

# ACT Breakdown & Quick Tips

## What is the ACT?

- The ACT is a national college admissions examination that consists of subject area tests in: English, Math, Reading, Science, and Writing.
- The ACT includes 215 multiple-choice questions, plus the writing exam. It takes approximately 3 hours and 40 minutes to complete.
- PXU juniors take the ACT Exam for free each year. Waivers are available for students who need to retake the exam.

## Test Format & Structure

The order in which the exam is given each year, which does not change, and how each test is structured.

**English Exam - 75 Questions in 45 minutes**  
(9 minute passage)

**Math Exam - 60 Questions in 60 minutes**

**Reading Exam - 40 Questions in 35 minutes**  
(8:45 minute passage)

**Science Exam - 40 Questions in 35 minutes**

**Writing Exam - One prompt in 40 minutes**

## Online ACT Test Prep & Tutoring

### PXU Test Prep Databases

- [pxu.org/library/testprep](http://pxu.org/library/testprep)
- Databases: EBSCO LearningExpress & Gale Peterson's

### Online ACT Tutoring Using NetTutor

- Website/login - [bit.ly/PXUClever](http://bit.ly/PXUClever)
- Click on NetTutor – You may need to scroll down.
- Click "I Agree" after reading the terms and conditions.
- Click on the subject area (ACT Test Prep).

## Where can I find ACT/SAT info? Or sign up to take exams?

### [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) (ACT Info)

- ACT Question of the day - practice questions on the website
- Fee waivers are available in counseling to retake the test.
- Multiple-choice scores are normally available within two weeks after each national test date, but it can sometimes take up to eight weeks. Writing scores are normally available about two weeks after the multiple-choice scores.

### [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) (SAT Info)

- Fee waivers are available in counseling to retake the test.
- Most SAT scores are released about two weeks after the test day. June scores take longer, up to six weeks.



# strategies



**Get a good night's sleep!**

**Eat a HEALTHY breakfast!**



## BE ON TIME!

ANSWER WHAT YOU KNOW **FIRST**



THEN WORK ON QUESTIONS THAT TAKE MORE TIME



**LAST FIVE MINUTES...**

pick a letter and fill in remaining answers with it.

**PRACTICE.  
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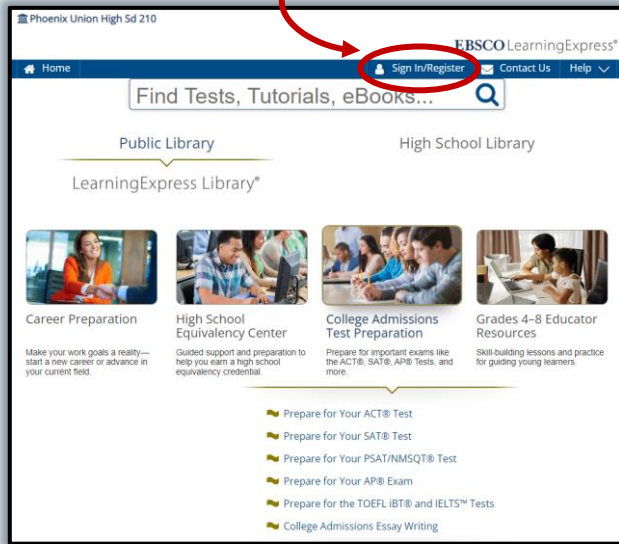
# LearningExpress Test Prep at a Glance

**Master the ACT!**

Three testing modes to fit your test prep needs!

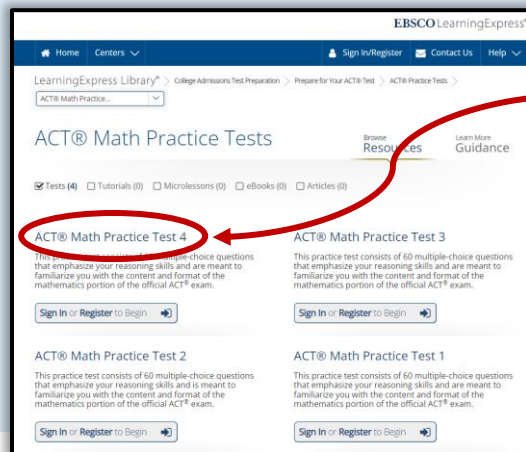


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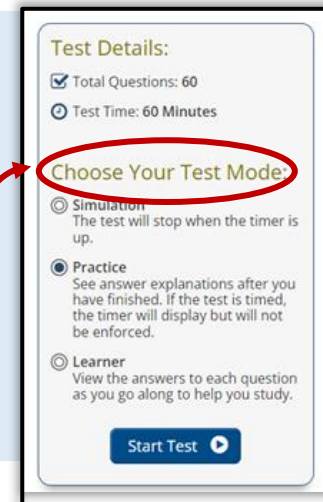
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- Practice Tests – 4 full exams for each subject area.
- Offers a side-by-side testing format for English, Reading, and Science. (Passages and questions are side-by-side.)
- Three testing experiences available: Simulation, Practice, and Learner.
- Preparation tutorials include detailed instruction with questions to check your understanding of concepts (mini-lessons).
- Guided Prep Program - diagnostic test to identify areas for improvement.
- Flash cards and eBook study guide are available.
- Extensive college and scholarship search



Four practice tests per subject area!

Three modes of practicing:  
Simulation, Practice, and Learner!



# Peterson's Test Prep at a Glance

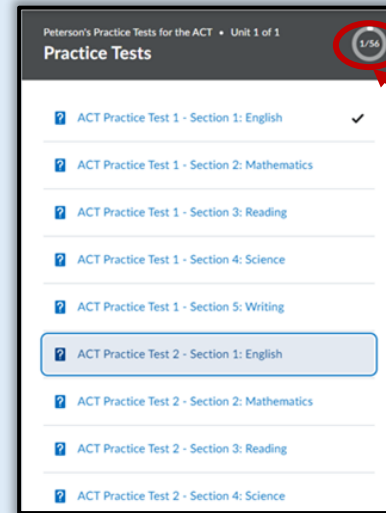
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*More practice tests to improve your results!*

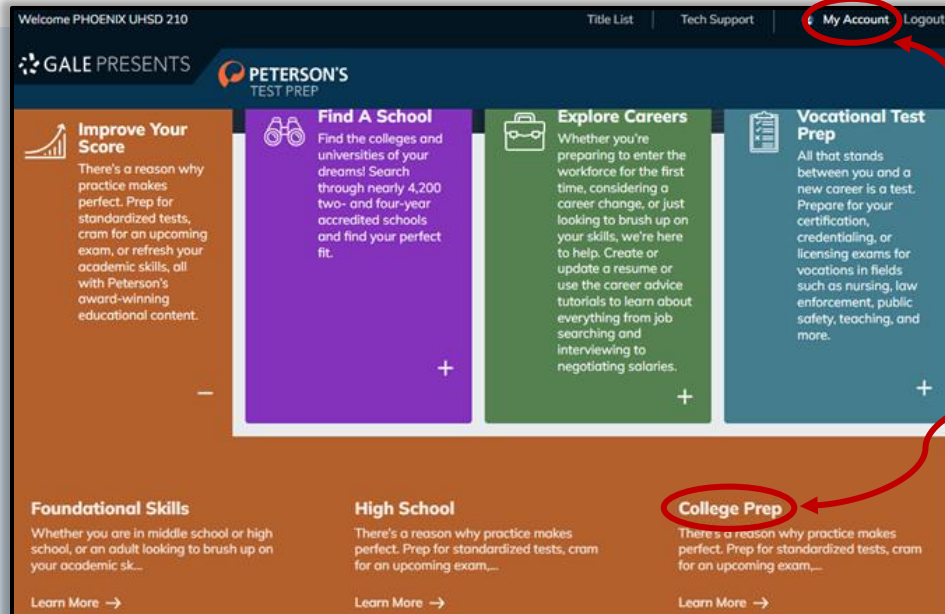


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- ❑ Practice Tests – 11 (7 practice tests plus 4 tests from the 2019 study guide)
- ❑ Practice tests may be paused.
- ❑ Creating accounts is quick.
- ❑ Extensive college and scholarship search.



11 FULL practice exams available. Retake tests as many times as you want!



Create your account here!

Select College Prep for a list of all the test prep practice tests (ACT, ASVAB, SAT & more!)

Flexibility with your testing. Start and pause your test as much as you need!

