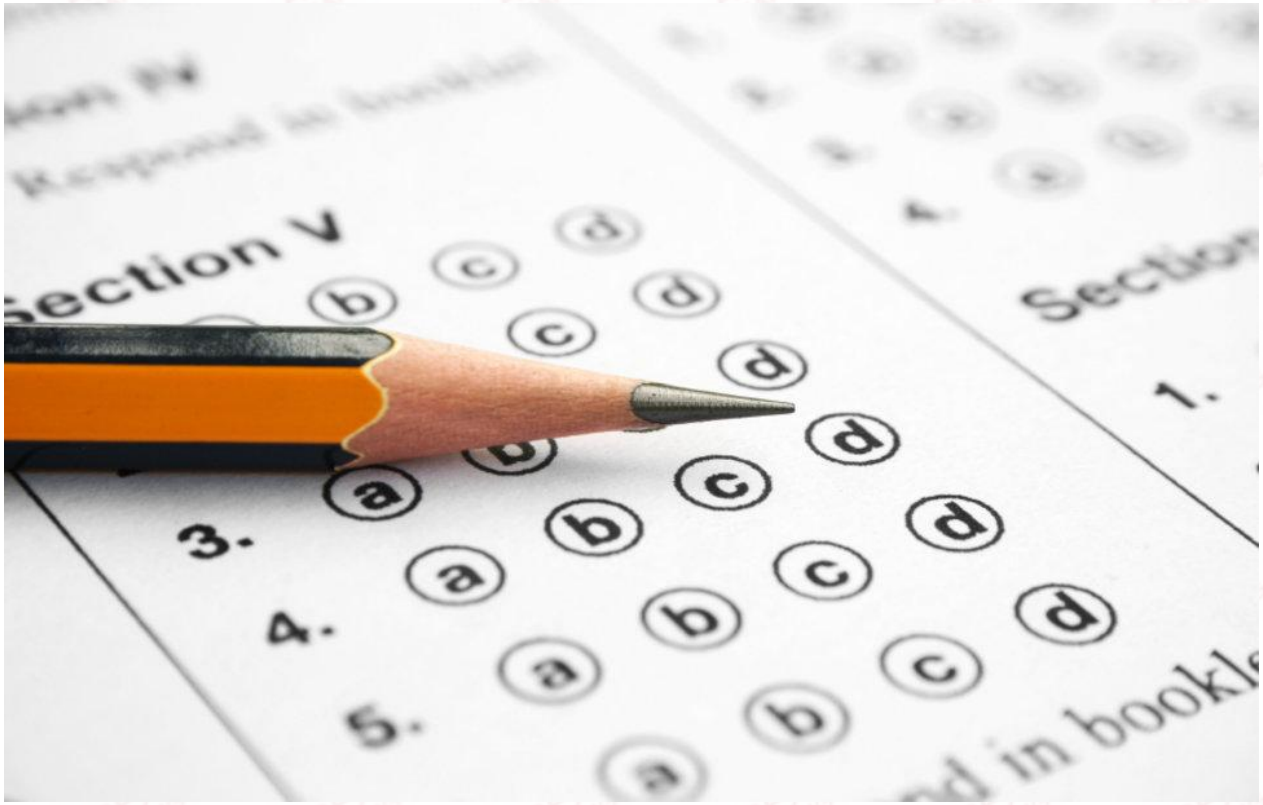
The Role Of Standardized Tests For College Admissions



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Vocabulary

Usher: show or guide (someone) somewhere.

Dozen: a group or set of twelve.

Substantial: of considerable importance, size, or worth.

Pride itself on: to value a skill or good quality that you have.

High stakes: a contest in which the people involved can gain or lose a great deal.

Prep: prepare (something); make ready.

Curriculum: the subjects comprising a course of study in a school or college.

Prioritization: the action or process of deciding the relative importance or urgency of a thing or things.

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Introduction

A *standardized test* is any form of test that requires all test takers to answer the same questions, or a selection of questions from common bank of questions, in the same way, and that is scored in a "standard" or consistent manner, which makes it possible to compare the relative performance of individual students or groups of students.

While different types of tests and assessments may be "standardized" in this way, the term is primarily associated with large-scale tests administered to large populations of students.



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