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# Understanding your PSAT Score Report

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**PSAT/NMSQT**

 CollegeBoard /  NATIONAL MERIT  
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# How can I access my PSAT/NMSQT scores?

## Paper Score Report



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

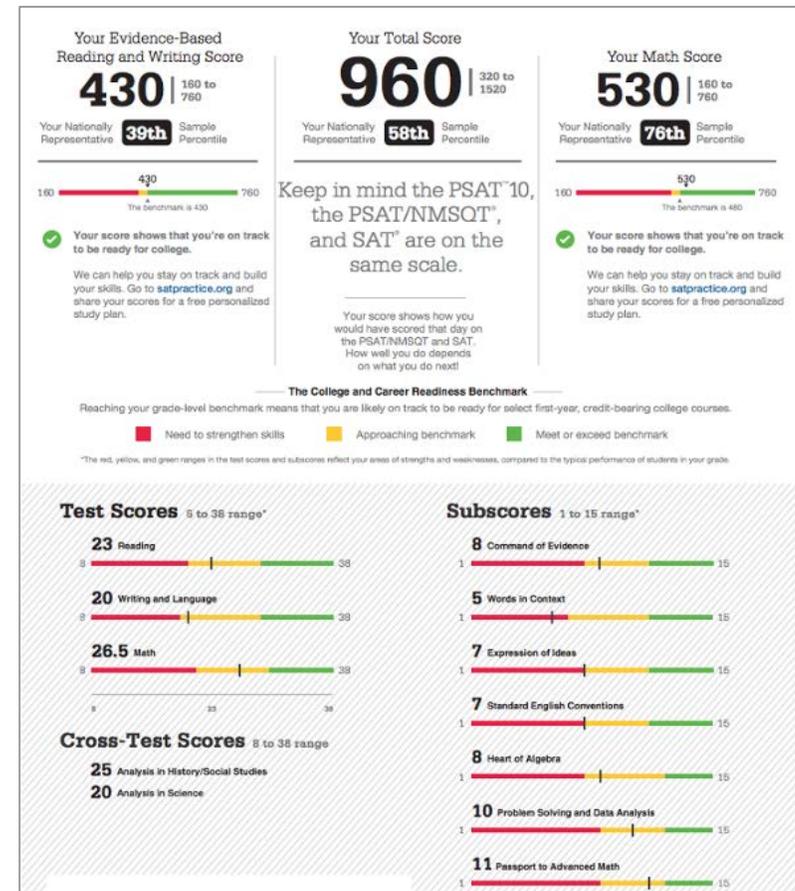
**PSAT/NMSQT**  
Computerized / Digitized Score Report

### Your Summary Score Report

Get Your Full Score Report Online  
[psat.org/mgacore](http://psat.org/mgacore)

**Hi, Mrs D. Student**  
School Name: John F. Kennedy High School  
School Code: 123456  
Student ID: 987654  
Student ID: 987654  
Parent/Teacher ID:  
School Code: 123456789  
College Student ID: 12345678

## Online Score Report



**Your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score**  
**430** | 160 to 760  
Your Nationally Representative **39th** Sample Percentile

**Your Total Score**  
**960** | 320 to 1520  
Your Nationally Representative **58th** Sample Percentile

**Your Math Score**  
**530** | 160 to 760  
Your Nationally Representative **76th** Sample Percentile

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

**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

**Test Scores** 8 to 38 range\*

23	Reading
20	Writing and Language
26.5	Math

**Subscores** 1 to 15 range\*

8	Command of Evidence
5	Words in Context
7	Expression of Ideas
7	Standard English Conventions
8	Heart of Algebra
10	Problem Solving and Data Analysis
11	Passport to Advanced Math

**Cross-Test Scores** 8 to 38 range

25	Analysis in History/Social Studies
20	Analysis in Science

## YOUR SCORE TODAY

### Your Total Score

**960** | 320 to 1520

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

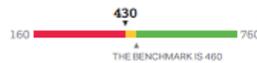


You scored equal to or higher than 51% of students

### Your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score

**430** | 160 to 760

You are in the **31<sup>st</sup>** percentile

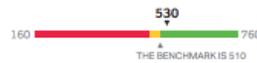


**!** Your score shows that you're almost on track to be ready for college, but you need to keep building your skills.

### Your Math Score

**530** | 160 to 760

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



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

### Your Test Scores\*

Reading  
**23** | 8 to 38

Writing and Language  
**20** | 8 to 38

Math  
**26.5** | 8 to 38

\* Additional detailed scores, like test scores, provide students with a deeper understanding of their performance. Test scores are also used to calculate your NMSC Selection Index.



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!



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

## Section Scores

**Need to Strengthen Skills** = below grade-level benchmark by more than one year

**Approaching Benchmark** = below grade-level benchmark by one year or less

**Meets or Exceeds Benchmark** = at or above grade-level benchmark

## Test scores and subscores

Red, yellow, and green ranges reflect areas of strengths and weaknesses compared to the typical performance of students

### EBRW Score

- Scored a 430 out of 700
- Is approaching benchmark, but is not quite on track for college readiness
- Scored equal or higher than 31% of students

### Math Score

- Scored a 530 out of 700
- Is exceeding the benchmark and is on track
- Scored equal or higher than 69% of students

## 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.



Your NMSC Selection Index

139

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 2018 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.

→ **The National Merit Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955**

→ **Of the 1.5 million students who take the PSAT/NMSQT, some 50,000 with the highest PSAT/NMSQT Selection Index scores qualify for recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Program**

→ **NMSC selection index of 139 which is double the sum of Reading Test (23), Writing & Language Test (20), and Math Test (26.5) scores**

→ **In September, these high scorers are notified through their schools that they have qualified as either a Commended Student or a Semifinalist.**

**For more information visit:  
[www.nationalmerit.org](http://www.nationalmerit.org)**

Students can access their scores online and read the actual text of the questions and get answer explanations

### Your Question-Level Feedback

#### QUESTIONS OVERVIEW

READING	WRITING AND LANGUAGE	MATH - CALCULATOR	MATH - NO CALCULATOR
47 Total 25 Correct	21 Total 1 Correct	31 Total 14 Correct	15 Total 2 Correct
44 Total 26 Correct	17 Total 1 Correct	31 Total 14 Correct	15 Total 2 Correct
17 Total 7 Correct	10 Total 0 Correct	17 Total 7 Correct	10 Total 0 Correct

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

**KEY**

- Correct
- Incorrect
- Unanswered
- More Information
- Easy Question
- Medium Question
- Hard Question
- Key Question Match

Question ID	Item	Response	Correct	Difficulty
1	A	✓	✓	Easy
2	B	✗	✗	Easy
3	C	✗	✗	Easy
4	D	✓	✓	Easy
5	A	✓	✓	Easy
6	B	✗	✗	Easy
7	C	✗	✗	Easy
8	D	✓	✓	Easy
9	A	✓	✓	Easy
10	B	✗	✗	Easy
11	C	✗	✗	Easy
12	D	✓	✓	Easy
13	A	✓	✓	Easy
14	B	✗	✗	Easy
15	C	✗	✗	Easy
16	D	✓	✓	Easy
17	A	✓	✓	Easy
18	B	✗	✗	Easy
19	C	✗	✗	Easy
20	D	✓	✓	Easy
21	A	✓	✓	Easy
22	B	✗	✗	Easy
23	C	✗	✗	Easy
24	D	✓	✓	Easy
25	A	✓	✓	Easy
26	B	✗	✗	Easy
27	C	✗	✗	Easy
28	D	✓	✓	Easy
29	A	✓	✓	Easy
30	B	✗	✗	Easy
31	C	✗	✗	Easy
32	D	✓	✓	Easy
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34	B	✗	✗	Easy
35	C	✗	✗	Easy
36	D	✓	✓	Easy
37	A	✓	✓	Easy
38	B	✗	✗	Easy
39	C	✗	✗	Easy
40	D	✓	✓	Easy
41	A	✓	✓	Easy
42	B	✗	✗	Easy
43	C	✗	✗	Easy
44	D	✓	✓	Easy
45	A	✓	✓	Easy
46	B	✗	✗	Easy
47	C	✗	✗	Easy

**MATH - NO CALCULATOR**

Question ID	Item	Response	Correct	Difficulty
1	D	✓	✓	Easy
2	A	✓	✓	Easy
3	B	✗	✗	Easy
4	C	✗	✗	Easy
5	C	✗	✗	Easy
6	B	✗	✗	Easy
7	A	✓	✓	Easy

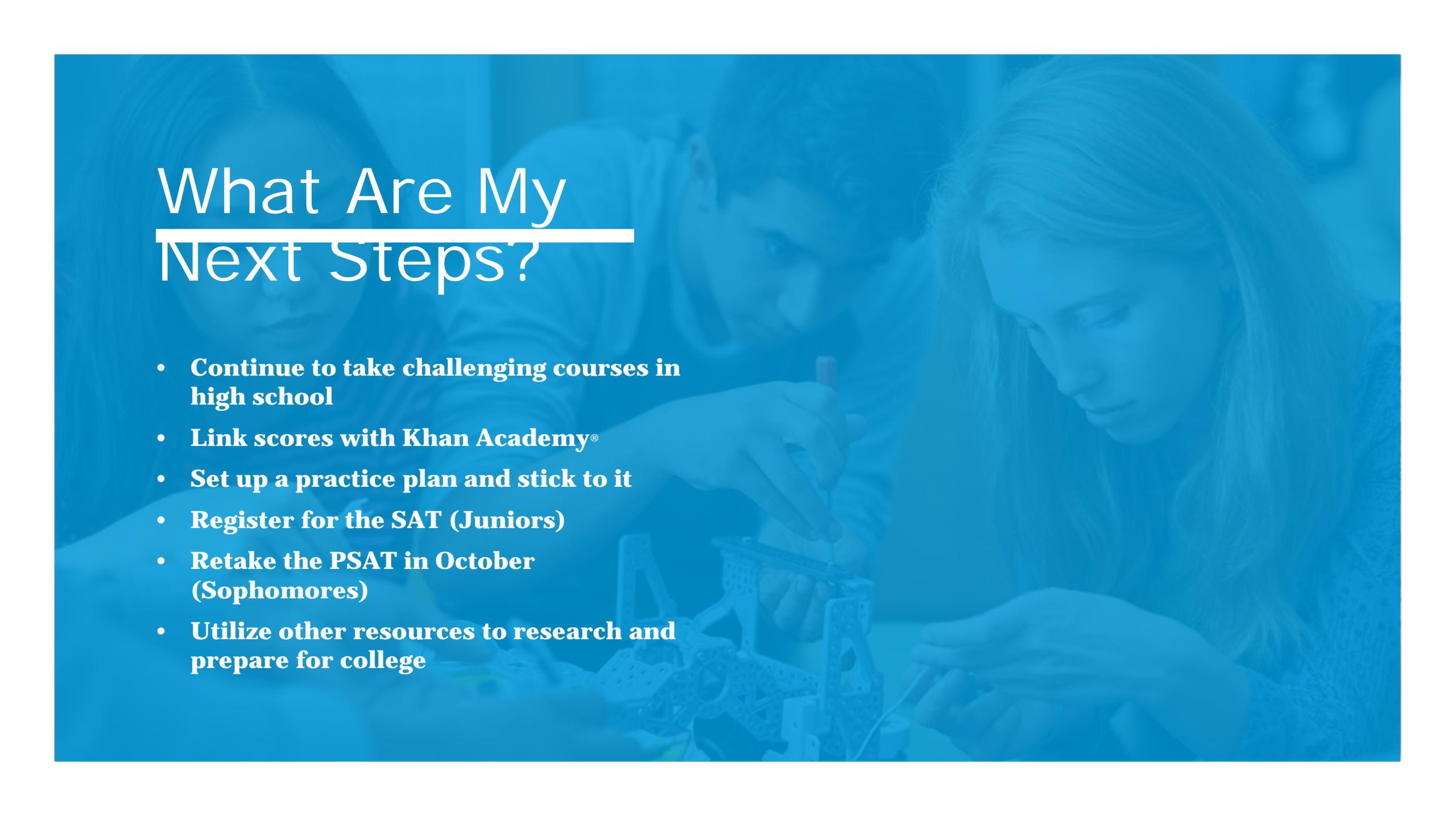
- Identify the questions answered correctly, incorrectly & omitted.
- Identify the level of difficulty. How many questions did I miss at each level?
- A great way to start improving is to check out the easy questions you missed first!

# How Can I Practice with Khan Academy®?

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



- Thousands of practice questions and videos covering every SAT® concept
- Six 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

The background of the slide features a photograph of several students in a classroom or lab setting, focused on a project. They are working with what appears to be a LEGO Technic structure. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter. The text is white, providing high contrast against the blue background.

# 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 (Juniors)**
- **Retake the PSAT in October (Sophomores)**
- **Utilize other resources to research and prepare for college**