT Suite of Assessments, the PSAT™ 10 is designed to measure the skills and knowledge that current research shows are essential for college and career readiness and success. The PSAT 10 covers the same content areas as the PSAT/NMSQT®. Both the PSAT/NMSQT and the PSAT 10 serve as a check-in on student progress to help pinpoint areas for development. Educational Testing Service (ETS) administers the PSAT 10 for the College Board.

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# The **PSAT 10** and the **SAT** Suite of Assessments

### What is the SAT Suite of Assessments?

The SAT® Suite of Assessments is an integrated system of tests that includes the SAT (for students in grades 11 and 12), the PSAT/NMSQT® (for grades 10 and 11), the PSAT $^{\text{TM}}$  10 (for grade 10), and the PSAT $^{\text{TM}}$  8/9 (for grades 8 and 9).

The tests measure the same skills and knowledge in gradeappropriate ways. They work together to show college readiness over time so educators, students, and parents can monitor student progress. Their content reflects the kinds of meaningful, engaging, and challenging work that students find in the best middle and high school courses taught today.

### What does the PSAT 10 measure?

The PSAT 10 measures the skills and knowledge that research shows are the most essential for college and career readiness and success. The Reading Test measures comprehension and reasoning skills and focuses on close reading of passages in a wide array of subject areas. The Writing and Language Test measures a range of skills including command of evidence, expression of ideas, and the use of standard English conventions in grammar and punctuation. The Math Test covers a range of math practices, with an emphasis on problem solving, modeling, using tools strategically, and using algebraic structure.

### How is the PSAT 10 scored?

Students receive a total score that is the sum of their scores on the two sections (Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Math).

To calculate section scores, we first compute the student's raw score—the number of questions correctly answered—for each section. No points are deducted for incorrect answers or for unanswered questions.

Next, we convert each of the raw section scores to a scaled score of 160 to 760. This conversion process adjusts for slight differences in difficulty among versions of the test and provides a score that is consistent across different versions. The scaled scores are the scores provided on score reports.

### How can I use the student score report?

The student score report clearly summarizes a student's current achievement levels and encourages next steps to increase college and career readiness. You can aid students by going over their score reports and helping them understand what their scores mean. See the details below.

#### **CHECK-IN: ON TRACK FOR COLLEGE READINESS?**

The score report includes an indicator for each section that shows whether the student's score meets the grade-level benchmark. These benchmarks allow students and educators to understand how students are progressing toward college readiness.

- If a student is meeting the benchmark for a section, remind that student to continue to take rigorous courses and work hard to stay on track for college success.
- If a student is not meeting the benchmark for a section, connect the student to classroom work that is focused on areas that need improvement. Khan Academy® can help supplement this work.

### USE STUDENT SCORES TO IDENTIFY STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES:

- Use test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores to evaluate a student's relative strengths and weaknesses and see what skills need practice.
- Use the red/yellow/green coding on test scores and subscores to evaluate how your student is performing relative to students who are meeting or exceeding the benchmark.
- Highlight the areas in green as the student's strengths.
- Prioritize areas in the red range for additional work and practice.

#### **HELP STUDENTS DECIDE ON NEXT STEPS:**

- Use the "Your Scores: Next Steps" section to identify the specific skills that the student should address.
- Work with your student to think of ways to develop each of the skills you have identified for focus and improvement.
- Encourage students to go online for more details and to link their College Board account to Khan Academy for a personalized study plan.

For further guidance on interpreting score reports, see the Professional Development modules for K–12 educators at **sat.org/k12**.

### **Score-Reporting Features**

On pages 11–12 of this booklet, you will find an annotated sample score report that includes detailed explanations of the information that students receive about their college readiness skills. Students can access their online reports to obtain more information and guidance, including personalized Khan Academy instruction and practice based on their results.

The online reporting portal at **k12reports.collegeboard.org** offers you an array of powerful tools to assess your students' progress and plan instruction that delivers what they need. The tools include:

- Flexible reports that can be sorted and filtered by key demographics
- Instructional planning support using test subscores in specific content areas, benchmarks, information for cross-subject tasks, and data for prescribing interventions when students are behind or ahead
- Question Analysis Report that helps educators connect subscores to state standards, analyze students' strengths and weaknesses, learn which mistakes were most common, and look for opportunities to reinforce skills
- Access to the AP Potential<sup>™</sup> tool to pinpoint students who are likely to succeed in more challenging courses

## **PSAT 10**Scores

### **Total Scores**

The total score is the sum of the two section scores; its range is 320–1520.

### **Section Scores**

Your students receive scores in the range of 160–760 for each of two sections. The Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section score combines the scores for the Reading Test and the Writing and Language Test. The Math section score is derived from the Math Test score, including the calculator and no-calculator portions.

### **Test Scores and Cross-Test Scores**

The range for the following test scores is 8-38:

- Reading
- Writing and Language
- Math

The range for cross-test scores is also 8–38. These scores represent student performance on questions across the three tests and show a student's strengths in the following domains:

- Analysis in History/Social Studies
- Analysis in Science

### **Subscores**

Subscores in the range of 1–15 offer feedback on student performance in the following skill areas:

- Command of Evidence
- Words in Context
- Expression of Ideas
- Standard English Conventions
- Heart of Algebra
- Problem Solving and Data Analysis
- Passport to Advanced Math

### **Score Ranges**

A student's ability is better represented by score ranges than points. Score ranges are derived from the standard error of measurement and show how much students' scores would likely vary if they took a different administration of the test under identical conditions.

From recent administrations of the PSAT 10, these ranges are approximately:

- Total: ±40 points
- Section: ±30 points
- Test scores, subscores, and cross-test scores: ±2 points

## Score Scales and Score Changes

### How can PSAT 10 scores be used to project SAT scores?

The SAT Suite—from the PSAT 8/9 through the SAT—uses a common score scale for the total, section, test, and crosstest scores. The ranges reported for each assessment reflect grade-level appropriateness within the common scale. Thus, while the total range for the SAT is 400–1600, the total range for the PSAT 10 is 320–1520.

This common score scale means that a student who took the PSAT 10 and received a Math section score of 500 would be expected to also get a 500 on the SAT or PSAT 8/9 if they had taken either of those tests on that same day; a score of 500 represents the same level of academic achievement on all three assessments.

This also means that student growth is easy to see across the SAT Suite. If a student takes the PSAT 10 this year and receives a 500 Math section score, and then takes the SAT next year and earns a 550 Math section score, that student has shown a growth of 50 points, which likely resulted from hard work both in and out of school.

The total, section, test, and cross-test scores have been vertically scaled to allow the accurate measurement of growth from test to test. Encourage students to focus on the section scores if they are curious about the growth they can expect to see in their scores over the next year. They should look at the set of projected score ranges we have provided (only in online score reports) for students that reflect typical growth. Of course, a student's individual growth will be shaped by the courses taken and the practice the student undertakes between assessments.

Subscores are not on a vertical scale, and therefore comparing performance year after year should be based on relative performance rather than by calculating student growth across tests.

Students who wish to improve their performance on the SAT should follow these guidelines:

- Develop academic skills through challenging coursework.
- Read extensively and develop strong writing skills.
- Engage in deliberate practice in the three math areas that are emphasized the most in the assessments.
- Take practice tests and upload their results to Khan Academy for personalized practice of the skills they need to improve. To learn more, go to psat.org/practice.

## Benchmarks and Red/Yellow/Green Performance

### What are the PSAT 10 grade-level benchmarks?

The SAT Suite offers grade-level benchmarks that can be used to gauge whether students are on track for college readiness each year in grades 8–12. Grade-level benchmarks represent the section scores on each assessment that students should meet or exceed to be considered on track for college readiness.

The PSAT 10 reports benchmarks for 10th graders to help students understand their level of readiness for college and career training programs. The benchmarks help educators better understand how many students and also which students are on track to have the skills necessary for college-entry, credit-bearing courses. Equipped with this information, educators can support students who need extra help while there is still time for improvement. Teachers can also accelerate the progress of students who meet or exceed the benchmarks.

#### **RECOMMENDED USES**

Grade-level benchmarks can help educators:

- Identify students who are on track for success in college and career readiness.
- Identify students who may need extra support while there is still time for improvement.
- Find students who may be ready for more challenging coursework.

Grade-level benchmarks should not be used to assign academic tracks, to discourage students from pursuing college, or to keep students from participating in challenging courses. Rather, the benchmarks are intended to help all students better prepare for life after high school.

### How are the benchmarks calculated?

The College and Career Readiness Benchmarks for the current SAT predict a 75% likelihood of achieving a C or higher in related first-semester, credit-bearing college courses. The benchmarks are set at the section level, so there is a benchmark for Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and a benchmark for Math.

Score reports for the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 include grade-level benchmarks based on how students grow from year to year toward the SAT benchmarks.

PSAT 10	) Grade-Level Benchm	arks					
	Evidence-Based Reading and Writing						
10th Grade	430	480					

## What additional information is provided to help understand progress toward college readiness?

The student score report provides further context for understanding scores by showing a color-coded bar chart for the section scores. Students who met or exceeded the benchmark will be in the green portion of the score band. If students did not meet the benchmark but were close (within one year's growth), the score will be found in the yellow portion. Students who have a score indicating more than a year's growth below the grade-level benchmark will see their score in the red portion of the score band. Additionally, for each of the test scores and subscores, we have provided a color-coded guide to a student's relative strengths and weaknesses. The colors on each of these score scales represent the typical performance of students in their grade who met (green), approached (yellow), or were further away (red) from the benchmark.

### Percentiles

A student's percentile rank represents the percentage of students who score equal to or below the score the student obtained. For example, if a student's score is in the 75th percentile, 75% of a comparison group achieved scores at or below that student's score. Two types of percentile ranks, comparing student scores to two different reference populations, are provided in this publication for both total and section scores.

**Nationally representative percentiles** are derived from a research study of U.S. students in 10th grade and are weighted to represent all U.S. students in that grade, regardless of whether they typically take the PSAT 10.

**User group percentiles** are based on the actual scores of 10th grade students who took the PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 administered in 2015–16 and 2016–17.

### **Percentiles for Total Scores**

	10 <sup>™</sup> GRADE										
	PERCENTILES :										
Total Score	Representative										
1520	99+	99+									
1510	99+	99+									
1500	99+	99+									
1490	99+	99+									
1480	99+	99+									
1470	99+	99+									
1460	99+	99+									
1450	99+	99+									
1440	99+	99+									
1430	99+	99+									
1420	99	99									
1410	99	99									
1400	99	99									
1390	99	99									
1380	99	99									
1370	99	99									
1360	99	99									
1350	98	98									
1340	98	98									
1330	98	98									
1320	98	98									
1310	97	97									
1300	97	97									
1290	97	97									
1280	97	96									
1270	96	96									
1260	96	96									
1250	95	95									
1240	95	95									
1230	94	94									
1220	94	93									
1210	93	93									
1200	92	92									
1190	91	91									
1180	91	90									
1170	90	89									
1160	89	89									
1150	88	88									
1140	87	86									
1130	86	85									
1120 1110	84	84									
1110	03	03									

### **Percentiles for Total Scores (continued)**

	10 <sup>™</sup> GRADE										
	PERCENTILES										
Total Score	Nationally Representative Sample	PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 User									
1100	82	81									
1090	81	80									
1080	79	79									
1070	78	77									
1060	76	76									
1050	75	74									
1040	73	72									
1030	71	71									
1020	69	69									
1010	67	67									
1000	65	66									
990	63	64									
980	62	62									
970	60	60									
960	58	58									
950	56	56									
940	54	54									
930	52	52									
920	50	50									
910	48	48									
900	46	46									
890	44	44									
880	42	42									
870	40	40									
860	38	38									
850	36	36									
840	33	34									
830	31	32									
820	28	29									
810	26	27									
800	24	25									
790	22	23									
780	19	21									
770	17	19									
760	15	17									
750	13	15									
740	11	13									
730	9	11									
720	8	10									
710	6	8									
700	5	7									
690	4	6									

10 <sup>™</sup> GRADE									
	PERCEN								
Total Score	Nationally Representative Sample	PSAT/NMSQT							
680	3	5							
670	2	4							
660	2	3							
650	1	3							
640	1	2							
630	1	2							
620	1	2							
610	1-	1							
600	1-	1							
590	1-	1							
580	1-	1							
570	1-	1							
560	1-	1							
550	1-	1							
540	1-	1-							
530	1-	1-							
520	1-	1-							
510	1-	1-							
500	1-	1-							
490	1-	1-							
480	1-	1-							
470	1-	1-							
460	1-	1-							
450	1-	1-							
440	1-	1-							
430	1-	1-							
420	1-	1-							
410	1-	1-							
400	1-	1-							
390	1-	1-							
380	1-	1-							
370	1-	1-							
360	1-	1-							
350	1-	1-							
340	1-	1-							
330	1-	1-							
320	1-	1-							
Mean Score	939	935							
Standard Deviation	170	178							

### **Percentiles for Section Scores**

		10 <sup>™</sup> G	RADE				
	Evidence Reading ar		Ma	ath			
	PERCEN	NTILES	PERCE	NTILES			
Score	Nationally Representative Sample	PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 User	Nationally Representative Sample	PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 User			
760	99+	99+	99+	99+			
750	99+	99+	99+	99+			
740	99+	99+	99+	99			
730	99+	99+	99	99			
720	99+	99+	99	99			
710	99	99	99	99			
700	99	99	99	98			
690	99	98	98	98			
680	98	98	98	98			
670	98	97	97	97			
660	97	97	97	97			
650	97	96	96	97			
640	96	95	96	96			
630	95	94	95	96			
620	93	92	95	95			
610	92	91	94	94			
600	90	89	92	93			
590	89	88	91	91			
580	87	85	89	89			
570	85	83	86	87			
560	82	81	84	85			
550	79	78	82	82			
540	76	75	79	80			
530	73	72	76	77			
520	70	69	72	73			
510	66	65	69	71			
500	63	62	66	68			
490	59	59	62	64			
480	56	55	57	59			
470	53	52	52	55			
460	49	49	49	51			
450	46	45	46	47			

### **Percentiles for Section Scores (continued)**

10 <sup>™</sup> GRADE										
	Evidenc Reading a		Ma	nth						
	PERCE		PERCE	NTILES						
Score	Nationally Representative Sample	PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 User	Nationally Representative Sample	PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 User						
440	43	42	40	42						
430	39	38	36	38						
420	36	35	31	35						
410	32	31	26	29						
400	28	28	23	25						
390	24	24	19	21						
380	21	21	15	16						
370	17	17	12	13						
360	13	14	10	11						
350	10	11	7	8						
340	7	8	5	6						
330	5	6	3	5						
320	3	4	2	4						
310	2	3	2	3						
300	1	2	1	2						
290	1-	1	1	2						
280	1-	1	1-	1						
270	1-	1	1-	1						
260	1-	1	1-	1						
250	1-	1-	1-	1						
240	1-	1-	1-	1						
230	1-	1-	1-	1-						
220	1-	1-	1-	1-						
210	1-	1-	1-	1-						
200	1-	1-	1-	1-						
190	1-	1-	1-	1-						
180	1-	1-	1-	1-						
170	1-	1-	1-	1-						
160	1-	1-	1-	1-						
Mean Score	468	470	470	465						
Standard Deviation	94	99	88	92						

### **Answer Key**

Reading Test							
SECT	ION 1						
1	С						
2	С						
3	С						
4	D						
5	Α						
6	В						
7	С						
8	В						
9	Α						
10	С						
11	С						
12	Α						
13	В						
14	D						
15	D						
16	Α						
17	Α						
18	D						
19	Α						
20	Α						
21	В						
22	С						
23	D						
24	С						
25	Α						
26	С						
27	D						
28	Α						
29	Α						
30	Α						
31	В						
32	В						
33	D						
34	D						
35	С						
36	D						
37	D						
38	В						
39	D						
40	С						
41	В						
42	В						
43	D						
44	С						
45	Α						
46	В						
47	Α						

Writing and Language Test					
SEC	TION 2				
1	С				
2	D				
3	В				
4	Α				
5	С				
6	D				
7	С				
8	Α				
9	С				
10	С				
11	Α				
12	В				
13	D				
14	Α				
15	D				
16	В				
17	С				
18	Α				
19	D				
20	В				
21	С				
22	С				
23	С				
24	A				
25	В				
26	С				
27	A				
28	С				
29	В				
30	D				
31	В				
32	D				
33	A				
34 35	D B				
36	D				
36	A				
38	В				
39	С				
40	A				
41	В				
42	В				
43	D				
44	D				
77	U				

Math Test – No Calculator						
,	SECTION 3					
1	С					
2	D					
3	С					
4	Α					
5	В					
6	С					
7	В					
8	D					
9	Α					
10	Α					
11	С					
12	В					
13	D					
14	7					
15	22					
16	7/2, 3.5					
17	9/2, 4.5					

Math Test – Calculator									
5	SECTION 4								
1	D								
2	В								
3	D								
4	С								
5	B B								
6									
7	A B								
8									
9	Α								
10	Α								
11	D								
12	В								
13	С								
14	A								
15	В								
16	Α								
17	С								
18	D								
19	С								
20	С								
21	В								
22	В								
23	D								
24	D								
25	Α								
26	С								
27	С								
28	2/3, .666, .667								
29	20, 21, 26								
30	3105								
31	2/5, .4								

### Score Conversions

Score conversions show how raw scores are converted into test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores.

#### **IMPORTANT TO NOTE**

- The section score for the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section is calculated by adding the Reading Test score to the Writing and Language Test score and multiplying that figure by 10.
- The section score for the Math section is calculated by multiplying the Math Test score by 20.

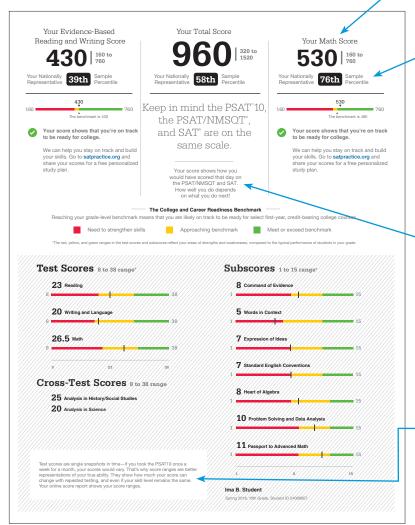
### **Score Conversions**

Raw Score (# of correct answers)	Reading Test Score	Writing and Language Test Score	Math Test Score
48			38
47	38		37.5
46	38		37
45	37		36
44	37	38	35
43	36	38	34
42	35	37	33
41	35	37	32
40	34	36	31
39	34	35	30.5
38	33	34	30
37	32	34	29.5
36	32	33	29
35	31	32	28.5
34	31	32	28
33	30	31	27.5
32	29	31	27
31	29	30	27
30	28	30	26.5
29	28	29	26
28	27	29	25.5
27	27	28	25
26	26	28	24.5
25	26	27	24.5
24	25	27	24
23	25	26	23.5
22	24	26	23
21	23	25	22.5
20	23	24	22
19	22	24	21.5
18	22	23	21
17	21	22	20.5
16	20	21	20
15	20	20	19.5
14	19	20	19
13	18	19	18.5
12 11	18 17	18 17	18 17
10	17	16	16.5
9	16	15	15.5
8	16	15	15.5
8 7	15	14	14
6	14	13	13
5	13	13	12.5
4	12	12	11.5
3	11	11	10.5
2	10	10	9.5
1	9	9	9
0	8	8	8

## The **PSAT 10**Score Report

### A Case Study: Ima B. Student's PSAT 10 Score Report

Take a look at Ima B. Student's sample score report below and on the next page. Use the corresponding information to help you interpret your student's PSAT 10 Score Report.



Score Report

#### What are Ima's scores?

Ima's Evidence-Based Reading and Writing score is 430, and her Math score is 530. In Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, Ima's score is at the benchmark, indicating that she is on track for college readiness. In Math, Ima is exceeding the benchmark and is on track. Test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores can give Ima a better understanding of areas to work on.

### What are Ima's score percentiles?

Since Ima is in 10th grade, the percentiles compare her scores with those of all 10th graders in the nation. Ima scored as well as or better in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing than 39% of a nationally representative group of sophomores. In Math, she scored as well as or better than 76% of a nationally representative group of sophomores. Additional percentiles are available in Ima's online score report.

#### How will Ima do on the SAT?

The PSAT 10 and SAT are scored on a common scale; therefore, if Ima had taken the SAT instead of the PSAT 10 on the same test date, she would have received the same score. When Ima takes the SAT, she will likely have had additional learning from school and practice. Her PSAT 10 results can help Ima focus her efforts in high school to be better prepared for the SAT.

### What are Ima's score ranges?

Ima can sign in to her online score report to see her score ranges. They indicate how much her score would likely vary if she took the test repeatedly under the same conditions, with no change in her skill level.



### What are Ima's next steps?

Under **Get more next steps online**, Ima is directed to **studentscores.collegeboard.org** to learn how to prepare for the SAT and see her potential for AP coursework.

### When should Ima take the SAT?

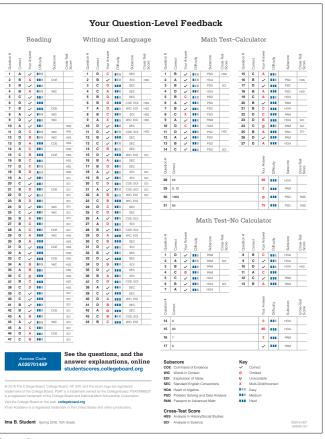
As a sophomore, Ima should begin planning when she will take the SAT. Most students take the SAT for the first time in their junior year. By planning now, Ima can ensure she has adequate time to practice for the SAT. She can take advantage of practice resources by visiting **studentscores.collegeboard.org**.

#### How can Ima learn from her answers?

Using her score report with her PSAT 10 test booklet, Ima can see the actual questions, correct answers, and difficulty level alongside her own answers. She can use her online score report to review the questions she answered incorrectly or omitted, and to see detailed answer explanations.

### How can Ima improve her academic skills?

Your Scores: Next Steps are based on her test scores, and what general skills similarly performing students understand. Ima can see which skills she performed well on and which she needs to improve. When she goes online and signs in to the full report, she can see additional skills and improvement steps. Ima can also link her account to Khan Academy for personalized practice recommendations.



Score Report

### The PSAT 10 Sample Score Report

### Hi, Ima B. Student

School Name: John F. Kennedy High School, School Code: 123456

Spring 2018, 10th Grade Student ID: 24068907 Optional Code: 00

Access Code: A02670146P College Board ID: 12345678



Your Score Report

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### The PSAT 10 Sample Score Report (continued)

Your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score

160 to

Your Nationally Representative



Sample Percentile





Your score shows that you're on track to be ready for college.

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Your Total Score

Your Nationally Representative



320 to

1520

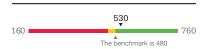
Keep in mind the PSAT 10 the PSAT/NMSQT®, and SAT® are on the same scale.

> Your score shows how you would have scored that day on the PSAT/NMSQT and SAT. How well you do depends on what you do next!

Your Math Score

Sample 76th Percentile

160 to





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Representative

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#### The College and Career Readiness Benchmark

Reaching your grade-level benchmark means that you are likely on track to be ready for select first-year, credit-bearing college courses.

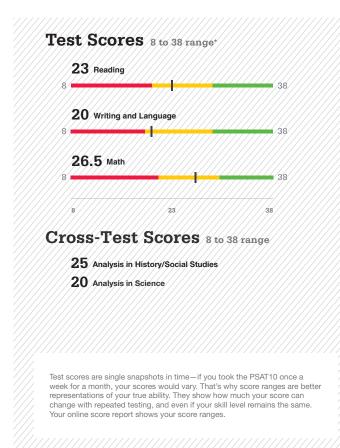
Need to strengthen skills

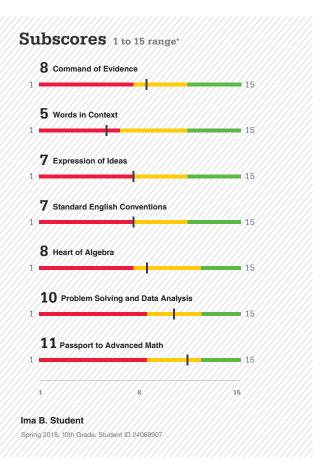
Approaching benchmark



Meet or exceed benchmark

\*The red, yellow, and green ranges in the test scores and subscores reflect your areas of strengths and weaknesses, compared to the typical performance of students in your grade





### The PSAT 10 Sample Score Report (continued)

### **Your Scores: Next Steps**

Additional skills and improvement suggestions can be found in your online score report.

Your score indicates that you are already likely able to:

### Reading Test

Improve your skills by focusing on the following suggestions:

Read a moderately challenging passage closely to draw a reasonable inference

Determine the best textual evidence for an inference when both evidence and inference are relatively obvious and direct (e.g., a clearly stated fact as evidence for a simple inference)

Determine the central idea or theme of a moderately challenging passage



When you are reading complex texts, look closely at the key information and ideas, and then use them to help you determine the central idea or theme the authors want to convey.

When you read, think about how a particular part of a text, such as a sentence, relates to and furthers the purpose of the text as a whole. Consider, for example, whether a certain detail illustrates a larger idea or provides a fact in support of it.

### Writing and Language Test

Use supporting information to achieve a simple purpose (e.g., providing a short list of examples introduced by "for instance")

Recognize and correct an obviously inappropriate shift in verb tense (e.g., using present tense when the context clearly calls for past

Distinguish between singular and plural possessive nouns and Distinguish between singular and personal between plural and possessive nouns



In drafting and revising, use vocabulary knowledge and an understanding of particular contexts to make effective word and phrase choices.

In revising, eliminate wordiness or redundancy within a sentence, such as when adjectives with the same meaning or very similar meanings (e.g., "fast" and "quick") are used to describe the same

#### Math Test

■ Solve a linear equation in one variable

Identify a key feature of one representation (graph, equation, table, etc.) of a linear relationship based on information about a different

■ Factor a monomial from a polynomial expression

Factor a trinomial into two binomials



Use function notation to represent dependent relationships.

Write radical expressions in equivalent forms using fractional exponents.

Add, subtract, multiply, and divide radical expressions.

Use the inverse relationship between roots and exponents to solve

### Get more next steps online





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See which AP courses may be good matches for you.



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### The PSAT 10 Sample Score Report (continued)

### Your Question-Level Feedback

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### Subscore

COE Command of Evidence

WIC Words in Context

EOI Expression of Ideas

SEC Standard English Conventions

HOA Heart of Algebra

PSD Problem Solving and Data Analysis

### PAM Passport to Advanced Math

### **Cross-Test Score**

HSS Analysis in History/Social Studies

SCI Analysis in Science

### Key

Correct

Omitted

Unscorable X Multi-Grid/Incorrect

■■■ Easy ■■■ Medium

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