

Practice Tests

Section 21 Test 1

Introduction

The practice test that follows is designed to give you, the student, practice taking the multiple-choice section of the end of course MSATP test for English II. This practice test has 85 multiple-choice questions which are similar to the ones you will see on the actual test.

Directions

Read the directions on the following 2 pages. These directions should be similar to what you will see on the actual MSATP for English II.

Scoring on the Actual MSATP for English II

The actual test that you will take to pass the English II course will also consist of 85 multiple-choice questions. Out of these 85 questions, only 70 questions will be scored. These score-able 70 questions are pre-determined. The other 15 questions embedded throughout the test are field-test questions that will not be scored. You will not know which questions will be scored and which ones will not, so you should answer each and every question as if it will be scored.

You must obtain a scale score of 300 or higher on the actual MSATP English II test to pass the multiple-choice section. This scale score is determined by taking the questions you answered correctly (your raw score) and statistically converting them by taking into account the difficulty of the test questions. This statistical conversion will vary from test to test, so there is no set formula for converting a raw score into a scale score.

Scoring the Practice Tests

Since there is no set formula for converting a raw score into a scale score, this practice test cannot be scored on a scale score. However, on this practice test, you should answer a minimum of 51 out of the 85 questions correctly to approximate the lowest possible passing scale score. A raw score of 51 out of 85 would approximate a scale score of 300. However, your goal should be higher than that!

Your goal should be to demonstrate at least 75% mastery of the material tested on the MSATP English II test. On this practice test, you must answer at least 63 out of 85 questions correctly to obtain 75% mastery. The better you score on the practice test, the more confidence you can have that you will be able to pass the actual test (even though you should realize that no raw score obtained on a practice test will ensure mastery and a passing grade on the actual test).

For Further Review

Use the Test 1 Evaluation Chart on page 21-28 to identify additional areas needing improvement. Circle the questions that you answered incorrectly and then review the sections indicated in the chart.

My Haunted House

- 1 I never thought much about ghosts and haunted houses or even believed in them until I lived in one that was definitely haunted. I never saw the ghost; she was not evil; she was mostly a nuisance.
- 2 We bought a house from a family whose mother had died while living in the house. Several times the ghost made her presence known. The first time, my daughter and I heard someone humming in the kitchen. The humming got louder, and she interrupted the story I was reading to ask who was singing. I told her I didn't know but would check. When I went into the kitchen, the humming stopped. I returned and continued reading. Again the humming started, and I went back into the kitchen, but it stopped again. I tucked my daughter in for the night and didn't hear it any more.
- 3 When my husband came home, I told him what had happened, and he thought I was crazy. A few days later, he met us at the door with a peculiar expression on his face. He had been lying down when he heard someone humming in the kitchen. When he got up to investigate, no one was there. He lay down and the same thing happened again. He got up and stayed until we got home.
- 4 The next time was one winter later. My brother and his wife were spending the night with us along with their daughter, who slept in a bassinet. One night, I was awakened suddenly by a strange noise, and I got up to check on the baby. She was covered from head to foot. I pulled the cover back and tucked it around the sides to uncover her head. Another time during the night, I woke up and did the same thing. The next morning, I asked my sister-in-law why she kept covering the baby's head. She said she thought I was doing it. Both of us had uncovered her twice, and we never understood how she kept getting covered.
- 5 We were puzzling over the incidents when my daughter said that it was probably the old lady she saw in the house sometimes. The lady had white hair and wore a blue dress with a white ruffled apron. She told us that the lady watched her play but would disappear when I came into the room. When I asked her why she hadn't told me, she said that she didn't think anyone would believe her.
- 6 I never believed in haunted houses until I lived in one. The house I have now has been ghost free so far, and I hope it remains that way. I've had more than my share of a haunted house.

53. Which of the following could be a theme for the passage?

- A All ghosts are evil.
- B Some ghosts are just a nuisance.
- C Ghosts move from one house to another.
- D Everyone believes in ghosts.

(A) (B) (C) (D)

55. Which resource could be used to find out more about ghosts?

- A the Internet
- B an atlas
- C a dictionary
- D an almanac

(A) (B) (C) (D)

54. Which of the following expresses an opinion in the passage?

- A We never knew how it got there. . .
- B The next morning I asked my sister-in-law why she kept covering the baby's head.
- C I tucked my daughter in for the night . . .
- D I've had more than my share of haunted houses.

(A) (B) (C) (D)

56. In paragraph 5, the word *disappear* has a root word. What is it?

- A dis
- B appear
- C pear
- D ear

(A) (B) (C) (D)

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Section 21 Test 1 Evaluation Chart

If you missed question #:	Go to section(s):	If you missed question #:	Go to section(s):	If you missed question #:	Go to section(s):
1	8.5	31	3.6	61	16.1
2	3.2, 8.1	32	3.4	62	17.2
3	8.1, 8.2	33	5.5	63	16.2
4	3.2	34	17.1	64	11.1
5	6.3	35	11.3	65	20.1
6	6.1	36	11.2	66	12.5
7	5.5	37	16.2	67	11.5
8	6.4	38	17.4	68	17.5
9	6.6	39	15.2	69	12.3
10	5.1	40	19.1	70	11.4
11	8.5	41	12.1	71	17.5
12	6.6	42	19.4	72	13.2
13	8.1	43	12.2	73	19.3
14	7.1	44	11.5	74	17.1
15	9.6	45	17.6	75	15.1
16	3.1	46	15.1	76	19.1
17	9.6	47	11.1	77	20.3
18	8.4, 9.1	48	11.2	78	17.5
19	16.3	49	11.1	79	16.1
20	9.1	50	20.5	80	12.2
21	9.1	51	12.2	81	17.3
22	9.1	52	11.1	82	18.3
23	9.4	53	17.4	83	17.4
24	9.8	54	12.1	84	18.1
25	9.10	55	15.1	85	17.3
26	9.11	56	13.1		
27	9.11	57	17.5		
28	6.4	58	16.3		
29	3.4	59	13.2		
30	5.5	60	12.4		