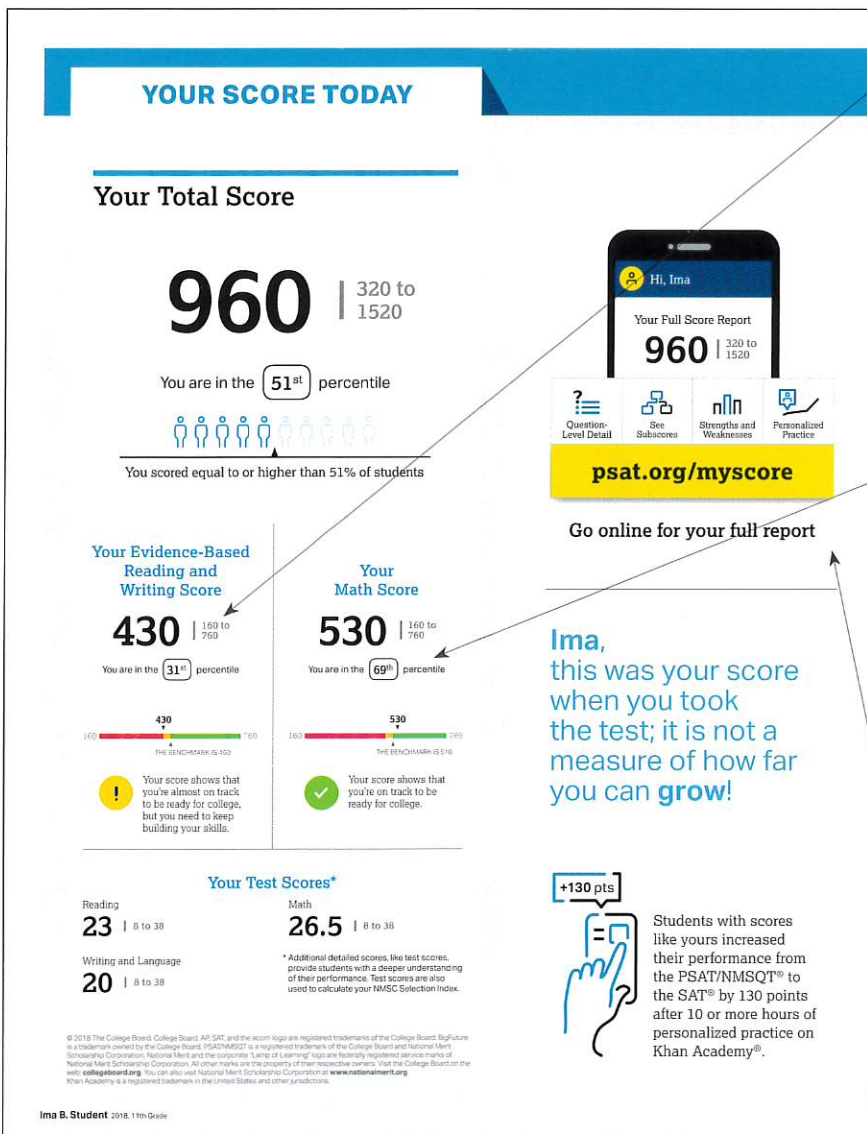


A PARENT TUTORIAL

Understanding 2018 PSAT/NMSQT Results

A Case Study: Ima B. Student's PSAT/NMSQT Score Report

Take a look at Ima B. Student's sample score report below and on the back. Use the information to help you interpret your student's PSAT/NMSQT® 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 approaching the benchmark, but she is not quite on track for college readiness. In Math, however, 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 the 11th grade, the percentiles compare her scores with those of all 11th graders in the nation. Ima scored as well as or better in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing than 31% of a nationally representative group of juniors. In Math, she scored as well as or better than 69% of a nationally representative group of juniors. Additional percentiles are available in Ima's online score report.

How can Ima see her full report?

Ima is directed to psat.org/myscore to see her full score report, learn how to prepare for the SAT®, and see her potential for AP® coursework.

Your Question-Level Feedback

QUESTIONS OVERVIEW

Section	Question #	Correct	Your Answer	Difficulty
READING	1	✓	A	1
	2	✓	A	1
	3	✓	A	1
	4	✓	A	1
	5	✓	A	1
	6	✓	A	1
	7	✓	A	1
	8	✓	A	1
	9	✓	A	1
	10	✓	A	1
WRITING AND LANGUAGE	11	✓	A	1
	12	✓	A	1
	13	✓	A	1
	14	✓	A	1
	15	✓	A	1
	16	✓	A	1
	17	✓	A	1
	18	✓	A	1
	19	✓	A	1
	20	✓	A	1
MATH - CALCULATOR	21	✓	A	1
	22	✓	A	1
	23	✓	A	1
	24	✓	A	1
	25	✓	A	1
	26	✓	A	1
	27	✓	A	1
	28	✓	A	1
	29	✓	A	1
	30	✓	A	1
MATH - NO CALCULATOR	31	✓	A	1
	32	✓	A	1
	33	✓	A	1
	34	✓	A	1
	35	✓	A	1
	36	✓	A	1
	37	✓	A	1
	38	✓	A	1
	39	✓	A	1
	40	✓	A	1
MATH - CALCULATOR	41	✓	A	1
	42	✓	A	1
	43	✓	A	1
	44	✓	A	1
	45	✓	A	1
	46	✓	A	1
	47	✓	A	1
	48	✓	A	1
	49	✓	A	1
	50	✓	A	1

Score Report

What are Ima's next steps?

When Ima accesses her full score report at psat.org/myscore, she'll also be able to connect to free, personalized practice on Khan Academy®; see her potential for AP coursework, and use the college- and career-planning resources at BigFuture™. Ima has an NMSC Selection Index score of 139, which is double the sum of her Reading Test (23), Writing and Language Test (20), and Math Test (26.5) scores. This Selection Index score is used by National Merit Scholarship Corporation to designate students to be recognized in its National Merit® Scholarship Program. If an asterisk had appeared next to Ima's score, it would mean she did not meet entry requirements for the program or her score was provided for guidance purposes only and would not be considered in the National Merit Scholarship Program. In this case, Ima meets entry requirements and will be recognized if her score places her among the 50,000 high scorers. For entry requirements and information on the steps in the competition, see the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide or visit www.nationalmerit.org.

When should Ima take the SAT?

As a junior, 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 psat.org/myscore.

How can Ima learn from her answers?

Using her score report with her PSAT/NMSQT 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.

NOTE: For students at schools participating in the test administration study or research group or testing on Saturday, October 13, the actual questions, answers, and answer explanations won't be provided, and the score report won't include the correct answer column.

YOUR PATH TOMORROW

Here's what else is waiting for you online:

- 1 A link to free personalized practice on Khan Academy
- 2 A list of the challenging courses you're ready for
- 3 Your customized starter college list
- 4 Don't forget! Register to take the SAT

Check out the tools at BigFuture™ to kick-start your college plans.

Congrat! Your scores show you're ready to succeed in AP® courses.

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National Merit Scholarship Corporation

139 Your NMSC Selection Index

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Eligibility Information
To be eligible for NMSC's Selection Index score, you must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, have completed high school or be in the final year of high school, and have taken the SAT or ACT.

Entry Requirements
High school students: 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 (NMSC) conducts the National Merit Scholarship Program, an academic competition for recognition and college scholarship.

To designate students who qualify for recognition in the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program, NMSC will consider the 2018 PSAT/NMSQT® Selection Index score. To receive this honor, your high school must be an NMSC member school.

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: www.nationalmerit.org

Who must provide entry requirements: For more information, please visit www.nationalmerit.org

Include your name and home address along with your high school name, address, and six-digit code number.

year and fall of senior year.

deadline in spring of junior year and fall of senior year.