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## Math Test Tips

1. You will need a WPI computer account and your password to login and take the test. When your account is created, you will receive an account notification email containing your login credentials and instructions for accessing your account. This email may appear in your Spam or Junk folder, so please be sure to monitor these locations. Follow the steps in the email to access your account. You can then use the established credentials to access the Match Placement test. If you have any troubles, please contact the ITS Service Desk at [its@wpi.edu](mailto:its@wpi.edu).
2. If you get past the initial login page but get a message saying you are not enrolled from your WPI account, email [mathplacement@wpi.edu](mailto:mathplacement@wpi.edu) with a description of your problem.
3. Once you login to the system, you will find two sets of problems.
4. Take a few minutes to work through the Orientation Test. This is a short introduction that will save you time later.
5. The Calculus Placement Test has 43 problems, starting with basic algebra and trig and progressing through differentiation, integration, series, parametric curves, and vector algebra. You should work as many of the problems as you can, but if you really don't know the topic, skip the problem.
6. You can work on the problems in any order. You can quit at any time and your work will be saved. You can pick up where you left off when you return. Also, you can use the "Email Instructor" button in each problem to send a question to WPI.
7. Take the tests seriously and do your best, but keep in mind that these tests are used only to help you pick the best first math class. Your grade will not be recorded and used against you.
8. Be sure you complete the last problem (#44) to let us know that you've finished your work. When you have completed this problem, you will have the option of seeing your recommendation online immediately. Whether you exercise this option or not, our recommendation will be sent to your WPI e-mail address within 48 hours.
9. If you are interested in the theoretical calculus sequence MA 1033 and MA 1034, you should still take the Calculus Placement Test.

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