Outline of the Admissions Test

Kaplan suggests the following preparatory text (available at local bookstores or through Amazon.com) Nursing School Entrance Exams Prep 2019-2020: Your All-in-One Guide to the Kaplan and HESI Exams.

Please note the text is for all nursing entrance exams and includes more information than is on this specific Admissions Test.

Since admissions tests vary in content and focus, please use the areas listed in the overview of the Kaplan Admissions Test to guide your studying.

The Admissions Test consists of 4 sections with a total of 91 questions. The total testing time is up to 165 minutes.

READING – 22 questions; time allotted = 45 minutes. Candidates read four passages and answer questions that measure the essential skills required for reading.

- Determining the logic of a passage
- Comprehending details
- Drawing basic inferences
- Identifying the purpose of a passage

MATH – 28 questions; time allotted = 45 minutes. The test measures the candidate's ability to apply mathematical principles in the following areas:

- Conversions
- Operations
- Ratios
- Word Problems

WRITING – 21 questions; time allotted = 45 minutes. Candidates read nine passages and answer questions that measure the essential skills required for writing.

- Assessing passage development
- Assessing paragraph logic
- Assessing mechanics of writing

SCIENCE – 20 questions; time allotted = 30 minutes. The test measures the candidate's knowledge of physiology in the following areas:

- Cardiovascular system
- Electrolytes
- Gastrointestinal system
- Immune system
- Neurology
- Renal system

- Hematological system
- Homeostasis
- Respiratory system
- Sensory system