

ACT – the American College Test

General Information

The ACT is an alternative test to the SAT. It is more difficult to find testing centers for this test outside the United States. Some universities will only accept SAT scores, but a number (especially in the West and Midwest) will accept either SAT or ACT scores. The ACT is given five times a year.

Description of the Test

The ACT is a two-hour and fifty-five-minute test consisting of four sections:

Subject	No. of Questions	Time Given
English	75 questions	45 minutes
Math	60 questions	60 minutes
Reading	40 questions	35 minutes
Science	40 questions	35 minutes

Scoring

Students receive separate scores for each subject, as well as a composite score which is the average of the four scores. Each score is on a scale from 1 to 36, with 36 being the best possible score. Currently, the average composite score is approximately 20.5.

Test Fee and Registration

The registration fee is \$23, plus \$15 for international students.

To obtain a registration packet in the United States, call 319-337-1270 between 8 am – 8 pm (central time) Mon-Fri.

If you are outside the United States, use the online comment form on www.act.org or call 319-337-1448.

Test Centers

Myanmar

International School Yangon
20 Shwe Taungyar, Bahan Township
Yangon

To register, contact:

Kelly Friedman, Counselor

Tel: (1) 525-020

Fax: (1) 512-793

India

American Embassy School

Chandragupta Marg Chanakyapuri

New Delhi, 110-021

To register contact:

Tony Roberts, High School Counselor

Tel: 11-687-3320

Fax: 11-611-7140

Singapore

Singapore American School

40 Woodlands St 41

Singapore, 738547

Singapore

To register, contact:

Tracy Yeo Lian Kee, Counseling Secretary

Tel: (65)-363-6457

Fax: (65)-360-6501

Thailand

Intl School of Bangkok

39/7 Soi Nichida Thani Samakee Road

Nonthaburi, 11120

To register, contact:

Brie Goolbis, High School Counselor

Tel: 66 2 584 6493

Fax: 66 2 583 5436

Grace International School

Po Box 382

Chiang Mai, 50000

Thailand

To register, contact:
Pamela Davis, Testing Supervisor
Phone: 66-53-442-189
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How to Prepare

The best way to prepare for the exam is to find out information about the exam such as:

- Ask the test center if they have any preparation materials, like books or CDs you can borrow.
- Find out what the sections on the exam are?
- What is the style of the exam: essay, multiple choice, short answer, true/false, etc?
- How long is the exam?
- Take a preparation course before the exam
- Take practice exams
- Look for information on their website:

- ① [ACT Online Prep](#)

The ACT test prep program created by ACT test developers is now online!

- ① [The Real ACT Prep Guide](#)

The official prep book from the makers of the ACT. The only guide to include three real tests—each with an optional Writing Test.

- ① [Preparing for the ACT](#) (PDF; 80 pages, 1,075KB)—FREE

A booklet available through most high schools and colleges—includes test information, a complete practice test with scoring key, and a writing prompt with sample essays.

- ① [Practice test questions](#)—FREE

- ① [Test tips](#)—FREE

- ① [Test descriptions](#)—FREE

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