

PSAT 8/9

Student Answer Sheet Instructions

This guide will help you fill out your PSAT™ 8/9 answer sheet. Be sure to record your answers to the questions on the answer sheet. Answers that are marked in this booklet will not be counted.

If your school has placed a personalized label on your answer sheet, some of your information may have already been provided. You may not need to answer every question. Your instructor will read aloud and direct you to fill out the appropriate questions.

How Answering These Questions Helps You

Answering Question 14 on your answer sheet helps you to connect with educational access organizations such as the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Young Scholars Program, the Jackie Robinson Foundation, United Negro College Fund, and Boys & Girls Clubs of America. With your permission, the College Board will share your name, zip code, and email address with educational access organizations to provide you with information about educational opportunities, extracurricular activities, outreach programs, and financial aid. These organizations won't receive your actual test scores or phone number.

We strongly recommend that you answer all these questions, because your answers:

- Guide your counselors in helping you plan your future.
- Help the College Board ensure that the PSAT 8/9 is fair and accurate for all students.

Confidentiality

Your middle or high school, school district, and state may receive your responses to some of the questions. Institutions that receive your PSAT 8/9 information are required to keep it confidential and to follow College Board guidelines for using information. See the *PSAT 8/9 Student Guide* for more details.

Demographic and Nontest Questions

Questions 1–8. Answer accurately to make sure your test can be scored. Remember to provide your last name, then your first name followed by your middle initial (if you have one) when answering Question 1. Your teacher or counselor will read the instructions for all the questions to you.

9–12. Home/Mailing Address Your home or mailing address is used to assist the College Board in matching your answer sheet to your College Board record. (If you are homeschooled, you need to provide this information so that we can mail you a copy of your score report.) The College Board may contact you regarding this test, and your address will be added to your record.

Use these street address abbreviations to answer Question 9:

Apartment	APT	Northwest	NW
Avenue	AVE	Parkway	PKY
Boulevard	BLVD	Place	PL
Circle	CIR	Post Office	PO
Court	CT	Road	RD
Drive	DR	Route	RT
East	E	Second	2ND
Expressway	EXPY	South	S
First	1ST	Southeast	SE
Fort	FT	Southwest	SW
Fourth	4TH	Square	SQ
Heights	HTS	Street	ST
Highway	HWY	Terrace	TER
Mount	MT	Third	3RD
North	N	West	W
Northeast	NE		

13. Country Code Leave this field blank unless you live outside the United States or its territories.

14. Educational Opportunities Fill in the appropriate bubble to opt in to or out of educational opportunities. Educational access organizations can inform you of certain opportunities, such as extracurricular activities, outreach programs, and financial aid. Would you like us to supply your name, zip code, and email address for these purposes? Fill in "Yes" if you wish to share your information through the College Board. Otherwise, fill in "No."

Instructions for Questions 15–17 Your instructor will tell you when to begin with Question 15. Use these instructions and options to answer each question.

15. Racial/Ethnic Group Answer both questions about Hispanic origin and about race. For these questions about your identity, Hispanic origins are not races.

- A.** Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? (You may mark all that apply.)
- a.** No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
 - b.** Yes, Cuban
 - c.** Yes, Mexican
 - d.** Yes, Puerto Rican
 - e.** Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
- B.** What is your race? (You may mark all that apply.)
- a.** American Indian or Alaska Native
 - b.** Asian (including Indian subcontinent and Philippines origin)
 - c.** Black or African American (including African and Afro-Caribbean origin)
 - d.** Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
 - e.** White (including Middle Eastern origin)

16. Language Background Answer both questions about your language background.

- A.** What language did you learn to speak first? (Mark only one.)
- a.** English only
 - b.** English and another language
 - c.** Another language
- B.** What language do you know best? (Mark only one.)
- a.** English
 - b.** English and another language
 - c.** Another language

17. Grade Point Average Indicate your cumulative grade point average for all academic subjects in middle or high school. If you don't know your exact grade point average, give your best estimate.

- A.** A+ (97–100)
- B.** A (93–96)
- C.** A– (90–92)
- D.** B+ (87–89)
- E.** B (83–86)
- F.** B– (80–82)
- G.** C+ (77–79)
- H.** C (73–76)
- I.** C– (70–72)
- J.** D+ (67–69)
- K.** D (65–66)
- L.** E or F (below 65)

18. Military Relation Please indicate if you have a parent or guardian in the military. Mark all that apply.

- A.** I have a parent/guardian who is on active duty in the U.S. military.
- B.** I have a parent/guardian who is in the National Guard or the Reserves.
- C.** I have a parent/guardian who was in the U.S. military but is not serving now.
- D.** Neither of my parents/guardians has a current military connection.

