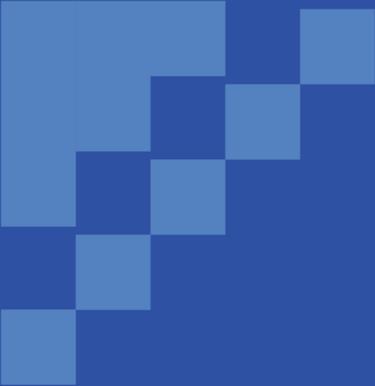


Power Up: English ACT Prep Week 7

Annotating the Test and Pacing





Essential Question

How can I increase my ACT score?



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Learning Objectives

- Explore the annotation tools available through TestNav.
- Apply pacing skills to increase the number of questions answered.



TestNav Tasks

- Using a personal device, navigate to home.testnav.com.
- Navigate to a practice test by following these steps:
 - Select the “The ACT” button.
 - Select “Practice Tests” at the bottom.
 - Select “English.”
 - Select “English - Untimed.”



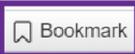
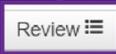
TestNav Tasks

- Complete each task on the handout.
- Take notes over each tool.
 - What does each tool do?
 - How can each tool be useful on the ACT?

- View bookmarks
- View unanswered questions

Return to the pointer cursor.

Mark out an answer.



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Add a bookmark to the current question.

- More tools:
- magnifier
 - line reader mask
 - answer masking

The following paragraphs may or may not be in the most logical order. Each paragraph is numbered in brackets, and a question will ask you to choose where Paragraph 3 should most logically be placed.

Bar Codes: A Linear History

[1]

In 1948, graduate students, Norman Woodland and Bernard Silver, took on a problem that had troubled retailers for years: how to keep track of store inventory. He dots and dashes of Morse code, however, Woodland and Silver created a system of lines that could encode data. Called a *symbology*, the pattern created by the spacing and widths of the lines encodes information by representing different characters.

[2]

The first bar code was composed of four white lines set at specific distances from each other on a black background. The first line was always present. Depending on the presence or absence of the remaining three lines, up to seven different arrangements were susceptible and, therefore, seven different encodings. Today, twenty-nine white lines making more than half a billion encodings possible.

[3]

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. students, Norman Woodland and Bernard Silver
- C. students Norman Woodland and Bernard Silver

Highlight text



ACT English Tip: Pacing

With so many questions and only 45 minutes for this section, it is recommended to only spend 9 minutes per passage.

- As you encounter questions in the reading, pause and answer the corresponding questions.



Number of Passages	Number of Questions	Number of Minutes
5	75	45



Inflation B

Read the passage and answer the questions.



[K20 Center 9-minute Timer](#)

Inflation B | Reflection

Question	Correct Answer	Explanation
1	A	In this instance, the apostrophe in <i>it's</i> reflects a contraction of <i>it is</i> rather than an indication of possession. In this case, <i>it's</i> reflects the correct punctuation to indicate the present contraction.
2	J	The sentence makes more sense without the underlined words. The underlined words are unnecessarily separating the subject and the verb.
3	A	This sentence helps build the topic development.
4	J	The proposed sentence contains only information that is already relayed in the rest of the passage and you want to avoid repetition.

Inflation B | Reflection

Question	Correct Answer	Explanation
5	B	This question concerns subject-verb agreement. The subject is <i>inflation</i> , which is singular, so the verb needs to be singular as well. <i>Occurs</i> is the singular verb.
6	G	The information given after <i>deflation</i> acts as its definition; this is called an <u>appositive</u> . Separate appositives that give extra information with commas.
7	A	<i>This</i> is a pronoun for the action in the previous sentence.
8	F	The question is asking which is the best verb tense. It should be present tense, so <i>happens</i> is correct.

Inflation B | Reflection

Question	Correct Answer	Explanation
9	A	This choice is correct because all the proposed pronoun alternatives to the underlined phrase would become vague pronouns with an unclear antecedent.
10	H	When beginning a sentence with a transition phrase, separate it with a comma.
11	B	This question is about verb tense agreement. Since the sentence used <i>rise</i> , which is present tense, and the next part of the sentence is talking about the future, the correct answer is <i>will rise</i> .

Inflation B | Reflection

Question	Correct Answer	Explanation
12	G	This question is asking about the correct word choice. <i>Citizens</i> best replaces <i>consumers</i> because it reflects all parties rather than individual parties concerned.
13	C	This question is asking which sentence is best.
14	F	This essay discusses different types of inflation.
15	C	Paragraph 4 is about deflation. Since it begins with a transition phrase, it is responding to something previously discussed. The opposite of deflation is inflation, so it goes after paragraph 2.



What? So What? Now What?

- **What?** Think about what you learned today.
- **So What?** Discuss with a partner why you think you explored the tools from TestNav.
- **Now What?** Share what tools you think you might use (or what tools you might avoid using) on the real ACT.





You Powered Up!

Side Quest: In English class, choose a paragraph from any reading and identify the purpose of each sentence: topic sentence, claim, evidence, reasoning, and transitions.

Sneak Peek: Next time we will be taking an online Practice Test!

