

2018 ACT/SAT CONCORDANCE TABLES



Table A1: SAT Total to ACT Composite.

SAT	ACT	SAT	ACT	SAT	ACT
1600	36	1250	26	910	16
*1590	36	*1240	26	900	16
1580	36	1230	26	*890	16
1570	36	1220	25	880	16
1560	35	*1210	25	870	15
1550	35	1200	25	860	15
*1540	35	1190	24	*850	15
1530	35	*1180	24	840	15
1520	34	1170	24	830	15
1510	34	1160	24	820	14
*1500	34	1150	23	810	14
1490	34	*1140	23	*800	14
1480	33	1130	23	790	14
1470	33	1120	22	780	14
*1460	33	*1110	22	770	13
1450	33	1100	22	*760	13
1440	32	1090	21	750	13
*1430	32	*1080	21	740	13
1420	32	1070	21	730	13
1410	31	1060	21	720	12
*1400	31	1050	20	*710	12
1390	31	*1040	20	700	12
1380	30	1030	20	690	12
*1370	30	1020	19	680	11
1360	30	*1010	19	*670	11
1350	29	1000	19	660	11
*1340	29	990	19	650	11
1330	29	980	18	640	10
1320	28	*970	18	*630	10
*1310	28	960	18	620	10
1300	28	950	17	610	9
1290	27	940	17	600	9
*1280	27	*930	17	*590	9
1270	27	920	17		
1260	27				

Table A2: ACT Composite to SAT Total.

ACT	SAT	SAT Range
36	1590	1570-1600
35	1540	1530-1560
34	1500	1490-1520
33	1460	1450-1480
32	1430	1420-1440
31	1400	1390-1410
30	1370	1360-1380
29	1340	1330-1350
28	1310	1300-1320
27	1280	1260-1290
26	1240	1230-1250
25	1210	1200-1220
24	1180	1160-1190
23	1140	1130-1150
22	1110	1100-1120
21	1080	1060-1090
20	1040	1030-1050
19	1010	990-1020
18	970	960-980
17	930	920-950
16	890	880-910
15	850	830-870
14	800	780-820
13	760	730-770
12	710	690-720
11	670	650-680
10	630	620-640
9	590	590-610

*Use this SAT score when a single score point comparison is needed.

Note: Concordance tables for the ACT Composite were derived from concordances of the ACT sum score.



Table B1: SAT Math to ACT Math.

SAT	ACT	SAT	ACT
800	36	*500	18
790	35	490	18
*780	35	480	17
770	35	*470	17
760	34	460	17
750	33	450	16
*740	33	440	16
730	32	*430	16
*720	32	420	16
710	31	410	15
*700	30	*400	15
690	30	390	15
680	29	380	15
670	28	370	14
*660	28	*360	14
650	27	350	14
*640	27	340	13
630	27	*330	13
620	26	320	13
*610	26	*310	12
600	25	300	12
*590	25	290	11
*580	24	*280	11
570	24	270	10
*560	23	*260	10
550	23		
540	22		
530	21		
520	20		
510	19		

Table B2 : ACT Math to SAT Math.

ACT	SAT
36	800
35	780
34	760
33	740
32	720
31	710
30	700
29	680
28	660
27	640
26	610
25	590
24	580
23	560
22	540
21	530
20	520
19	510
18	500
17	470
16	430
15	400
14	360
13	330
12	310
11	280
10	260

*Use this SAT score when a single score point comparison is needed.

Table C1: SAT ERW to ACT English+Reading.

SAT	ACT	SAT	ACT
800	72	500	37
*790	72	490	35
780	71	480	34
*770	71	470	33
760	70	460	32
*750	70	450	31
740	69	440	30
730	68	430	29
720	67	420	28
710	66	410	27
700	64	400	26
690	63	390	25
680	61	380	24
670	60	370	23
660	58	360	22
650	57	350	21
640	55	340	20
630	54	330	19
620	52	320	18
610	51	310	17
600	49	300	16
590	48	290	15
580	46	280	14
570	45		
560	44		
550	43		
540	42		
530	40		
520	39		
510	38		

Note: ERW = Evidence-Based Reading and Writing.

Note: ACT English + Reading scores range from 2 to 72

*Use this SAT score when a single score point comparison is needed.

Table C2 : ACT English+Reading to SAT ERW.

ACT	SAT	ACT	SAT
72	790	*42	540
71	770	41	540
70	750	40	520
69	740	39	520
68	730	38	510
67	720	*37	500
66	710	36	500
65	700	35	490
*64	700	34	480
63	690	33	470
62	680	32	460
*61	680	31	450
60	670	30	440
59	660	29	430
*58	660	28	420
57	650	27	410
56	640	26	400
*55	640	25	390
*54	630	24	380
53	630	23	370
52	620	22	360
*51	610	21	350
50	610	20	340
49	600	19	330
48	590	18	320
47	580	17	310
*46	580	16	300
45	570	15	290
44	560	14	280
43	550		

Note: ERW = Evidence-Based Reading and Writing.

Note: ACT English + Reading scores range from 2 to 72

*Use this ACT score when a single score point comparison is needed.

Comparing the ACT[®] with the SAT[®]

ACT

- English
 - Math
 - Reading
 - Science
 - Optional Writing Test
- Composite score: 1-36
 - Section scores for English, Math, Reading and Science: 1-36 each
 - Writing Test: 2-12
- 2 hours, 55 minutes (without Writing Test)
 - 3 hours, 35 minutes (with Writing Test)
- None
- Two sections (English, Reading)
 - Passage-based grammar—including punctuation
 - Four reading passages in 35 minutes that are drawn from Fiction, Social Sciences, Humanities and Natural Sciences
- One 60-minute section
 - Calculator allowed
 - Arithmetic
 - Algebra I & II
 - Geometry
 - Trigonometry
- The Writing Test is optional (40 minutes, timed)
 - Students will need to write about perspectives on an issue relevant to high school students and evaluate and analyze multiple perspectives on that issue; they will be scored on ideas and analysis, development and support, organization, and language use



SECTIONS



SCORING



LENGTH



PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS



READING AND WRITING



MATH



ESSAY

SAT

- Evidence-based Reading and Writing
 - Reading
 - Writing and Language
 - Math
 - Optional Essay
- Total score: 400-1600
 - Section scores for Math and Evidence-based Reading and Writing: 200-800
 - Essay: 2-8
- 3 hours (without essay)
 - 3 hours, 50 minutes (with essay)
- None
- Two sections (Reading Test, Writing and Language Test)
 - No more sentence completions; focus on multiple-meaning words
 - Five reading passages in 65 minutes that are drawn from significant historical or scientific documents—may include informational graphics, such as charts
 - Passage-based grammar—including punctuation
- Two sections totaling 80 minutes
 - Calculators are only allowed on one of the two sections
 - Arithmetic
 - Algebra I & II
 - Geometry
 - Trigonometry
- The essay is optional (50 minutes, timed)
 - Students will be provided with a substantial passage (600-700 words) and asked to analyze how the author built his or her argument; students will need to understand the techniques the author used to write persuasively

SAY YES TO THE RIGHT TEST

ACT or SAT—which test is right for you? Here’s what you need to know.



What’s on the test?

ACT: English, Math, Reading, Science and an optional Writing Test

SAT: Evidence-based Reading and Writing, Math, and an optional essay



Do wrong answers cost points?

ACT: No

SAT: No



How is it scored?

ACT: Composite score of 1-36 (1-36 in each test)

SAT: Total score of 400-1600 (200-800 in each section)



Which test is better?

Neither test is harder than the other, so the best test is the one you’re most comfortable with. **Try a Free Practice Test** for each—your results will help you figure out what’s right for you.



How long is it?

ACT: 2 hours, 55 minutes (without Writing Test)

3 hours, 35 minutes (with Writing Test)

SAT: 3 hours (without essay)

3 hours, 50 minutes (with essay)



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