Gellerisms on PSAT/SAT Student Produced Response Questions

- The solutions to the questions in multiple-choice format at the beginning of the Grid-In section increase from easy to difficult; the solutions to the questions in grid-in format increase in difficulty from easy to difficult.

- Only answers entered on the grid are scored. Handwriting your answers at the top of the grid also is recommended as it prevents carelessness.

- Some questions can have more than one correct answer. Grid any ONE of the correct answers to get credit.

- Write a mixed number (for example: $2 \frac{1}{2}$) answer as an improper fraction ($\frac{5}{2}$) or as a decimal (2.5), never leave it as a mixed number!

- The scoring-machine cannot read your mind; you must tell it that an answer is a non-terminating decimal by gridding as much of the repeating decimal as will fit in the grid.

- If your calculations lead to an answer that is negative, THINK AGAIN AND REDO YOUR WORK! Only positive numbers or zero can be “gridded”!

- Show your plan and calculations on paper; translate English information to any diagrams given or to those you draw. (What is your “plan”? What is English information?)

- CHECK YOUR WORK because this section has a high incidence of errors due to carelessness!

- There is NO PENALTY for incorrect student-produced response answers. If all else fails, GUESS on the GRIDS.