

ACCUPLACER

Reading Comprehension Test

20 Questions: One type of question consists of reading passages and answering questions based on them. The passages may also be classified according to the kind of information processing required, including explicit statements related to the main idea, secondary idea, application, and inference. Another type of question is sentence relationships. You'll be given two sentences and answer a question about the relationship between the two. For example, the question may ask if the second sentence supports the first, if it contradicts it, or if it repeats the same information.

Sentence Skills Test

20 Questions: One type of question in Writing Skills is sentence correction and structure. These questions ask you to choose the most appropriate word or phrase to substitute for the underlined part of the sentence. The second types of questions are construction shift questions. These ask you to rewrite a sentence according to the criteria shown while maintaining essentially the same meaning as the original sentence. Both types of questions will deal with the logic of the sentence, whether or not the answer is a complete sentence, or the relationship between coordination and subordination.

Arithmetic Test

17 Questions: There are three types of questions on the arithmetic test. One deals with operations with whole numbers and fractions, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, recognizing equivalent fractions and mixed numbers and estimating. Other types of questions deal with decimal and percent operations including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, percent problems, recognition of decimals, fraction and percent equivalencies, and problems involving estimation.

Elementary Algebra Test

12 Questions: Three types of questions are given. The first type involves operations with integers and rational numbers and includes computation with integers and negative rationals, the use of absolute values and ordering. The second type involves operations with algebraic expressions using evaluation of simple formulas and expressions, and adding and subtracting monomials and polynomials, multiplying and dividing monomials and polynomials, evaluation of positive rational roots and exponents, simplifying algebraic fractions, and factoring. The third type involves solution of equations, inequalities, word problems, solving linear equations and inequalities, solution of quadratic equations by factoring, solving verbal problems presented in algebraic context, including geometric reasoning and graphing, and the translation of written phrases in algebraic expressions.

Scores Guidelines

Maine Community College System

Course cost approximately \$300. = 3 credit course

University College Bath/Brunswick & UMA

Course costs approximately \$545 = 3 credit course

<p>Reading: 68 or higher Ready for College Level Reading</p> <p>67 and below Merrymeeting College Connection English covers both reading comprehension and sentence skills – no cost</p>	<p>Reading: 72 or higher Ready for College AND must have a score of 81 to 111 on Sentence Skills to enter into ENG 101 College Writing</p> <p>51 to 72 REA 008 – Developmental</p> <p>71 and below Merrymeeting College Connection English covers both reading comprehension and sentence skills- no cost</p>
<p>Sentence Skills: 74 or higher Ready for College Level Writing</p> <p>55-73 Basic Writing - Developmental</p> <p>79 and below Merrymeeting College Connection English covers both sentence skills and reading comprehension – no cost</p>	<p>Sentence Skills: 81 or higher Ready for College ENG 101</p> <p>54-80 ENG 005 (Basic Writing) Developmental</p> <p>80 or below Merrymeeting College Connection English Course covers both reading comprehension and sentence skills - no cost</p>
<p>Arithmetic: 60 or higher Ready for College Level Math</p> <p>39-54 Basic Math- Developmental</p> <p>54 and below Merrymeeting College Connection Math - no cost</p>	<p>Arithmetic: 66 or higher Ready for College MAT 100</p> <p>37-65 MAT 009 - Developmental</p> <p>Below 66 Merrymeeting College Connection Math – no cost</p>
<p>Elementary Algebra: 75 or higher Ready for College Level</p> <p>Below 75 Intro. to Algebra - Developmental</p> <p>Below 75 Merrymeeting College Connection Algebra – no cost</p>	<p>Algebra: 55-81 Ready for College MAT 100</p> <p>41-54 must take MAT 021/030-Developmental</p> <p>27-40 must take MAT 020/030 - Developmental</p> <p>Below 27 must take MAT 009 - Developmental</p> <p>54 or below MAE College Connection Algebra – no cost</p>

Tips for taking ACCUPLACER

Relax! ACCUPLACER was designed to help you succeed in college. Your score helps you and your advisor determine which courses are most appropriate for your current level of knowledge and skills. Once you identify your academic strengths and needs, you can get the help you need to improve underdeveloped skills before they can interfere with your learning.

You will be able to concentrate better on the test if you get plenty of rest and eat properly prior to the test. You should also arrive a few minutes early so you can find the testing area, bathrooms, etc., and gather your thoughts before the test begins.

Pay careful attention to directions, and be sure you understand the directions before you begin each test.

You should understand that this is an adaptive test. Questions are chosen for you on the basis of your answers to previous questions. Because the test works this way, you must answer every question; you may change the answer on a particular question before you have moved ahead to another question. If you do not know the answer to a question, try to eliminate one or more of the choices. It is better to guess.

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