



Understanding PSAT™ 10 Scores



Accessing Scores

The PSAT 10 is the second test in the SAT Suite of Assessments. If you took the PSAT™ 8/9, you can use your PSAT 10 scores to see where you've grown your skills and knowledge and where you might need to focus more energy.

Your PSAT 10 scores will also provide important insights that will help you as you progress through high school and begin to think about your plans after high school.

How to get your scores:

- A PDF score report is available from your school and includes in-depth information about your performance.
- If you provided a cell phone number when you took the PSAT 10, you can download the BigFuture® School mobile app, and you'll get a text message telling you when your scores are available to view.
- As always, if you're age 13 or older, you may use a personal College Board student account to view additional insights online.

Score Summary

When viewing your PSAT 10 scores, the first thing you'll see is your total score, which is a combination of your scores on the Reading and Writing section and the Math section.

Understanding scores:

- All possible scores:
 - 320–1520 for total score
 - 160–760 for section scores

- Your score range: This range shows how much your scores would likely vary if you took a different administration of the test under identical conditions. From recent administrations of the PSAT 10, these ranges are approximately:
 - Total: ± 40 points
 - Reading and Writing: ± 20 points
 - Math: ± 30 points
- Percentile comparisons: The percentile comparison helps you understand the percentage of students scoring the same as or lower than you. For example, 75th percentile means that your score was the same as or higher than scores earned by 75% of other students.

Learn more about understanding and using scores: [Understanding Scores for Students/Families.](#)

Knowledge and Skills

In the Knowledge and Skills section, you'll see a graphic that shows your performance on each of the eight content areas measured on the PSAT 10. There are four content areas in Reading and Writing, and four in Math.

For each content area, you'll see:

- The approximate number of questions in the content area.
- The percentage of the section covered by that area (e.g., 12–14 questions would be about 26% of the Reading and Writing section).
- A visual indication of how you performed in each content area.

You can use this section to learn more about your strengths and areas that need improvement.

Discover Growing Careers

Your score report may have you thinking about what comes next. Career Insights Snapshot is a new addition to the PDF score report and includes a list of growing careers in your state that need skills like yours. Please note that this list DOES NOT SHOW CAREER RECOMMENDATIONS or the only careers you should consider. The list can show you more about what careers are out there and key aspects of a job, like whether it requires a college degree.

Each job on your score report:

- Is growing in your state, meaning there are jobs available.
- Pays a living wage, because we know salary is important.
- Requires more education after high school, in some cases college, but not in all.
- Connects to the math, reading, and writing skills you demonstrated on the PSAT 10, because every job has a set of measurable skills.

All of this might make you curious about a career on the list—or maybe none of the options feels like a great fit. That's okay! The insights can help you start thinking about what you might want to do after high school.

To learn more about your options and careers that include your interests, [take the short career quiz](#).

BigFuture School

In the BigFuture School mobile app, you'll see much of the same information available on the score report PDF. You'll also have access to additional resources about scholarships, financial aid, and planning for college or careers. The BigFuture School app is available to domestic students age 13 and over.

Learn more at satsuite.org/bigfutureschool.



View a video walk-through of the score report

PSAT 10 Sample Score Report

Name: Parker Pupil
Grade: 10
Test administration: PSAT 10 Spring 2024
Tested on: Mar. 4, 2024
Record Locator: 4561264

Your Score Report

PSAT 10 Scores

TOTAL SCORE
1120 330-1100 (75th*)

Score Range: 1050-1160
Average Score (all test-takers): 1100

SECTION SCORES

Reading and Writing
620 160-760 (60th*)

Your Score Range: 530-630
Average Score (all test-takers): 600

Math
500 160-760 (70th*)

Your Score Range: 470-530
Average Score (all test-takers): 530

* Percentiles represent the percent of 10th grade test takers from the past 3 years who scored the same as or below you.
Score range: This is the range of scores you could possibly get if you took the PSAT 10 Multiple times on different days.

Knowledge and Skills

View your performance across the 8 content domains measured on the PSAT 10.

Reading and Writing

Information and Ideas (26% of test section, 12-14 questions)

Craft and Structure (28% of test section, 13-15 questions)

Expression of Ideas (20% of test section, 8-12 questions)

Standard English Conventions (26% of test section, 11-15 questions)

Math

Algebra (35% of test section, 13-15 questions)

Advanced Math (32.5% of test section, 12-14 questions)

Problem Solving & Data Analysis (20% of test section, 7-9 questions)

Geometry & Trigonometry (12.5% of test section, 4-6 questions)

Career Insights Snapshot

Your skills are in demand! Consider exploring these growing careers in your state that need skills like yours. **These are examples, not recommendations,** to help jump-start your career exploration.

| INTEREST AREA* | CAREER EXAMPLES | MEDIAN YEARLY INCOME IN MI. | NUMBER OF JOBS IN MI† | JOB GROWTH ‡ | MOST COMMON EDUCATION LEVEL |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Doers | Industrial Machinery Mechanics | \$59,000 | 25,600 | ‡ +10% | Certificate |
| Persuaders | Wind Energy Operations Managers | \$63,000 | 24,300 | ‡ +10% | Associate degree |
| Creators | Graphic Designers | \$46,000 | 8,900 | ‡ +9% | Bachelor's degree |
| Helpers | Critical Care Nurses | \$77,000 | 107,000 | ‡ +3% | Bachelor's degree |
| Thinkers | Mechanical Engineers | \$92,000 | 33,900 | ‡ +3% | Bachelor's degree |
| Organizers | Treasurers and Financial Controllers | \$124,000 | 21,100 | ‡ +12% | Bachelor's degree |

* For more information about career insights, including interest areas, visit satsuite.org/whatsnext.
† Number of reflects the expected number of new job openings in 2028. Percentage reflects the expected growth in new job openings between 2023 and 2028.
‡ Data source: Lightcast

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