

Get to know the IXL SmartScore

A GUIDE FOR FAMILIES!



IXL's SmartScore is a unique scoring system that's designed to reflect your child's true understanding of a skill. It's a useful way to see where your child is at and help them grow from there!

How it works

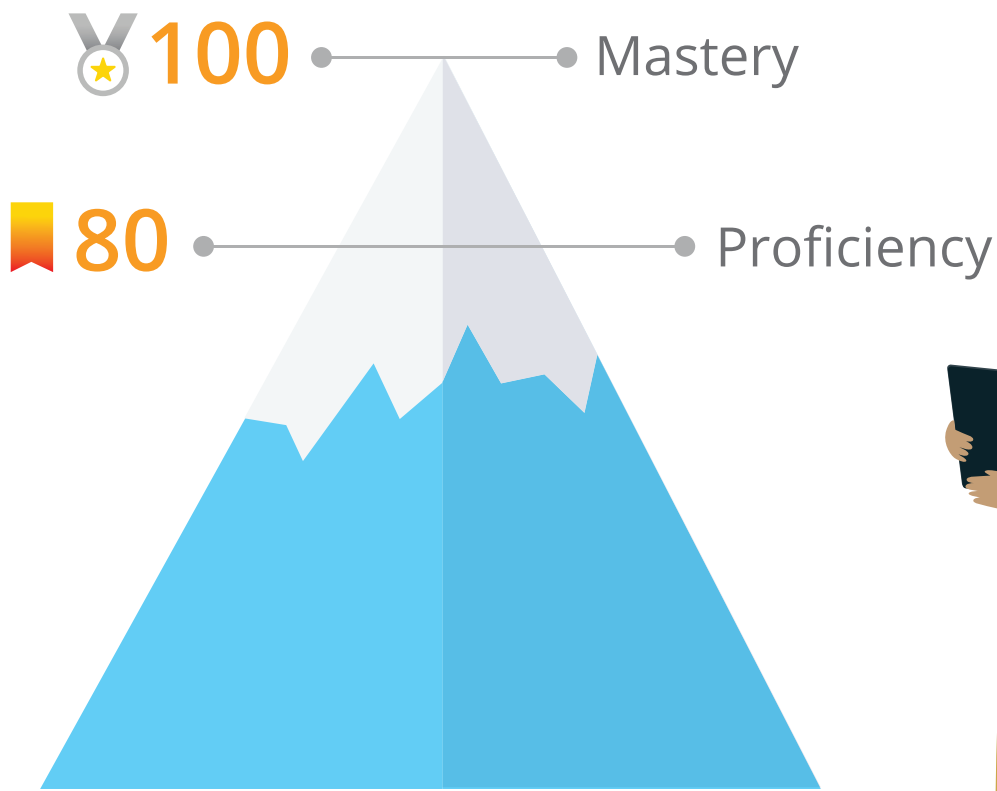
What makes the SmartScore so smart? It automatically adjusts to your child's knowledge to ensure they are always engaged at the right level!

The SmartScore ranges from 0-100, but it is not a percentage score. It's calculated based on question difficulty, answer accuracy, and consistency.

When your child gets a question wrong, their SmartScore will drop, and they will get easier questions. This gives them more time to solidify their knowledge!

When your child is getting the hang of the concept, their SmartScore will increase, and their questions will get harder.

Your child can keep practicing to increase their score. If their goal is to reach 100, it's always possible!





What SmartScore goal should you set for your child?

Great goal: 80 or 90

A graphic for a SmartScore of 90. It features a white box with an orange header that says "SmartScore out of 100" and a question mark icon. Below the header, the number "90" is displayed in large orange font. Underneath the number are three ribbon icons: a gold one on the left, a blue one in the middle, and a green one on the right.

A score of 80 is considered proficiency and 90 is excellence. Both scores show a strong understanding of a skill and may be the perfect stopping point.

Above and beyond: 100

A graphic for a SmartScore of 100. It features a white box with an orange header that says "SmartScore out of 100" and a question mark icon. Below the header, the number "100" is displayed in large orange font. Underneath the number are three ribbon icons: a gold one on the left, a blue one in the middle, and a green one on the right.

Mastery (a score of 100) is an extra challenge! It involves tackling the Challenge Zone, which has the most difficult questions in a skill. It may take longer to make strides, and it's especially important to maintain a streak of correct answers.



SMART TIPS FOR THE SMARTSCORE

TAKE BREAKS

If your child needs a brain break, their progress will automatically be saved so they can return to a skill later.

SET THE RIGHT GOALS

Reaching 100 may not be right for every learner! Aim for a SmartScore of 80 or 90 and adjust goals as you go.

DON'T RUSH

Encourage your child to take their time, work carefully, and read the answer explanations for key strategies—especially if they choose to enter the Challenge Zone.