

TEST READY, SET, GO!!!

ACT POWER PREP READING SESSION

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SESSIONS

ACT POWER PREP

- Diagnostic Test
- ACT Overview / Test Taking Anxiety
- Beginning Practice Test
- **Reading**
- Science
- Mathematics
- English
- Final Practice Test
- Test Day To-Do's

READING IS FREEDOM!

**Once you learn to read, you
will be forever free.**

FREDERICK DOUGLASS

STEAM

P o w e r E D

Get T.R.A.I.N.E.D. PRESENTED BY **JASMIN PORTER**



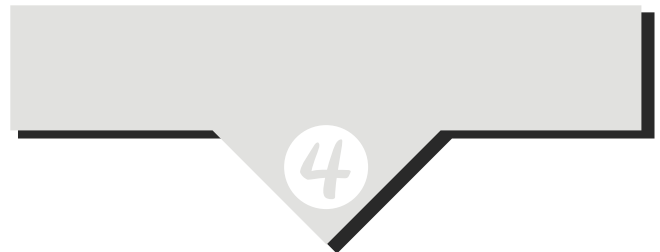
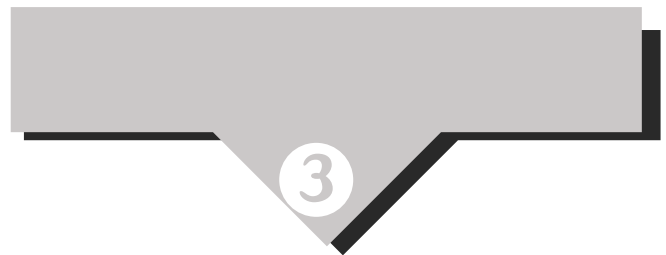
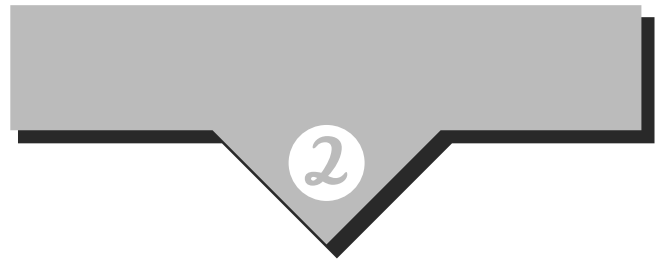
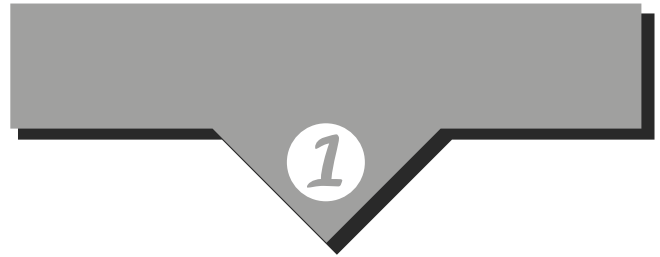
TEST FORMAT

 Reading Passages

 questions per passage

Approx.  words each

Name the four types of passages in the correct order...



READING OVERVIEW

READING PASSAGES

Prose Fiction

POWER PREP NOTES:

WHAT IS IT?

Excerpts from _____ or _____

Most passages are contemporary, emphasize diversity, and often center on family relationships.

PREPARE FOR...

- Setting, atmosphere, and the relationships between characters are more important than _____
- Questions likely to involve identifying the _____ vs. the _____

POWER PREP NOTES:

Social Science

WHAT IS IT?

anthropology, archaeology, biography, business, economics, education, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology

PREPARE FOR...

- Organization flows logically with clear topic sentences and well-chosen transitions to develop the _____
- Author may have a _____ on the subject or may simply deliver informative facts in a neutral tone

READING PASSAGES

Humanities

WHAT IS IT?

Nonfiction passages—usually memoirs or personal essays

architecture, art, dance, ethics, film, language, literary criticism, music, philosophy, radio, television, and theater

PREPARE FOR...

- Narrative may use a more _____ development instead of a _____ one.
- Tone will be more _____ and perhaps more _____.

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Natural Science

WHAT IS IT?

anatomy, astronomy, biology, botany, chemistry, ecology, geology, medicine, meteorology, microbiology, natural history, physiology, physics, technology, and zoology

PREPARE FOR...

- Lots of details and sometimes very _____ descriptions
- Linear organization with clear topic sentences and transitions to develop the main idea
- Author may or may not have an _____ on the topic
- Questions usually track the text pretty closely and require you to make few _____.

GLOBAL QUESTIONS

Ask about the passage as a whole

INFERENCE & WRITER'S VIEW

Ask you to understand something that isn't directly stated in the passage

DETAIL QUESTIONS

Ask about specific parts of the passage

FUNCTION

Ask about the purpose of a specific part of the passage

VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT

Ask about a word as it is used in the passage

POWER PREP NOTES:

DISTORTION

- twists details from the passage so they are no longer correct

MISUSED DETAIL

- a true statement from the passage, but one that doesn't answer the question

OUT OF SCOPE

- includes information not included in the passage

EXTREME

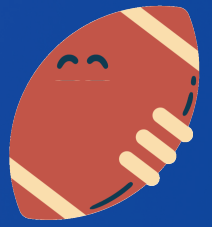
- too extreme to reflect the author's purpose (often includes words like always, never, best, worst, etc.)

OPPOSITE

- contradicts the information in the passage

POWER PREP NOTES:

Tackle the Test



CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

Always choose your own order, working first the passages that are easiest for you and leaving for last the most difficult.

GET PLENTY OF READING PRACTICE

The best way to determine which categories you tend to ace is through repeated practice tests. Do you consistently do the best on social science? What types of questions do you find easy or difficult?

READ STRATEGICALLY

Put line references in the margins.
Find support for responses to questions.

Examine questions and determine key words & phrases to look for while reading.

Try to eliminate illogical choices.

KEEP MOVING

If you read something you don't understand, do not reread it. Transition words are like road and show you the route to the main idea.

If the question asks you about an unfamiliar word, come up with a word that fits.

POWER PREP NOTES:



ENGLISH

- 75 multiple-choice questions
- 45 minutes
- Tests grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, and rhetorical skills

READING

- 40 multiple-choice questions
- 35 minutes
- Four passages (prose fiction, social studies, humanities, and natural sciences)
 - 10 questions per passage

MATH

- 60 multiple-choice questions
- 60 minutes
 - Algebra I and II, Geometry, and some Trigonometry

SCIENCE

- 40 multiple-choice questions
- 35 minutes
- Questions on science-based passages -
 - Presented with graphs, charts, tables and research summaries

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