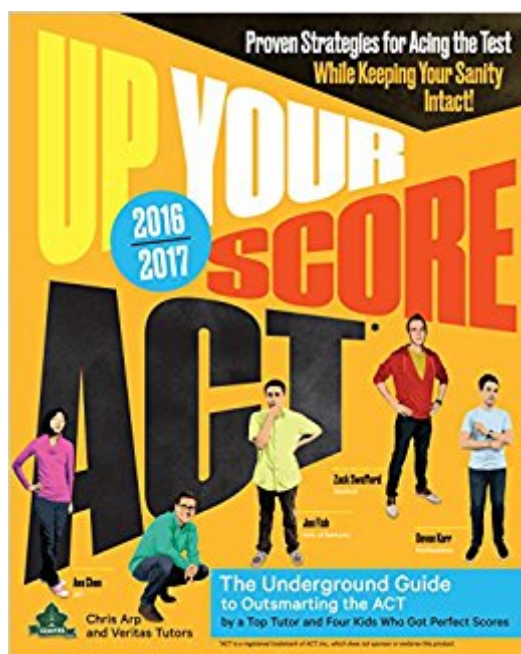


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# Up Your Score: ACT, 2016-2017 Edition: The Underground Guide



## Synopsis

It's the ACT's turn. No longer considered a "regional" test and accepted at all four-year colleges throughout the United States, it's the most popular college admissions test in the country. More than 1.8 million students from the class of 2013 took it. Now updated to address the changes planned for the ACT in 2015, *Up Your Score: ACT* is the test prep and survival guide that kids will actually want to use. Written by Chris Arp, a Princeton graduate and top ACT tutor with the help of four students who aced the test (and went on to the colleges of their choice) it's a true insider's guide, filled with effective strategies and tips, delivered with the attitude, smarts, and wit that make *Up Your Score* the best-selling alternative test prep series in print. Beginning in 2015, the ACT will include more layers in its scoring (including separate STEM, English language arts, and "progress toward career readiness" sub-scores); in some places it will be administered digitally (and those tests will include optional "constructed-response" questions, in which students will have to come up with the answers, not select among multiple choices); and the essay will be less open ended, requiring more analysis. In addition to addressing these changes, the book explains how to crush the reading section by developing the Five Habits of Lean Forward Reading. Master the math section through techniques like "plugging in," an amazing trick that simplifies all algebra word problems. Annihilate the English section by absorbing six key punctuation and eight essential grammar rules. And sail through the science section by understanding that it actually tests reasoning. Plus there is an ACT fitness regime, tongue-in-cheek fashion and beauty tips, and a recipe for energy-boosting GameFace Quintuple Sugar Blast Bars. Good luck finding that in any other test prep book.

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This is a great tool for studying for the ACT. Studying is awful. Studying for the ACT's is even worse. However, this book didn't make me want to set myself on fire for wanting to get into college. I found myself laughing right from the first page and actually WANTING to keep reading it. So thanks guys, you are literal life savers.

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I recommend this book to anyone looking for a good test prep book that is easy to read, tolerate, and understand. It is in-depth and interesting. It also has updated advice for the new ACT writing test, although the book states it is 30 minutes; in actuality, it is now 40 minutes. Overall, great buy if used to its fullest extent along with practice tests.

I love this book and recommend it to all my college planning students. The special thing about the series is the way the writers get to the heart of content that will be meaningful on the test. For example, first you review commas, which make up a large part of the English section. So learning and strategies are both addressed.

I like that this book uses humor to make a daunting job more fun, but at the same time the off topic jaunts are a little distracting from what really needs to be learned. I would recommend the book, however.

This is very easy to understand and read. My daughter said it helped her with her last ACT and is rereading it more thoroughly for the upcoming test. It gives great tips!

This book still covers the old ACT essay and doesn't mention that the prompts and time time allotted to write have totally changed.

Super fast delivery. A great book for those that are disciplined to read it. We ended up getting a private tutor but if you are good at self-help this is a good one.

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