

TEST READY, SET, GO!!!

ACT POWER PREP SET UP FOR SUCCESS

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SESSIONS

ACT POWER PREP

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P o w e r T e a m
G e t T . R . A . I . N . E D

WORRY IS A LIAR!!!

**Trust yourself... You know
more than you think you do.**

DR. BENJAMIN SPOCK

STEAM

P o w e r e d

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PACE YOURSELF!

- Avoid spending too much time on one passage or going back and forth to answer to a specific problem.
 - Go on to other questions and come back if there is time.

READ EACH QUESTION CAREFULLY!

- Questions in the **English, Reading, and Science** test ask for the best answer SO you have to read them all and choose!
- The Math test asks for an accurate answer so it's best to work out the problem and find the correct response.
- Some questions require several steps, while others can be answered more quickly... **KNOW THE DIFFERENCE!**

EASY QUESTIONS FIRST!

- After you've read each of the choices or quickly worked out the problem and you are able to choose the correct response quickly move on.
- If you recognize quickly that the question requires several steps or lots of thought then move on and come back at the end.
 - There are exceptions to this rule! We will talk about them when we get to the Reading and ELA sessions.

POWER PREP NOTES:



USE LOGIC! IT WORKS!

- Use this strategy when you return to more difficult questions to help you to maximize your remaining time:
 - Compare answer choices.
 - Notice how they differ.
 - Eliminate incorrect choices.
 - Make an educated guess.

ANSWER EVERY QUESTION!

- Your score is based on the number of questions you answer correctly!
 - There is no penalty for guessing.
 - If you can't make an educated informed guess, **MAKE A GUESS ANYWAY!**

REVIEW YOUR WORK!

- If you are left with ANY TIME AT ALL, use it to review your work. You'd be surprised how many simple errors you can catch with a quick glance!

ORGANIZE YOUR WORK!

- If you are using scratch paper to work out your problems, chances are it's blank and easy to scribble... **DON'T!**
 - Number your work on your scratch paper.
 - Be as clear as you can with your processes, this will help you to make and/or catch corrections.

POWER PREP NOTES:



The ACT's Angle

TIME PRESSURED

There is no assessment of vocabulary but there is A LOT of vocabulary to consume! Be a speed reader and you will find yourself doing much better!

INTENSE SUSTAINED READING

Longer, complex texts

Longer more in-depth word problems

Complex science scenarios

DETAIL ORIENTED

- There are no 'tricks'! The questions are straight forward!
 - Know the content!
 - Attend to the details!

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 ?s 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 -
 - graphs, charts, tables and research summaries

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POWER PREP NOTES:



WRITE YOUR OWN STORY

- Read in the order that makes the most sense for you! Take the easy test first!

QUESTIONS FIRST

- How many times have we heard this? It's still relevant!

KEEP MOVING

- Don't panic if you run across an unfamiliar word. Chances are, you won't need it to get the question correct!
- Don't reread if you think you've missed something... only go back if you need to for a question!

TOPICS

BIOLOGY

CHEMISTRY

PHYSICS

EARTH/SPACE SCIENCES

astronomy
geology
meteorology

THREE TYPES OF SCIENCE PASSAGES

CHARTS & GRAPHS

EXPERIMENTS

OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS

POWER PREP NOTES:



FORMULAS & CALCULATORS

- You will have to bring both with you...
 - The ACT does not give you a formula sheet! Have the important ones in mind.
 - BYOC – Bring your own CALCULATOR!

THE FOUR C'S!

- Good writing should be in **complete** sentences.
- Everything should be **consistent**.
- The meaning should be **clear**.
- The best answer, free of any errors, will be the most **concise**.

KNOW THE GRAMMAR RULES

- There are only 19 you should be concerned about for the test... they don't change... so there's that!

DON'T FIX IT!!!

- NO CHANGE is a reasonable response! Use it!
- Check your against what you know about the grammar rules!

POWER PREP NOTES:



Our Challenge

WHAT WE CAN DO TO IMPROVE?

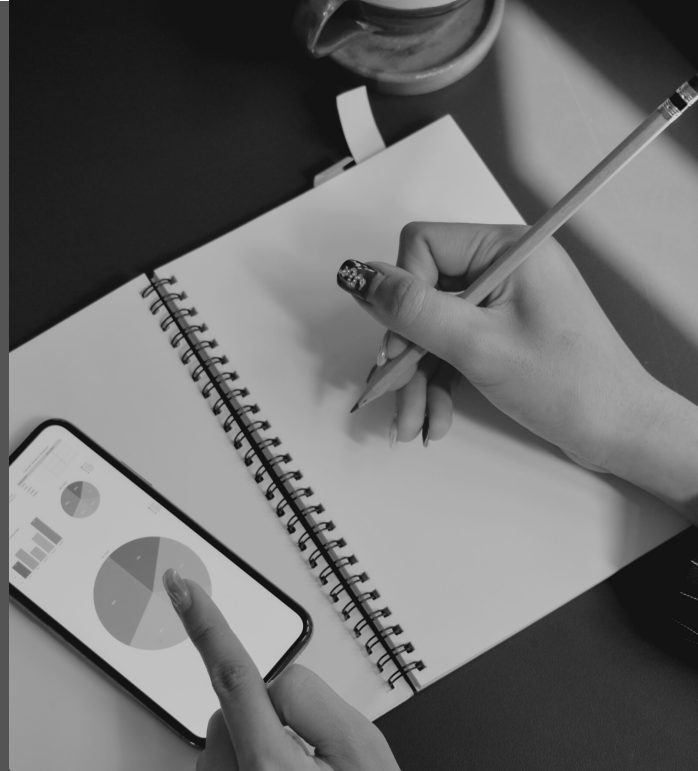
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Goal-Setting

WHAT WE CAN DO TO IMPROVE?

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Reading



MY CURRENT SCORE:

MY TARGET SCORE:

FOCUS POINTS:

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POWER PREP NOTES:



Goal-Setting

WHAT WE CAN DO TO IMPROVE?

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English



MY CURRENT SCORE:

MY TARGET SCORE:

FOCUS POINTS:

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POWER PREP NOTES:



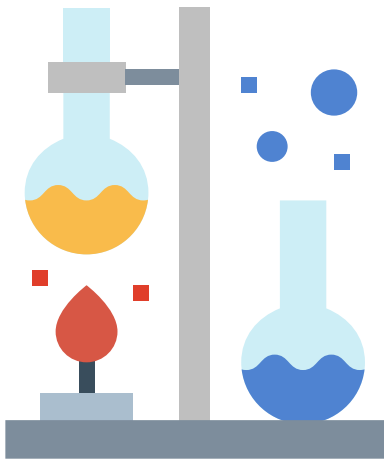
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Science



MY CURRENT SCORE:

MY TARGET SCORE:

FOCUS POINTS:

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POWER PREP NOTES:



Goal-Setting

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Math



MY CURRENT SCORE:

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FOCUS POINTS:

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POWER PREP NOTES:



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