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## A Case Study: Ima B. Student's PSAT/NMSOT ${ }^{\oplus}$ Score Report

Take a look at Ima B. Student's sample score report below and on the next page. Use the corresponding information to help you


Score Report

## What Are Ima's Scores?

Ima's Evidence-Based Reading and Writing score is 380 and Math is 480. In EvidenceBased Reading and Writing, Ima's score is approaching the benchmark (explained on the report), but she is not quite on track for college readiness. In Math, however, Ima is exceeding the benchmark and is on track. Test scores, cross-test scores, and subscores can give Ima a better understanding of areas to work on.

What Are Her Score Percentiles?
Since Ima is in the 10th grade, the percentiles compare her scores with those of all 10th-graders in the nation. Ima scored as well as or better in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing than 18 percent of a nationally representative group of sophomores. In Math, she scored as well as or better than 47 percent of a nationally representative group of sophomores. Additional percentiles are available in Ima's online score report.

## How Will Ima Do on the SAT®?

The PSAT/NMSQT ${ }^{\text {® }}$ and SAT are scored on a common scale; therefore if Ima had taken the SAT instead of the PSAT/NMSQT on the same test date, she would have received the same score. When Ima takes the SAT, she will likely have had additional learning from school and practice. Her PSAT/NMSQT results can help Ima focus her efforts in high school to be better prepared for the SAT.

## What Are Her Score Ranges?

No test measures precisely what someone knows, and many factors can affect results. That is why test makers think of each score as a range that extends from a few points below to a few points above the score earned.


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