



Reading Your SSAT Score Report – Middle Level SSAT

Secondary School Admission Test Score Report



About You

Current Grade

Name
SSAT SAMPLE

Grade
5

Sex
Female

Date of Birth
01 Jan 2002

SSAT SAMPLE
1234 SECOND STREET
SUBURB, NJ 01234

Highest and lowest scores possible/ section

Middle Level Score Range: 440-710

The Test You Took

Registration ID
300000000

Test Date
01 Aug 2012

Test Level
Middle

Test Center
SSAT Sample School (0000)

Your Scores

	SSAT Scaled Score	Personal Score Range	SSAT Percentile
Verbal	686	668 - 704	98
Math	623	608 - 638	78
Reading	683	665 - 701	98
Total	1,992		97

What Does My Score Mean, and Why Do I Have a Personal Score Range?

Your scores are calculated by adding one point for each correct answer, zero points for each omitted question, and by subtracting one-quarter of one point for each incorrect answer or question with more than one answer marked. Independent schools vary in their approach to using test scores in the application process for admission. You are welcome to contact the schools of interest to you to learn how they use the SSAT. Since no standardized test score can exactly represent a student's ability in a particular area, we provide a personal score range. If a student takes different editions of the SSAT within a short period of time, it's likely that scores may vary but will nearly always fall within the student's personal score range.

What Does My SSAT Percentile Mean?

Your SSAT percentile is a score between 1 and 99. Your score compares your performance on the test to the performances of the other students of the same grade and gender who have taken the SSAT within the past three years. For example, if seventh-grader Sue Smith received a 65 SSAT percentile, she did as well as or better than 65% of the other 7th grade girls who took the SSAT in the past three years. If you are concerned that your percentiles are lower than you have earned on other tests, please remember that SSAT test takers are members of a small and highly competitive group of students who plan to attend some of the world's best independent schools. You should not be discouraged by what seems to be a lower score than you usually attain on standardized testing. Below is the average SSAT score received by a student of your grade and gender.

Average Grade	Verbal	Math	Reading
Grade 5 Female	590	589	592

SSAT Scaled Score: The SSAT is scored on a bell curve - 50% of students score above the mean (or average) and 50% below (575 for the Middle Level). In trying to understand a student's SSAT score, it may be helpful to first consider if it is at, above, or below the mean. SSAT uses equating to adjust for any differences in difficulty between test forms, so scores can be compared directly and used interchangeably. The SSAT scaled score, obtained by applying an equating formula to the raw score, offers the most precise measure of a student's performance and is consistent over time (meaning a scaled score today means the same thing it did last year and 50 years ago).

Your Personal Score Range: If you took several different forms of the SSAT within a short period of time, this is the likely range within which your score would fall.

SSAT Percentile: The SSAT Percentile is a score between 1 and 99. This number compares the student's SSAT performance with that of other students same grade/gender who have taken the SSAT in the previous 3 years. This "norm group" includes only those tests taken on one of the 8 Standard SSAT test dates in the US and Canada and, for students who have taken the SSAT more than once, only their first scores are included.

Average SSAT Scores by students of your grade/gender who took the SSAT on a Standard date in the US and Canada in the last 3 years.

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Test Question Breakdown

		Right	Wrong	Omitted
Verbal Questions testing your knowledge of words (synonyms) and your ability to relate ideas (analogies).	Synonyms	22	6	2
	Analogies	24	3	3
Math Questions testing your knowledge of number properties and relationships, basic computation, elementary concepts of equivalencies, geometry, measurement, and interpretation of charts/graphs.	Number Concepts & Operations	15	7	2
	Algebra, Geometry & Other Math	16	9	1
Reading Questions regarding the main idea and supporting details of a passage or requiring higher order skills, such as deriving the meaning of words from context, extracting the meaning of a passage, or interpreting an author's logic, attitude and tone.	Main Idea	12	5	1
	Higher Order	17	4	1

Estimated National Percentile

Provided for students in grades 5-9 only.

The National Percentile, an estimated rank, compares your score to a hypothetical pool of all students in your grade level across the U.S. The national percentile rank is generally higher than the SSAT percentile rank, as test-takers are compared with a wide group of students from varying backgrounds, not just those who have taken the SSAT.

Estimated National Percentile	Verbal	Math	Reading
	98	98	98

Questions answered incorrectly (minus ¼ point each)

Questions not answered (no points taken off)