



GUIDING INSIGHTS TO INFORM INSTRUCTION

PERIODIC ASSESSMENTS

ACT[®] **Aspire**[®]

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(classroom and interim) are designed to measure student understanding of the concepts and skills outlined in the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards and many state standards focused on college and career readiness. Periodic assessments help measure shorter-term student progress—providing supporting data for a more targeted and responsive program of instruction.

Periodic assessments are available as a perfect complement to the ACT Aspire Summative Assessments or as an independent assessment program.

- Online delivery
- Subject areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science
- Locally controlled administration
- Integrated system of Classroom and Interim assessments
- Leverages more than 50 years of ACT education and career readiness research for credibility, validity, and effectiveness



ACT Aspire Interim Assessments

can be administered periodically throughout the course of an academic year. They supply educators with timely and instructionally valuable data that summative assessments are not designed to provide, such as information about student progress toward learning goals and objectives that can be used for adapting instruction. Interim assessments also help educators evaluate and monitor student performance, which allows time for intervention with struggling students or for enrichment for students who are excelling.

Assessments	4 Interim Assessments, per grade, and per content area
Format	Fixed-format, computer-based, multiple choice
Grades	3 through 10
Content Areas	English, math, reading, and science
Duration	45 minutes or less
Available Feedback	Immediate, computer-based analysis and reporting
Reports	Student/Parent; Teacher/Group; School/District; Item Response/Analysis
Delivery mode	Online only

ACT Aspire Classroom Assessments

can be used to assess knowledge before starting a new unit of study, to monitor student learning during ongoing instruction, and to check student outcomes or assess the need for corrective instruction. The flexible nature of these assessments allows teachers to interpret the best time for administration while providing short-term, guiding insights to student progress.

Assessments	10 Classroom Assessments, per grade, and per content area
Format	Fixed-format, computer-based, multiple choice
Grades	3 through 8
Content Areas	English, math, reading, and science
Duration	10 to 15 minutes
Available Feedback	Immediate, computer-based analysis and reporting
Reports	Each five-item Assessment is mapped to 1-2 Standards
Delivery mode	Online only

ACT Aspire Periodic Assessments are a part of a Comprehensive System with Two Major Components: Summative and Periodic Assessment Components that may be used independently or together with data that educators can use to build effective learning programs focused on college and career readiness.

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