

Understanding Your PSAT/NMSQT Results

5 Major Parts of Your PSAT/NMSQT Results

Your Scores

Review Your Answers

Improve Your Skills

NMSC Programs

Your Educational Plans

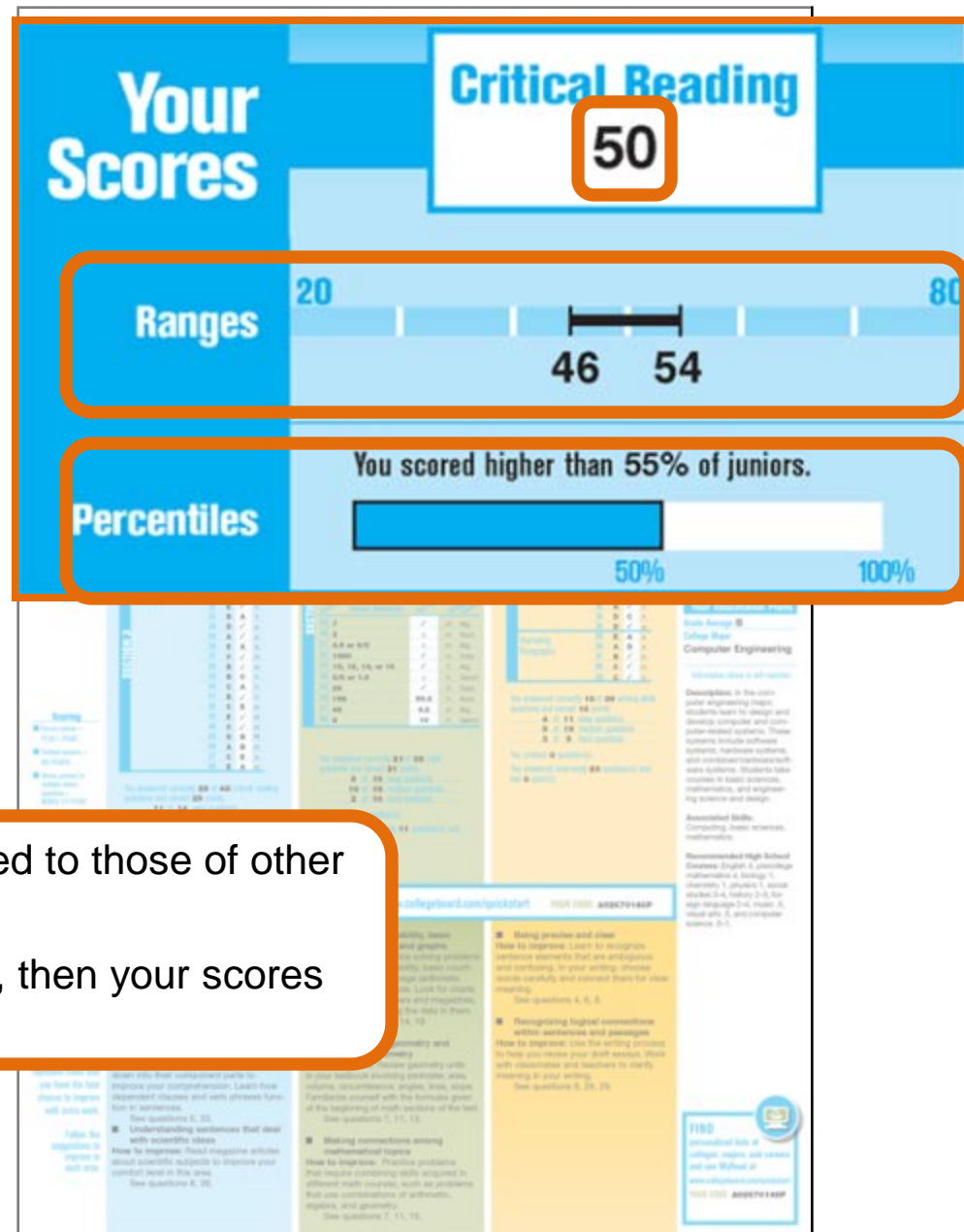
3 Test Sections

Critical Reading

Mathematics

Writing Skills

Your Scores



If you are a junior, your scores are compared to those of other juniors.

If you are a sophomore or younger student, then your scores are compared to those of sophomores.

Review Your Answers

Review Your Answers

Ask for your test book back so you can see the questions.

Key

- ✓ Correct
- Omitted
- u Unscorable
- e Easy

SECTION 1

Sentence Completions

Passage-Based Reading

Passage-Based Reading

Question	Correct	Year	Answer	Difficulty
1	A	✓		
2	B	✓	e	
3	A	C	m	
4	C	A	h	
5	B	E	h	
6	D	✓	e	
7	B	✓	m	
8	D	○	e	
9	B	✓	m	
10	E	B	h	
11	D	✓	h	
12	C	✓	m	
13	A	✓	m	
14	B	A	m	
15	A	✓	e	
16	C	✓	m	
17	A	✓	e	
18	E	✓	m	
19	B	✓	m	
20	B	E	m	
21	E	✓	m	
22	D	B	h	
23	E	✓	m	
24	A	✓	m	
25	D	✓	m	
26	D	✓	e	
27	D	✓	e	
28	A	✓	e	
29	C	✓	e	
30	D	E	m	
31	A	B	h	

You will get your original test book back with your PSAT/NMSQT results, so that you can review the test questions.

You may also review each test question by logging in to My College QuickStart.

Review Your Answers: Mathematics

Question	Correct Answer	Your Answer	Difficulty	Content
1	D	✓ e		Alg
2	E	✓ e		Data
3	E	✓ e		Geom
4	C	✓ e		Alg
5	B	✓ e		Geom
6	B	✓ e		Alg
7	C	o e		Num
8	A	✓ m		Geom
9	B	✓ m		Data
10	D	✓ m		Alg
11	B	o m		Geom
12	D	✓ m		Alg
13	B	D m		Alg
14	A	D h		Data
15	E	D m		Alg
16	E	✓ m		Num
17	A	C h		Num
18	E	o h		Geom
		A h		Alg
		C h		Geom
		✓ e		Num
		✓ e		Alg
		✓ m		Geom
		✓ m		Num
		✓ m		Geom
26	D	✓ e		Alg
27	C	A m		Alg
28	A	B m		Num

Alg = Algebra & Functions
 Data = Data Analysis, Statistics & Probability
 Geom = Geometry & Measurement
 Num = Number & Operations

Review Your Answers: Student-Produced Responses

PSAT/NMSQT

Student Scores Summary:

Section	Score
Critical Reading	50
Mathematics	52
Writing Skills	44

Percentile: 67

SECTION 4 Student-Produced Responses

Question	Correct Answer(s)	Your Answer	Difficulty	Content
29	7	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	m	Alg
30	3	<input type="radio"/>	m	Num
31	4.5 or 9/2	<input type="radio"/>	m	Alg
32	1000	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	m	Data
33	10, 12, 14, or 16	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	h	Alg
34	8/5 or 1.6	<input type="radio"/>	h	Geom
35	29	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	h	Data
36	108	50.9	h	Num
37	42	4.2	m	Alg
38	1	10	h	Geom

The written answers are not scored.
Only answers gridded in the ovals are scored.

Answer Summary & Scoring

Summary of student scores for a PSAT/NMSQT test. The student is identified as STUDENT, IMA 0. The scores are: Critical Reading: 50, Mathematics: 52, and Writing Skills: 44. The total score is 146. The test was taken in January 2008 at School Code 123456. The score ranges for each section are: Critical Reading (40-54), Mathematics (40-50), and Writing Skills (40-48).

Section	Score	Range
Critical Reading	50	40 - 54
Mathematics	52	40 - 50
Writing Skills	44	40 - 48
Total Score	146	

Correct answer = plus 1 point

Omitted answer = no points

Wrong answer on multiple-choice question = minus ¼ point

Wrong answer on student-produced response question = No points lost

You answered correctly **29** of **48** critical reading questions and earned **29** points.

11 of **14** easy questions

15 of **23** medium questions

3 of **11** hard questions

You omitted **1** question(s).

You answered incorrectly **18** question(s) and lost **5** point(s).

Detailed breakdown of scores and study tips for each section. The Critical Reading section shows 29 correct answers (29 points), 11 of 14 easy questions, 15 of 23 medium questions, and 3 of 11 hard questions. The Mathematics section shows 1 omitted question and 18 incorrect answers (5 points lost). The Writing Skills section shows 1 omitted question and 17 incorrect answers (5 points lost).

Critical Reading
You answered correctly 29 of 48 critical reading questions and earned 29 points.
11 of 14 easy questions
15 of 23 medium questions
3 of 11 hard questions

Mathematics
You omitted 1 question(s).
You answered incorrectly 18 question(s) and lost 5 point(s).

Writing Skills
You omitted 1 question(s).
You answered incorrectly 17 question(s) and lost 5 point(s).

Study Tips:
- **Understanding science and social studies:** Read to improve. Use your original notes to recommend books that are a bit more challenging than those you're used to reading. Practice breaking the sentences down into their component parts to improve your comprehension. Learn how dependent clauses and verb phrases function in sentences. See questions 5, 23.
- **Understanding sentences that deal with scientific ideas:** Read to improve. Read magazine articles about scientific subjects to improve your comfort level in this area. See questions 8, 30.
- **Understanding geometry and coordinate geometry:** Read to improve. Review geometry rules in your textbook, including perimeter, area, volume, circumference, angles, lines, slope. Familiarize yourself with the formula given at the beginning of each section of the test. See questions 7, 11, 16.
- **Making connections among mathematical topics:** Read to improve. Practice problems that require combining skills acquired in different math courses, such as problems that use combinations of arithmetic, algebra, and geometry. See questions 7, 11, 16.
- **Writing sentences and passages:** Read to improve. Use the writing process to help you revise your draft essays. Work with classmates and teachers to clarify meaning in your writing. See questions 8, 25, 28.

PSAT/NMSQT
National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMQT) Program
Section Index
146

Improve Your Skills

Section	Score
Critical Reading	50
Mathematics	52
Writing Skills	44

Additional information from the screenshot: Student Name: STUDENT, IMA ID, Year: 2008, Grade: 11, School Code: 123456, Student Code: 00, ADD20148P, National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) Programs, Selection Index: 146.

The skills listed are based on your individual performance.

Follow the suggestions noted in “how to improve” and work with your teachers.

Review skills using questions listed.

Improve Your Skills

The skills listed are based on *your individual performance* on the test and represent those that you have the best chance to improve with extra work.

Follow the suggestions to improve in each area.

- **Determining an author's purpose or perspective**
How to improve: Authors write for a variety of purposes, such as to inform, to explain, or to convince. When you read, try to determine why the author wrote what he or she wrote.
See questions 20, 42, 48.
- **Understanding complex sentences**
How to improve: Ask your English teacher to recommend books that are a bit more challenging than those you're used to reading. Practice breaking the sentences down into their component parts to improve your comprehension. Learn how dependent clauses and verb phrases function in sentences.
See questions 5, 33.
- **Understanding sentences that deal with scientific ideas**
How to improve: Read magazine articles about scientific subjects to improve your comfort level in this area.
See questions 8, 36.

National Merit Scholarship Corporation Information

The Selection Index is the sum of your critical reading, mathematics and writing skills scores.

If it has an asterisk, you do not meet all of the eligibility requirements for the competition.

The Percentile compares your performance to that of other college-bound juniors.

The Entry Requirements section displays information you provided on your answer sheet.

Student Information: Name: STUDENT, IMA B | Year: 2008 | Grade: 11 | School Code: 123456 | Student Code: 90 | Address: 1234567890

Your Scores: Critical Reading: 50 | Mathematics: 52 | Writing Skills: 44

Selection Index: 146

Percentile: 47 (compares your performance with college-bound juniors)

Entry Requirements: Below is information you provided on your answer sheet.

- High school student: **Yes**
- Year to complete high school and enroll full time in college: **2011**
- Years to be spent in grades 9-12: **4**
- U.S. citizenship: **Yes**

Additional Information: you among the 55,000 high scorers who qualify for program recognition, you will be notified next September.

Your Educational Plans

Section	Score
Critical Reading	50
Mathematics	52

Based on the **college major** you provided on your answer sheet, this section will give you:

- Description of that major
- Skills associated with that major
- Recommended high school courses for that major

Your Educational Plans

Grade Average **B**

College Major

Computer Engineering

Information above is self-reported.

Description: In the computer engineering major, students learn to design and develop computer and computer-related systems. These systems include software systems, hardware systems, and combined hardware/software systems. Students take courses in basic sciences, mathematics, and engineering science and design.

Associated Skills:

Computing, basic sciences, mathematics.

Recommended High School Courses: English 4, precollege mathematics 4, biology 1, chemistry 1, physics 1, social studies 3–4, history 2–3, foreign language 2–4, music .5, visual arts .5, and computer science .5–1.

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Writing	52
Math	52

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