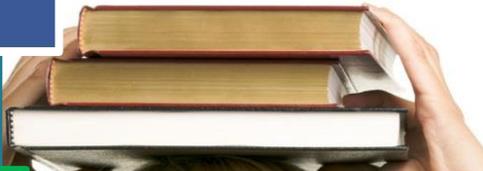


# There's just so much to know!

*Let's talk about this generation for a minute.*

*It might impact the **ACT***



# English

*Know the **Score** you need!*



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1	1%	1	39	52%	17
2	3%	2	40	53%	17
3	4%	2	41	55%	18
4	5%	3	42	56%	18
5	7%	3	43	57%	19
6	8%	4	44	59%	19
7	9%	4	45	60%	20
8	11%	5	46	61%	20

# Correct/75	% Score	ACT Score
46	61%	20
47	63%	20
48	64%	21
49	65%	21
50	67%	21
51	68%	22
52	69%	22

# Correct/75	% Score	ACT Score
47	63%	20
48	64%	21
49	65%	21
50	67%	21
51	68%	22
52	69%	22
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60	80%	26
61	81%	26
62	83%	27
63	84%	28
64	85%	28
65	87%	29
66	88%	30
67	89%	31
68	91%	32
69	92%	32
70	93%	33
71	95%	34
72	96%	35
73	97%	35
74	99%	35
75	100%	36

36	48%	16
37	49%	16
38	51%	16

# English Test

**Study the Trends**

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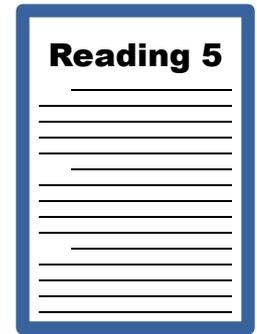
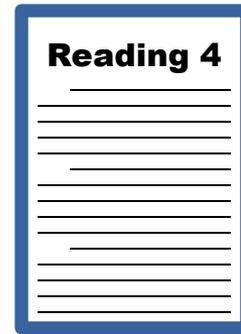
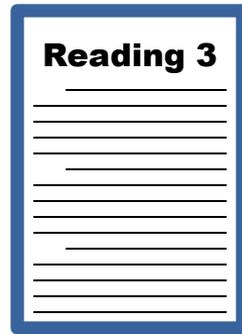
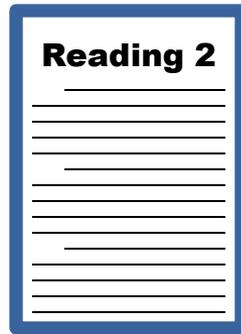
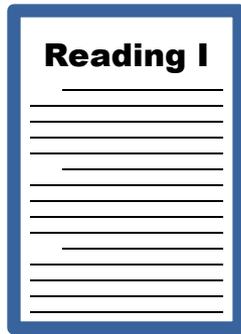
**Master 1 Test**  
**Pair Like Questions**  
**Study Wrong Answers**  
**Teach What you Know**

Reference ACT Classroom Suggestions

# English Test

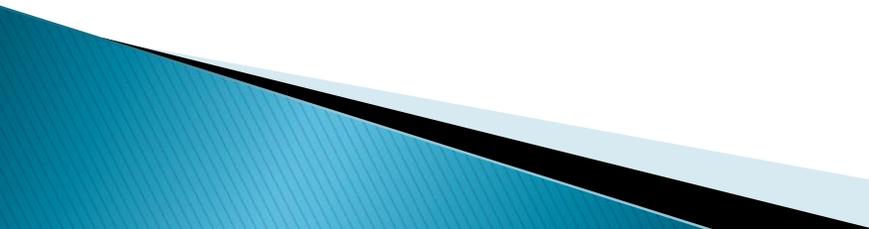
## Know the Structure!

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**5 Readings, 15 Questions Each**



## ACT English Skills Chart – Don't have to know EVERYTHING!

TOPIC	SUGGESTION
<b>End Punctuation</b>	Start with periods and semi-colons first
<b>Colons and Dashes</b>	MUST have a full sentence BEFORE them. Don't worry so much about what follows the colon or dash
<b>Commas</b>	After testing any end punctuation answers, start with the answer with the most commas and work your way back to the least
<b>Splices/Fuses</b>	Always be aware of Comma Splices (2 sentences joined by a comma) and Fused Sentences (2 sentences placed together with no punctuation). They are ALWAYS wrong!
<b>Verb Agreement</b>	Find the subject that is actually doing the verb. Be sure to eliminate any intervening prepositional phrases. Verbs don't agree with objects of prepositions.
<b>Verb Tense</b>	Look at the first line of the passage and match verb endings. Remember that the tense will not switch within a given passage.
<b>Transitions</b>	Identify the specific items that the transition seeks to connect. Ask yourself, "are these two items similar, different, sequential, cause/effect, general/specific?"
<b>Wording</b>	If all of the answers are differently worded and of varying lengths, choose between the two shorter answers.
<b>"If the writer were to delete..."</b>	Look at the passage that is to be deleted, and ask yourself what would be lost without it BEFORE looking at any of the answers. Classify the loss: details, reasons, examples, explanations
<b>"If the writer were to add..."</b>	Look at the first few words, and match the subject with the logical location for that subject. When presented with a "Yes/No" question, consider the focus of the paragraph being referenced.
<b>Primary Purpose</b>	Reread the first sentence of the passage and the last sentence of the passage. Don't be thrown by answers that are true, but not consistent with overall focus.
<b>Long Questions</b>	Find the core of long questions, and avoid being distracted by the surrounding details. What is the question specifically looking for?
<b>Apostrophes</b>	Be sure that possessive options actually link to something possessed. Be careful not to confuse possessives with plurals or contracted words.
<b>Who/Whom</b>	"Who" pitches. "Whom" catches. "Who" does the verb; "Whom" receives the verb or functions as an object.
<b>Look for pairs...</b>	Answers can often be paired into simple choices. Make the simple choices first. Then, look at the difference between what remains.
<b>Watch out for...</b>	"Could of," "Should of," "Would of" are always wrong! Could "have," Should "have," Would "have," or "Could've, Should've, Would've" are correct!
<b>All things being equal...</b>	If all things are equal, DON'T ADD WORDS!

# Reading

Know the **Score** you need!



# Correct/40	% Score	ACT Score
0	0%	1
1	3%	2
2	5%	4
3	8%	6
4	10%	7
5	13%	8
6-7	18-15%	10
8	20%	11
	23-25%	12
	28%	13
	30-33%	14
	35%	15
	38-40%	16
	43%	17
	45%	18
	48-50%	19
	53%	20
	55-58%	21
	60%	22
	63-65%	23
	68%	24
	70%	25
	73%	26
	75%	27
	78%	28
	80%	29
	83%	30
	85%	31
	88%	32
	90%	32
	93%	33
	95%	34
39	98%	35
40	100%	36

# Correct/40	% Score	ACT Score
18	45%	18
19-20	48-50%	19
21	53%	20
22-23	55-58%	21
24	60%	22
25-26	63-65%	23
27	68%	24

# Form

Where the Answers Live...



**Introduction**  
**Setting**  
**Characters**  
**Thesis**  
**Predictors**

**Conflict**  
**Climax**  
**Turning Point**  
**Major Barrier**  
**Red Herring**



**Falling Action**  
**New Resolve**  
**Strategy**  
**Innovation**

**Conclusion**  
**Theme**  
**Epiphany**  
**Reflection**  
**Summary**

# 4 Readings – 10 Questions Each

## PROSE FICTION

### Plot

Exposition  
Conflict Development  
Resolution

### Setting

Mood

Character

Tone

Style



## SOCIAL SCIENCE

### Key Names

Dates

Cause/Effect

Chronology

Tone

Social

Controversies

Social Context



## HUMANITIES

### Biography

Historical  
Contemporary

Historical

Context

Artistic Context

Period/Genre

Chronology

Exemplification

Tone



## NATURAL SCIENCE

### Problem

Solution

Verifiable Facts

Scientific

Theories

Cause/Effect

Comparison/

Contrast

Steps in

Sequence

Prominent

Scientists

Applications



# Reading Tips:

## **ACT Reading Tip: Follow the recommended ACT reading comprehension method**

- 1. Read the passage and write short notes next to each paragraph.**
  - Focus on the topic and purpose of the passage**
  - Keep track of different people and opinions**
- 2. Read the question and identify helpful hints.**
  - Line references and keywords can help you find the answer**
- 3. Predict an answer BEFORE you look at the answer choices.**

# Reading Tips:

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GET WHAT YOU NEED. GET IN.

ACT Reading Tip: Know the ACT reading comprehension question types

**Main Idea questions** – Ask about the passage as a whole

**Inference & Writer's View questions** – Ask you to understand something that isn't directly stated in the passage

**Detail questions** – Ask about specific parts of the passage

**Vocab-in-Context questions** – Ask about a word as it is used in the passage

**Function questions** – Ask about the purpose of a specific part of the passage

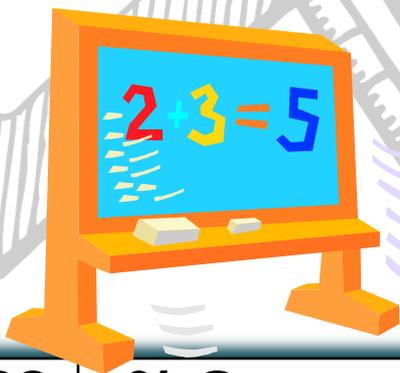
# Reading Tips:

## ACT Reading Tip: Know the ACT reading comprehension trap answers

1. **Distortion** – twists details from the passage so they are no longer correct
2. **Misused detail** – a true statement from the passage, but one that doesn't answer the question
3. **Out-of-scope** – includes information not included in the passage
4. **Extreme** – too extreme to reflect the author's purpose (often includes words like always, never, best, worst, etc.)
5. **Opposite** – contradicts the information in the passage

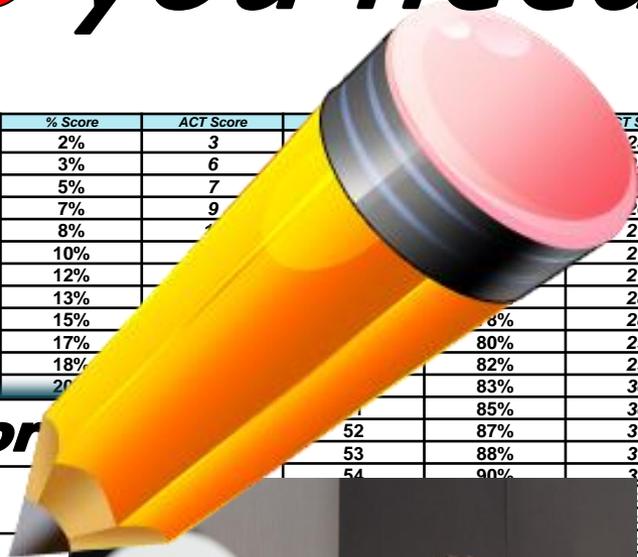
# Math – 60 Questions

Know the **Score** you need!



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49	82%	54
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52	87%	57
53	88%	58
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55	92%	60

# Correct/60	% Score	ACT Score
29	48%	19
30	50%	20
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# Math – 60 Questions

*Slay the beasts you can!*

31 questions = 21 Score

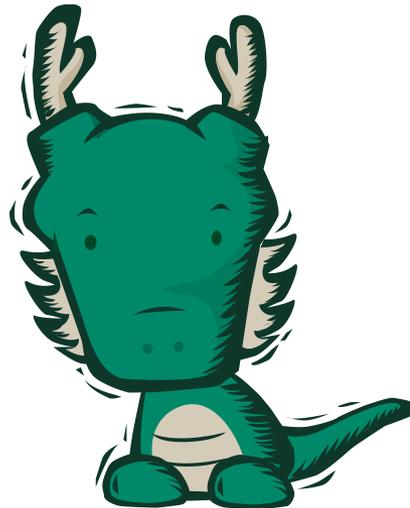


**Integrating  
Essential Skills**  
25 Questions



**Number &  
Quantity**  
5 Questions

**Algebra**  
8 Questions



**Functions &  
Geometry**  
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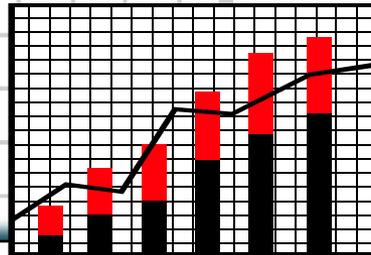
**Statistics &  
Probability**  
6 Questions

## ACT Math Strategies

- 1) Know your number. Score=number correct
- 2) Know the breakdown of Math content.
- 3) Blitz the 1<sup>st</sup> 20: 'Gain 10 minutes'
  - Complete 1-20/25 in **10** minutes
  - Complete 21-40 in **20** minutes
  - Complete 41-60 in **30** minutes
- 4) Word Problems: Read last sentence first.
- 5) Reduce your problems. Divide the practice test into sections and time yourself.
- 6) Recognize 'Plug and Chug'.
- 7) Work 1 page at a time: work all the problems on one page then bubble in. Don't break your 'groove'.
- 6) Review formulas.
- 7) Highlight missed problems on practice test and 'own' them. Know why you missed those problems.
- 6) Guess the same letter (ex. C) for all questions you don't know answer.
- 7) Eliminate Answers

# Science & Logic

Know the *Score* you need!



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1	3%	3
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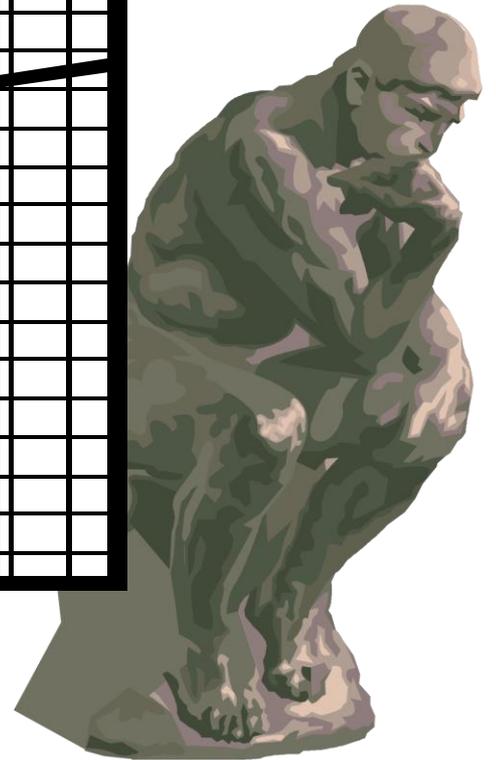
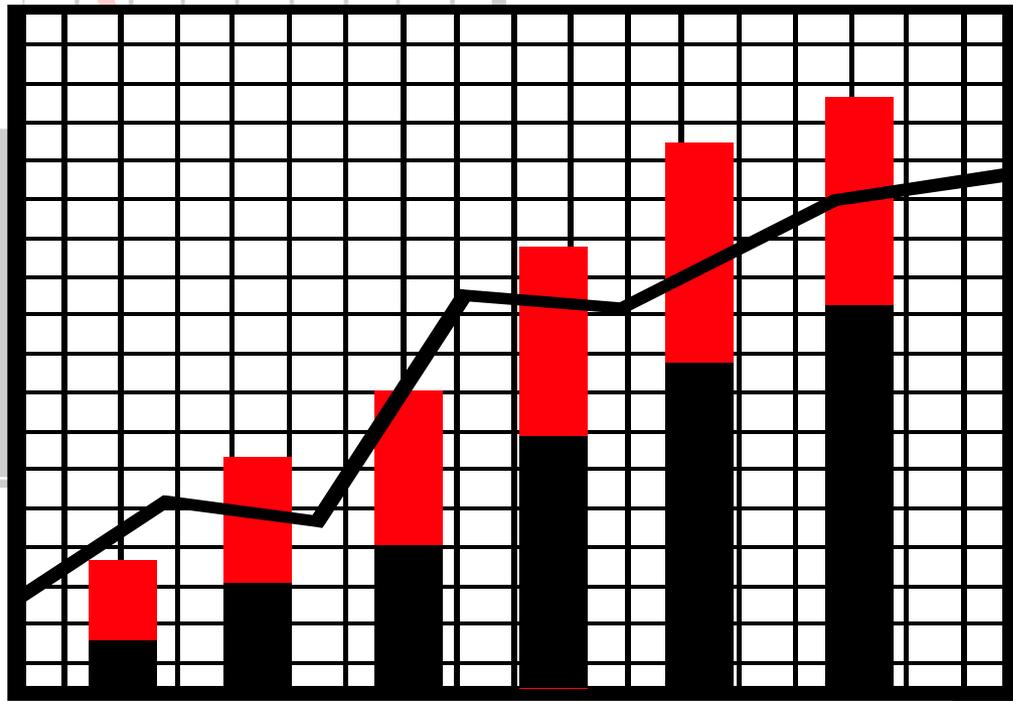
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# Science & Logic

*Look out for **TRENDS!***

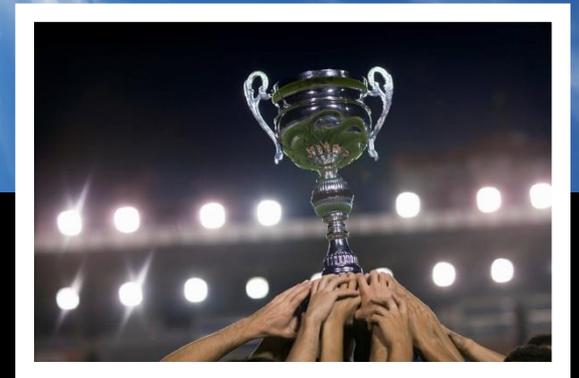
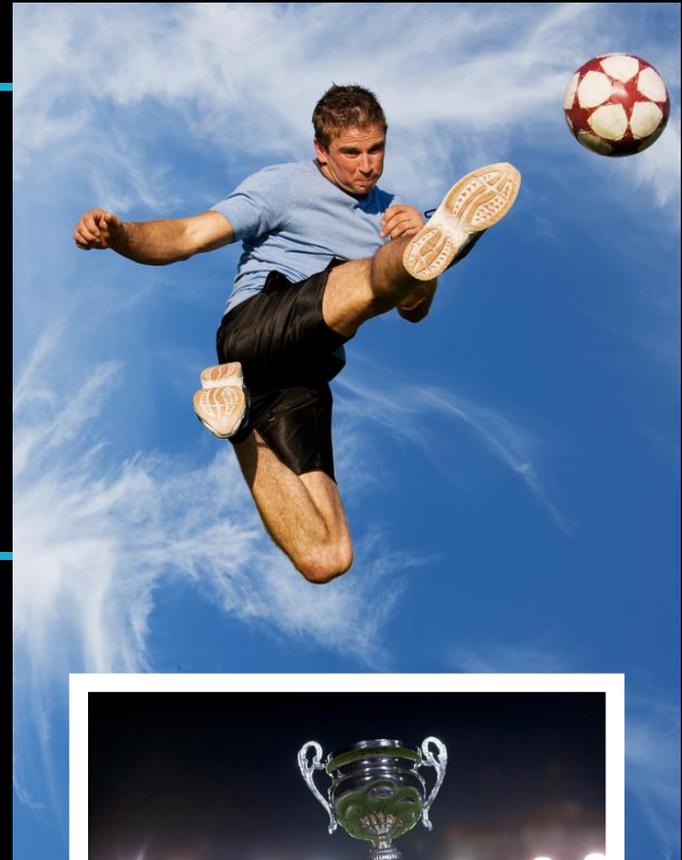


# It's Your Turn!

**Don't head to the game without practicing!**

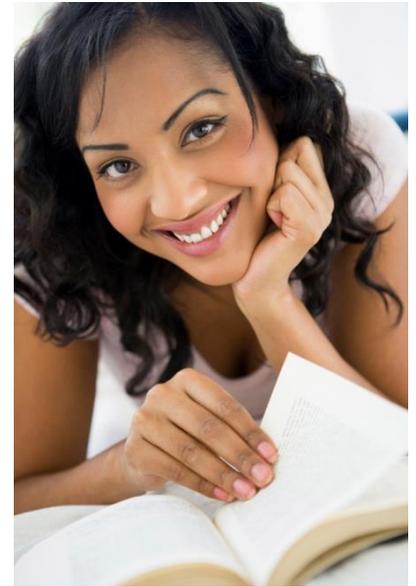
*“The world's a stage, and most of us are desperately unrehearsed.”*

*Sean O'Casey*



# Where do we start?

- ▶ Be Honest
- ▶ Ask
- ▶ Problem Solve Hurdles
- ▶ Practice, Practice, Practice
- ▶ Teach someone else what you learn



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If you really want to score well. . .  
simply practice more!

***It's easier than you think. . . PROMISE!***

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