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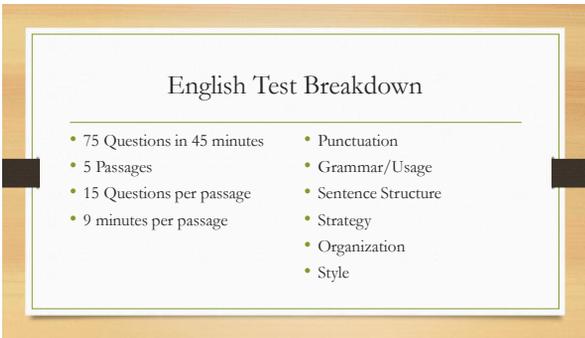
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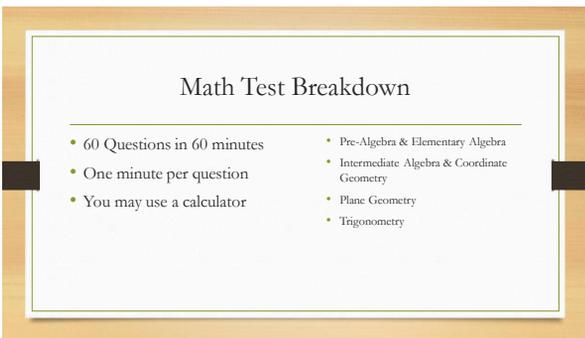
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### Reading Test Breakdown

- 40 Questions in 35 minutes
- 4 passages & 10 questions per passage
- 8 ½ minutes per passage/10 questions
- Passage Categories: Prose/Fiction, Social Science, Humanities, Natural Science
- Key Ideas & Details (KID)
- Craft & Structure (CS)
- Integration of Knowledge and Ideas (IKI)

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### Science Test Breakdown

- 40 Questions in 35 minutes
- Reading materials (graphs, charts, data, articles/non-fiction)
- Interpreting information
- Data Representation – 3 passages
- Research Summaries – 3 passages
- Conflicting Viewpoints – 1 passage

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### ACT & SAT Websites

- [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) (ACT Info)
  - ACT Question of the day- practice questions on website
  - Fee waivers in counseling to retake the test
  - Multiple choice scores are normally available within **two weeks** after each national test date, but it can sometimes take up to **eight weeks**. Writing scores are normally available **about two weeks** after your multiple-choice scores.
- [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) (SAT Info)
  - PSAT offered on campus in October (\$16)
  - Fee waivers in counseling to retake the test
  - Most SAT scores are released about two weeks after test day. June scores take longer, up to six weeks.

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### ACT Cost w/out Fee Waivers

- The ACT (no writing) \$50.50 Includes reports for you, your high school, and up to four colleges (if codes are provided when you register).
- The ACT (with writing) \$67.00 Includes reports for you, your high school, and up to four colleges (if codes are provided when you register).
- Test option change \$16.50 The writing test fee is refundable on written request if you are absent on test day or switch to ACT (no writing) before testing begins.

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### SAT Cost w/out Fee Waivers

- SAT \$47.50
- SAT with Essay \$64.50
- Change fee (\$29) For changing your test center or test date or changing between the SAT and SAT Subject Tests or vice versa. Does not apply to changing between the SAT and the SAT with Essay, but you pay the difference between the tests if adding the essay.
- Late registration fee (\$29) For registering after the regular deadline but before the late registration deadline.

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### ACT Writing Test (Optional)

#### Testing With or Without Writing?

- The ACT test can be taken with or without the writing portion. Find out what the college you want to attend has decided about whether the ACT with Writing is required for admission.
- BFHS- We do not give the writing portion of ACT during our test date. If you're going to a school that requires writing scores, then you will need to sign up to take the ACT exam again and add the writing portion of the test. Writing is 40 minute test.

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### Test Taking Strategies Overview

- Directions- Each student should receive a packet titled "Overview of the ACT"
- Read Test-Taking Strategies with a partner and underline or highlight any important ideas/phrases from each section. Page 3 & 4 of the packet.
- Important- ACT English, Reading & Science want the BEST answer. ACT Math wants the RIGHT answer.
- Discuss whole group-
  - What were the main strategies covered?
  - Did anything strike you as odd or surprise you?
  - Which strategy do you feel you need to work on most in order to be successful?

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### English Test Tips and Strategies

- Directions- Look at page 6 in your packet. Read the **first column** that breaks down each area of the English test.
- What kinds of questions will there be under the Production of Writing category?
- What types of questions/topics will you be tested on under the Knowledge of Language category?
- What kinds of questions will you experience under the Conventions of Standard English category?
- Which of the three categories will have the most questions?

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### English Test Tips and Strategies

- Directions- Read column two titled "Tips for taking the English Test"
- Highlight or underline any important information or phrases that stick out to you.
- Which tip/strategy do you feel will help you to most improve your score?
- What do you think is most challenging for you on the English test?
- Remember ACT wants THE BEST answer. Multiple answers could be right.

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### Math Test Tips and Strategies

- Directions- Read page seven of the packet. Focus on the first & second column that covers the question types. Highlight/underline important information.
- What types of questions will you experience most on the math exam?
- Read the "Tips for Taking the Mathematics Test" section page seven/eight.
- When should you use your calculator on the math test?
- What was the most helpful tip that you read under this section?

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### Reading Test Tips and Strategies

- Directions- Read page eight that breaks down the reading test and question categories. Be sure to highlight/underline any important information.
- Of the four categories (fiction/prose, social science, humanities, and natural science) which of the readings will be most engaging/interesting for you?
- Read tips section under the reading category on page eight.
- How many tips are there for the reading test? Why so little?
- Reading test is difficult because the Lexile level of the passages on the reading are very high/college level. They are testing your ability to read quickly & retain information.
- ALL of the questions on the reading test can be found in the passages!

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### Science Test Tips and Strategies

- Directions: Read page eight of the packet that breaks down the science test question categories. Highlight or underline information that is important/valuable!

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### ACT Websites for Practice Questions

- [www.crackact.com](http://www.crackact.com) (practice tests in all areas and full exams)
- English practice test 1 complete 15 questions – 9 minutes
- At the end of the test you click submit and you can review the explanation for each of the answers.
- ***If time-*** complete *Practice reading test 1 10 questions- 9 minutes*

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