

IXL Parent Quick Guide



Getting Your Child Started

1. Use ixl.com/signin/godwin when logging into IXL.
 - a. Link is provided on Godwin School's homepage under Site Shortcuts.
 - b. This site is customized for Godwin School and does not require "@godwin" in the username. *Go to Profile and Settings at the top and enter your email address to receive weekly updates on your child's accomplishments!

2. Locate the appropriate grade level and click the button to view relevant practice skills.

- a. Choose a skill. If you're unsure of a skill, hold your mouse over any skill name to view a sample problem. Click a skill name to start practicing it!
- b. Sometimes a teacher will assign a specific skill to work on. Each skill has a letter and number, for example, M.3.

3. Read the problem, and indicate your answer. You will get immediate feedback for each problem.

The screenshot shows the IXL website interface. On the left, there is a 'Grades' sidebar with buttons for Pre-K, Kindergarten, First grade (highlighted), Second grade, Third grade, Fourth grade, Fifth grade, Sixth grade, Seventh grade, Eighth grade, Algebra, and Coming soon. The main content area is titled 'Practice -> First grade' and contains a list of skills organized into categories: Counting and number patterns, Comparing, Estimating, Fractions, Addition, and Spatial sense. A sample problem is displayed in a box, showing the addition of 5 and 3 using soccer ball icons. The problem is: 5 + 3 = . Below the problem, there are several skill links, such as 'A.1 Counting review - 0 to 10', 'A.2 Counting review - up to 20', 'A.3 Counting tens and ones - up to 30', 'A.4 Counting - up to 30', 'A.5 Counting - up to 100', 'A.6 Skip counting - with pictures', 'A.7 Counting by tens, fives, and tens - up to 100', 'A.8 Counting forward and backward', 'A.9 Number lines', 'A.10 Standard chart', 'A.11 Identifying even and odd numbers', 'A.12 Which even or odd number comes before or after?', 'A.13 Skip 3, 5, and 10', 'A.14 Skip 2, 5, and 10', 'A.15 Odd and even', 'A.16 100', 'A.17 Base ten blocks', 'M.1 Addition with pictures - sums to 10', 'M.2 Addition sentences - sums to 10', 'M.3 Word problems - sums to 10', 'M.4 Word problems - write the addition sentence', 'M.5 Ways to make a number - addition sentences', 'M.6 Ways to make a number - addition sentences', 'M.7 Adding zeros', 'M.8 Adding doubles', 'M.9 Addition facts - sums to 10', 'M.10 Addition facts - sums to 10', 'M.11 Word problems - sums to 10', 'M.12 Adding three numbers', 'M.13 Word problems - adding three numbers', 'M.14 Related addition facts', 'M.15 Addition facts - sums to 20', 'M.16 Add tens', 'M.17 Add tens II', 'M.18 Add a one-digit number to a two-digit number', 'G.1 Identify 3-dimensional figures', 'G.2 Geometry of everyday objects', 'G.3 Relate plane and solid figures', 'G.4 Count sides and vertices', 'G.5 Count edges, vertices, and faces', 'G.6 Count edges, vertices, and faces', 'G.7 Compare edges, vertices, and faces', 'G.8 Compare edges, vertices, and faces', 'G.9 Open and closed shapes', 'G.10 Flip, turn, and slide', 'G.11 Symmetry', 'G.12 Same shapes', 'S.1 Left, middle, and right', 'S.2 Above, below, top, middle, and bottom', 'S.3 Location in a three-by-three grid', 'D.1 Record data with tally charts, picture graphs, tables'.

4. Continue practicing until you master the skill by reaching a SmartScore of 100.
 - a. SmartScore is based on number of problems completed, number of problems correct/incorrect, difficulty, and consistency.
 - b. Mastering skills will earn medals and awards under the Awards tab.

*For more detailed instructions, log in to IXL and click the User Guides link at the top of the page.



IXL's Reports for Families

1. Sign in to your child's account.
2. Click the Reports tab. IXL will automatically load your child's Overview Report.



3. Use the menu on the left to choose a specific report.
 - a. Reports home-To view all of the reports available
 - b. Status update-To view the Overview, Newsflashes, etc.
 - c. Usage-to view number of problems received, time spent, etc.
 - d. Performance-to view performance on each skill
 - e. Trouble Spots-to find areas in need of improvement
 - f. Progress-to view improve improvement over time
 - g. State Standards-to view your child's performance with the Common Core State Standards

4. Customize your report with the options in the green box at the top.

5. Under Status update, News Flashes, you can print certificates of the various milestones that your child has achieved on IXL.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Can my other child or a friend use the account?

- No, students should not let siblings or anyone else on their account. IXL tracks each individual student and adapts to his or her aptitude, increasing the level of difficulty as a student improves. In addition, teachers receive reports on all of the problems solved and use this information to guide instruction.

Why are all of the grades levels shown when my child logs in?

- IXL does not restrict students from practicing skills at other grade levels. If a child needs practice with a skill from another grade level, they may practice on that grade level.

Can we use IXL on an iPad, Kindle Fire, or other portable device?

- Yes, this is a great way to practice skills and win awards on IXL! A few IXL features, such as reports and interactive graphing skills, utilize Adobe Flash and, therefore, are not supported on the iPad. IXL recommends using a computer for these tasks.

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