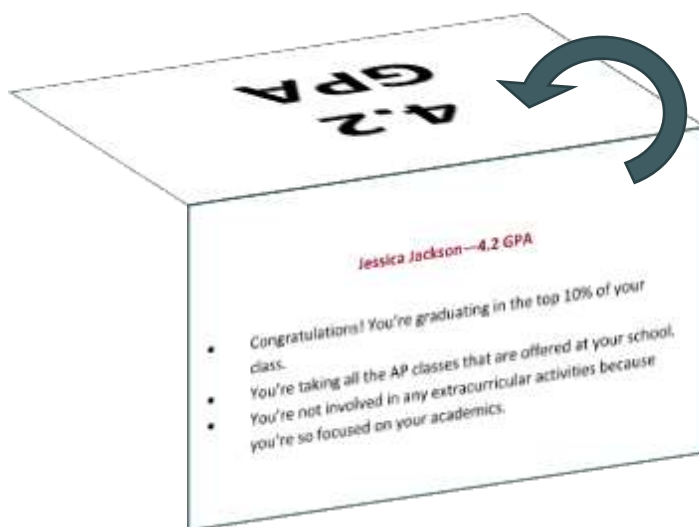


GPA GAME MATERIALS (VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION)

Instructions for Volunteer Participation

1. To prepare, print out the GPA cards on pages 4-11. Print one of each. Fold each card along the horizontal line as shown in the diagram below.
2. Invite eight student volunteers to play the game at the front of the class.
3. Have volunteers start out in a line in order of their GPA.
4. Invite students to listen as you read each statement. Read the statements on page 2 one by one. Have volunteers move forward or backward in line based on the statements on their GPA cards.
5. After you have read every statement, use the answer key on page 3 to check your volunteers' order if needed.



Each card contains:

- GPA
- Academic rigor
- Attendance
- College entrance exam score
- Extracurricular involvement

Directional Statements

Read each statement below. Have students move up or back in line based on the statements in their game cards.

1. If you have taken academically rigorous courses, such as AP, honors, or concurrent enrollment, move up 2 spaces.
2. If you work in the nursery or sing in the choir at your church, move up 1 space.
3. If you ask your teacher for a recommendation letter, but she says no because you have trouble showing up to class, move back 2 spaces.
4. If you attended the optional ACT boot camp your school hosted for ACT prep, move up 1 space.
5. If you played at least one sport, move up 1 space.
6. If you will be the first person in your family to attend college, move up 3 spaces.
7. If you took the ACT sophomore year to get extra practice and a feel for the exam, move up 3 spaces.
8. If you had perfect attendance, move up 2 spaces.
9. If you attended a summer program for enrichment between 9th and 10th grade, move up 2 spaces.
10. If you are graduating in the top 10% of your class, move up 2 spaces.
11. If you haven't participated in any extracurricular activities, move back 1 space.
12. If you stayed up too late the night before the SAT and fell asleep during the test, move back 2 spaces.
13. If you work part-time to help your family with expenses, move up 2 spaces.
14. If you missed 7th hour one day because you had to work, but you communicated with your teacher and made up your assignment, move up 1 space. But if you missed 7th hour and failed to communicate with your teacher and make up your assignment, move back 2 spaces.
15. If you were an Eagle Scout, move up 2 spaces.
16. If you earned a "D" in one of your courses, move back 3 spaces. If you wrote a follow-up letter to the admissions office to explain the extenuating circumstances of a death in the family, move up 3 spaces.
17. If you participated in a community service project, move up 2 spaces, but if you led the community service project, move up 2 spaces. (*Note: 2 spaces are the maximum a student can move; a student cannot move 3 spaces for leading and participating.*)
18. If you took a concurrent enrollment course, but you were removed from the course because you plagiarized, remove yourself from the line entirely.
19. If you didn't take any AP classes to protect your GPA, move back 2 spaces.
20. If your last name is Zuckerberg and the Information Technology building is named after a family member, move to the front of the line.

Final Ranking	Answer Key	
1st Zoe Zuckerberg	Jessica Jackson: Accepted 4.2 GPA = +2 Statement 1 = +2 Statement 10 = +2 Statement 11 = -1 <i>Total = +5</i>	Winston Bishop Jr.: Accepted 4.0 GPA = +2 Statement 19 = -2 Statement 8 = +2 Statement 15 = +2 <i>Total = +4</i>
2nd Jessica Jackson	Suzie Johnson: Accepted 3.8 GPA = +1 Statement 1 = +2 Statement 2 = +1 Statement 6 = +3 Statement 12 = -2 <i>Total = +5</i>	Blake P. Griffin III: Accepted 3.6 GPA = +1 Statement 5 = +1 Statement 15 = +2 Statement 17 = +2 Statement 19 = -2 Statement 4 = +1 <i>Total = +5</i>
3rd Suzie Johnson	Zoe Zuckerberg: Accepted 3.2 GPA = +1 Statement 1 = +2 Statement 5 = +1 Statement 16 = -3 Statement 20 = +5 <i>Total = +6</i>	Maxwell Smith: Waitlisted 3.0 GPA = +1 Statement 2 = +1 Statement 3 = -2 Statement 9 = +2 Statement 17 = +1 <i>Total = +3</i>
4th Blake P. Griffin III	Karen Bubl�: Rejected 2.8 GPA = 0 Statement 13 = +2 Statement 14 = +1 Statement 17 = +2 Statement 18 = -5 <i>Total = 0</i>	Joe Baskin: Waitlisted 2.7 GPA = 0 Statement 3 = -2 Statement 7 = +3 Statement 13 = +2 Statement 14 = -2 Statement 16 = -3, +3 = 0 <i>Total = +1</i>
5th Winston Bishop Jr.		
6th Maxwell Smith		
7th Joe Baskin		
8th Karen Bubl�		

GPA

4.2

Jessica Jackson—4.2 GPA

- Congratulations! You're graduating in the top 10% of your class.
- You're taking all the AP classes that are offered at your school.
- You're not involved in any extracurricular activities because you're so focused on your academics.

GPA

4.0

Winston Bishop Jr.—4.0 GPA

- You did not take any AP classes offered at your school because you wanted to protect your GPA.
- You have perfect attendance. Good job!
- You are an Eagle Scout who values honor and duty.

GPA

3.8

Suzie Johnson—3.8 GPA

- You have a lovely singing voice and sing in the choir at your church.
- You are interested in getting a head start on your college credits and took College Algebra as a concurrent enrollment course.
- You have testing anxiety and it kept you up late the night before the SAT. Unfortunately, you ended up falling asleep in the exam.
- Congratulations! You will be the first person in your family to attend college.

GPA

3.6

Blake P. Griffin III—3.6 GPA

- You play basketball, but your real talents lie in your Eagle Scout duties.
- You care about the environment, so you organized and led a community service project to clean up the local park. Thank you!
- You didn't take any AP classes because you were worried about your GPA.
- You decided to attend the school's ACT boot camp to prepare for the ACT.

GPA

3.2

Zoe Zuckerberg—3.2 GPA

- You took two AP classes to challenge yourself because you do well in math and science.
- You earned a “D” in one of your classes. You didn’t take the time to reach out to the admissions office to explain why.
- You play basketball and golf.
- You are related to Mark Zuckerberg, who has donated funds for the construction of the Information Technology building at the college you are applying for.

GPA

3.0

Maxwell Smith—3.0 GPA

- You asked your teacher for a recommendation letter, but she says no because you have trouble showing up to class.
- You love science and attended Space Camp as a summer program for enrichment between your 9th- and 10th-grade years.
- You want to teach science to young children when you grow up, so you volunteer in the nursery at your church to gain experience working with kids.
- You participated in a community service project your friend Blake organized, and you enjoyed cleaning up the park!

GPA

2.8

Karen Bublé—2.8 GPA

- You work part-time to assist your family with expenses.
- You missed 7th hour one day because you had to work, but you communicated with your teacher and made up your assignment.
- You helped your friend Blake lead a community service project thanks to the leadership skills you gained at work. Good job!
- You took a concurrent enrollment course, but you were removed from the course because you plagiarized.

GPA

2.7

Joe Baskin—2.7 GPA

- You earned a “D” in one of your classes. You took the time to reach out to the admissions office about why because you had a death in the family.
- You work part-time to assist your family with expenses.
- You missed 7th hour one day because you had to work. Unfortunately, you did not communicate with your teacher to make up your assignment.
- You asked your teacher for a recommendation letter, but she said no until you can improve your attendance. Try to be present and adjust your work schedule!
- You took the ACT sophomore year to get extra practice and a feel for the exam because you know you don’t do well on exams.