

Frequently Asked Questions of the Mathematics Skills Test
Winter 2023

When I open Möbius for the first time, there are two tests available: Student Readiness Test, and the Practice Test. Are these tests mandatory?

No. The Readiness Test is needed to be completed before attempting the Practice Test, as it helps ensure your system is configured properly to run Möbius and to practice some Möbius syntax. You are not required to take either test before attempting the Skills Test. However, it is strongly recommended that you complete the Readiness Test and the Practice Test before attempting the Mathematics Skills Test in January. There is no time limit on the Readiness Test, but the Practice Test has a 120-minute time limit, to help students prepare for a timed exam. Grades are not counted for either the Practice or Readiness tests.

How long does the test take?

The Skills Test is timed for a maximum allowance of 120 minutes. It is possible for you to finish a test in less than that time.

Will my grade count as part of my Math 1P05 mark?

You only need to pass the test and the grade obtained will not be counted as part of your mark in the course.

What happens if I fail the mathematics skills test?

For students in Math 1P05 Winter 2023 who fail the test will have to take Math 1P20: Introduction to Mathematics concurrently with Math 1P05. Math 1P20 is a preparatory course for Math 1P01 or Math 1P05. Students who achieve a grade of 80% or higher in Math 1P20 are exempt from future skills tests.

What should I bring to the test?

You should bring a pencil, an eraser as well as your student ID.

What aids are permitted during the test?

We will provide scrap paper and the Möbius syntax guide. No other aids, including calculators, are permitted.

Can we see what questions we got wrong, and are solutions provided?

You will be able to see which questions you got wrong, however, correct answers and/or solutions are not provided. Correct answers for the Practice Test and Readiness Test are available either by reviewing your test at the end or by going through the gradebook.

Where can I go if I need help taking a test, or if I need help with the test material?

For technical assistance with the test, you can contact Neil Marshall by email at nmarshall@brocku.ca though he will be unavailable Dec 23-January 2nd. For assistance with test material, first consult the [review resources](#). Neil Marshall can also answer questions on content via email after January 2nd, 2023.

I have accommodations through the Student Accessibility Centre. How do I arrange for accommodations for the Skills Test?

We can work with you and your case manager to address such issues. Please contact Neil Marshall via email nmarshall@brocku.ca and have your case manager confirm your accommodations with him.