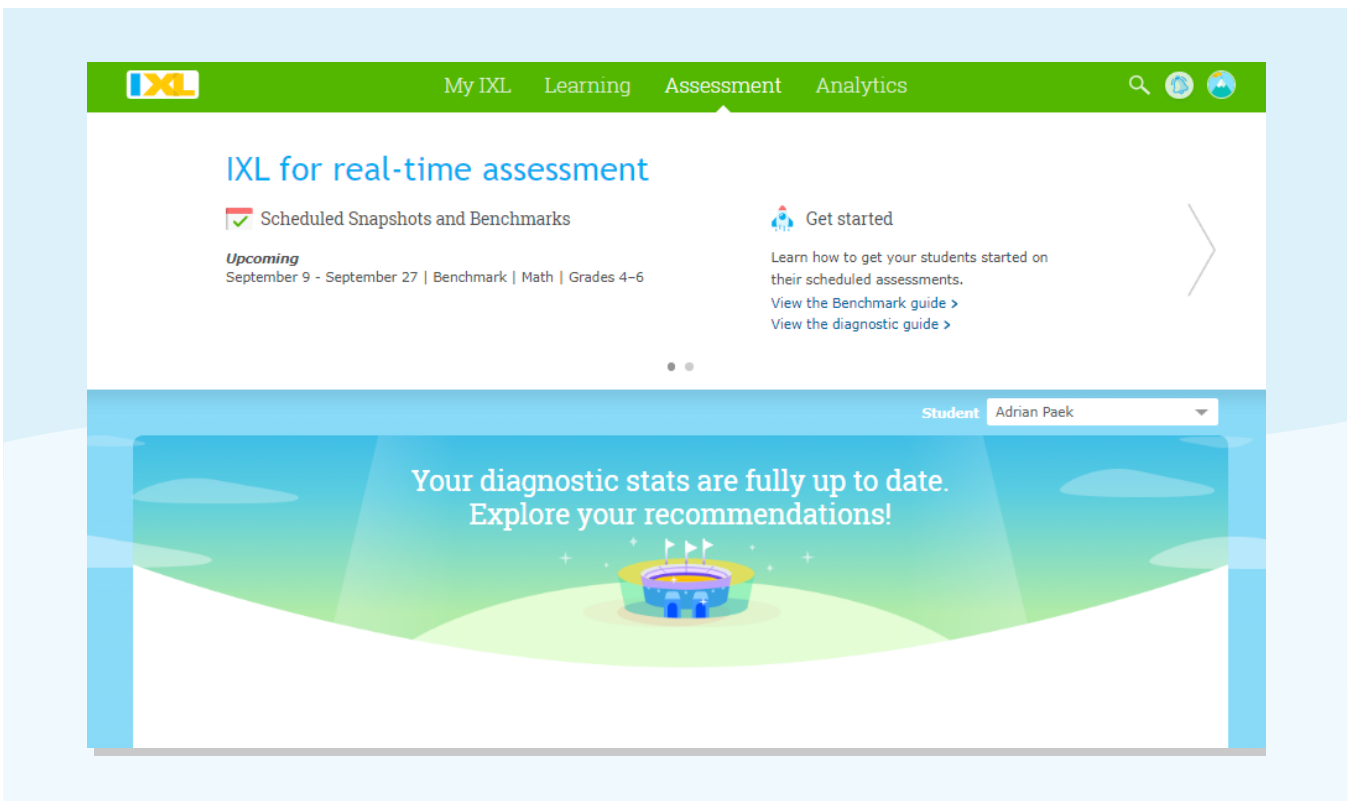# IXL LevelUp™ Diagnostic for math in Benchmark mode

The IXL LevelUp™ Diagnostic for math in Benchmark mode is a scientifically advanced assessment that allows your school to get efficient benchmarking data, and gives you a clear path forward for each student post-assessment.

How it works

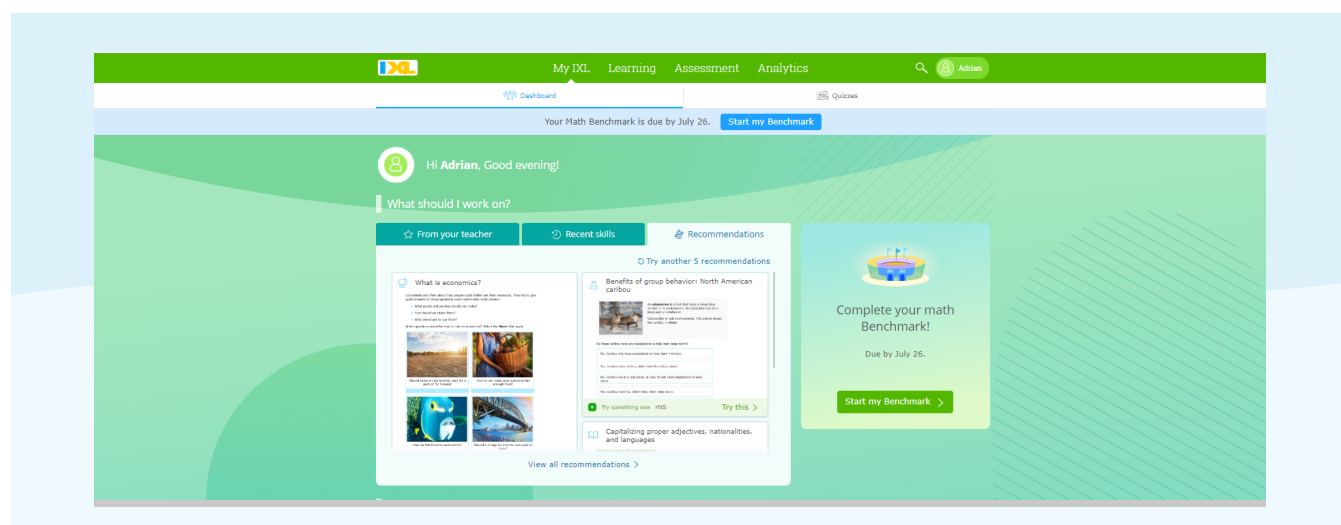**1** | **View your Benchmark window**

Your school or district administrator will select one or more specific times during the year for students to complete their LevelUp Benchmark. You can view any current or planned Benchmark windows under your Assessment tab or on the Assessment section of your Teacher Dashboard.
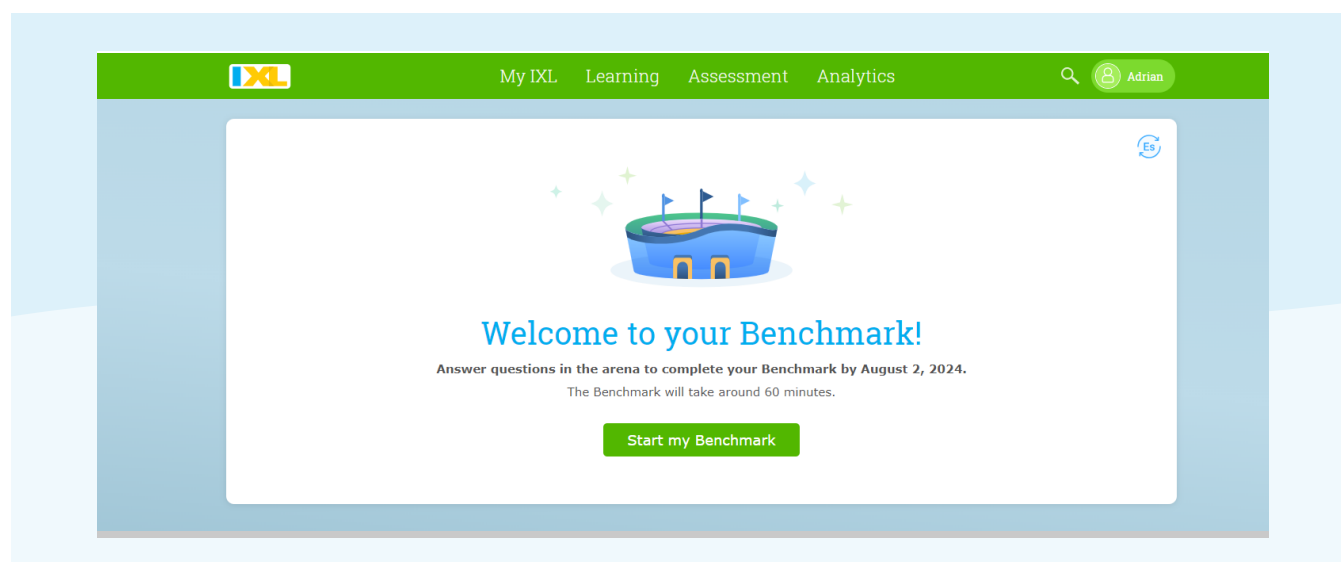
2 Get your students started

Before starting, be sure to set aside 60 minutes of test time for students to complete the assessment. The test has a one-hour time limit and can be taken over multiple settings. It will automatically pause if students leave the browser.

When students sign in to IXL during an active Benchmark window, they'll see a message that directs them to complete the assessment by the specified date. Instruct them to start the assessment when they're ready.
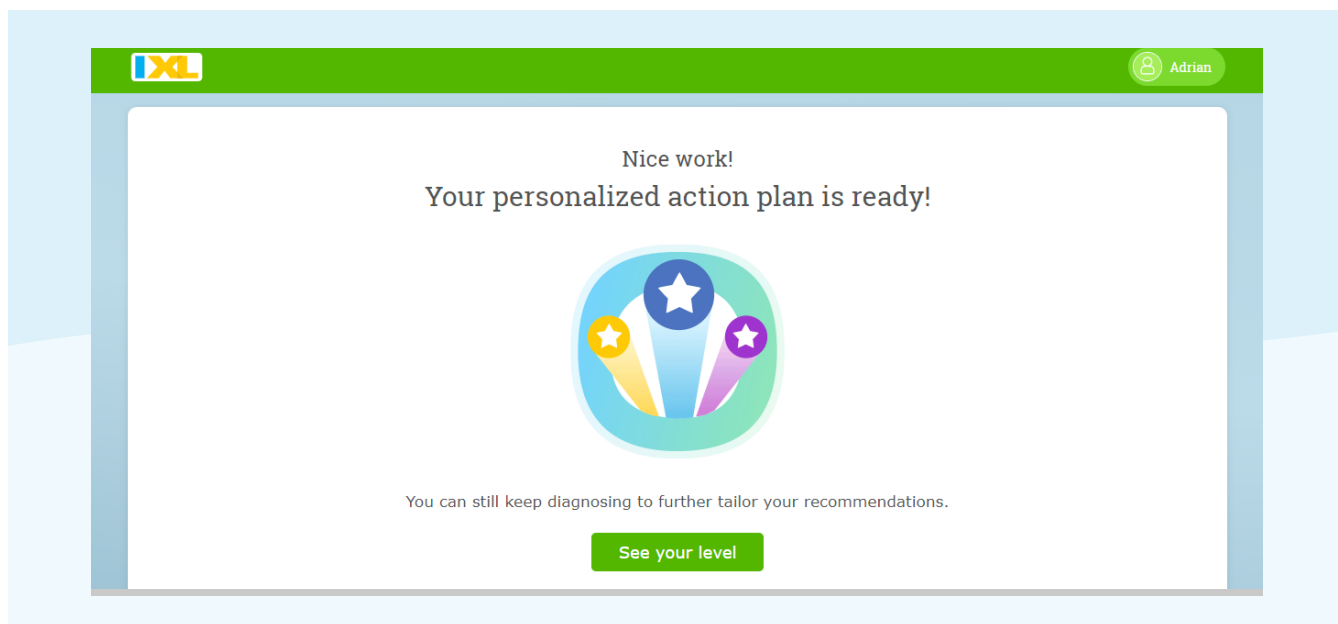

Tip: English language learners can choose to complete the Math Benchmark in Spanish by clicking on the "ES" button. Note that the language cannot be changed once students have started the assessment.

Students are limited to three minutes per question, and any selected answer will be automatically submitted when time is up. If no answer is selected, the question will consequently be marked as incorrect. Encourage students to guess if they don't know the correct answer!

During the last 30 seconds of a question, a timer will appear to remind students to submit their answers.

Students will see a message when they have completed the Benchmark, and will be able to view their results afterwards.
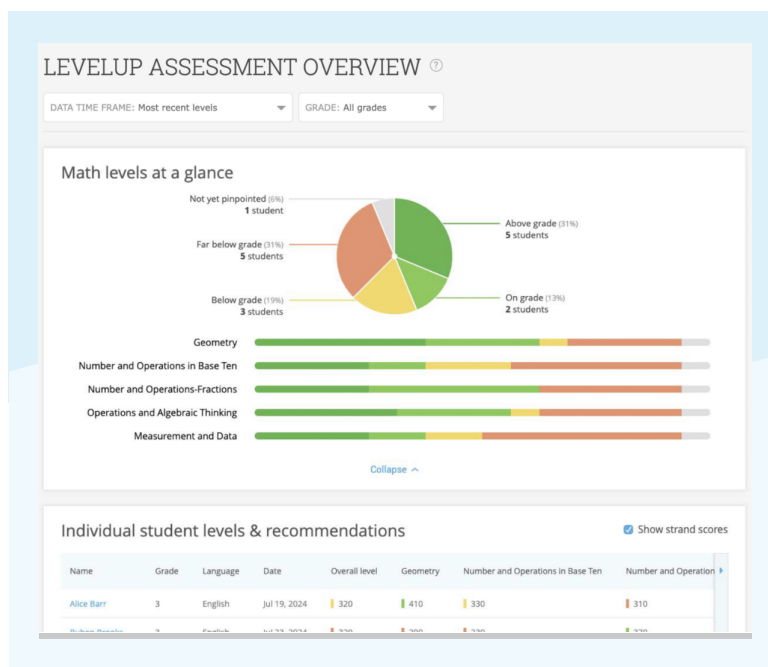

Ready to begin?

Once your students are logged into IXL, read the student directions script to get them started!

3 ▸ View results

Visit the LevelUp Diagnostic Overview report under the Analytics tab to check for completion and view student scores.

This report allows you to see how well your class performed overall and in each strand on the LevelUp Benchmark. You can also easily identify which students have not completed the assessment.

4 **Take action**

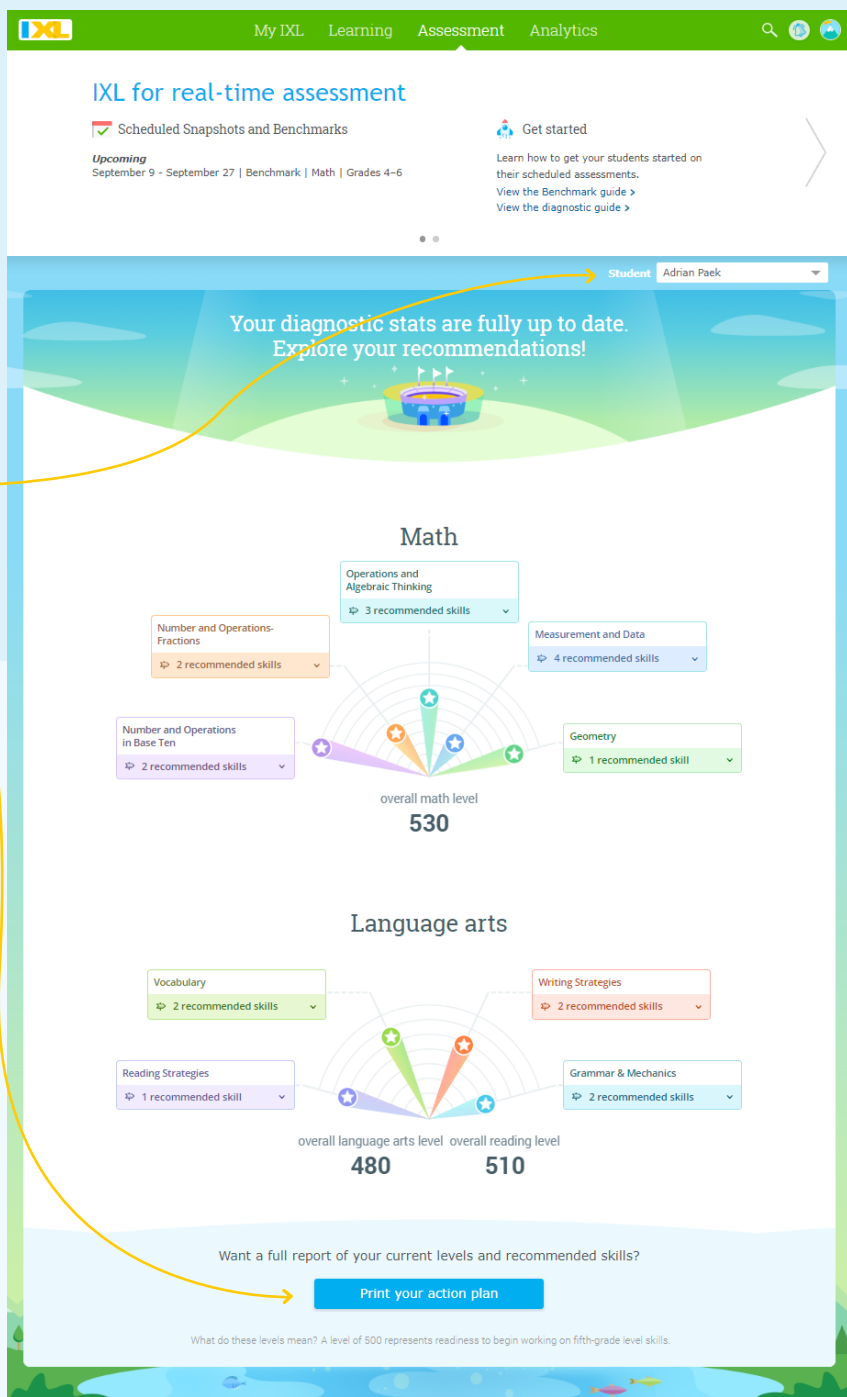IXL will generate an action plan for each student based on their performance in the LevelUp Benchmark.

To access a student's action plan, visit the Assessment tab and select their name from the dropdown menu. Click "Print Benchmark Action Plan" to view their skill recommendations as a PDF.

Tip: You can print all of your students' action plans at once in the LevelUp Diagnostic Overview report.

This action plan shows you each student's knowledge levels, and the specific skills that will help them make progress from where they are. IXL recommends having students reach proficiency (a SmartScore of 80) in two skills per week to accelerate their growth.

IXL LevelUp™ Diagnostic Action Plan
Your most recent levels and recommendations as of October 24, 2025

Student: Lara Perez

The IXL LevelUp Diagnostic shows you what you know and what you're ready to learn next. Work on your personalized skill recommendations until you reach proficiency (80+). Visit the LevelUp Diagnostic in Real-Time mode often to update your levels and get new recommendations!

Have questions about the IXL LevelUp Diagnostic? Visit www.ixl.com/levelup-diagnostic-help.

Overall math level

| 0 | 100 | 200 | 300 | 400 | **480** | 600 | 700 | 800 | 900 | 1000 | 1100 | 1200 |

Math strand levels and recommendations

Number and Operations

| 0 | **500** | 1200 |

▶ 5 recommended skills

- ☐ Multiply a 2-digit number by a 2-digit number: word problems (Fourth grade) ≫ GZG
- ☐ Divide 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers using arrays (Fourth grade) ≫ M49
- ☐ Add mixed numbers (Fourth grade) ≫ AXT
- ☐ Compare fractions (Fourth grade) ≫ 99U
- ☐ Multiply a decimal by a two-digit whole number using area models (Fifth grade) ≫ VNT

Algebraic Reasoning

Recommended

Use the assessment's Real-Time mode to inform daily instruction

The IXL LevelUp Diagnostic isn't just for benchmark assessments. It can also support your daily classroom instruction with immediate insight into your students' knowledge.

- Use the IXL Diagnostic in Real-Time mode in between benchmarks to get more frequent data on what your students know.

- Set aside as little as 10 minutes a week to maintain students' levels and receive updated action plans.

- Leverage up-to-date insights that help you make better decisions when differentiating instruction, planning for small-group instruction, and helping students close knowledge gaps efficiently.

Check out this 3-step implementation guide to get the most out of IXL's real-time assessments!

Student directions script

To all students, say:	Today, you will be taking a math test on IXL. This test is an opportunity for you to show us what you know and find out what you're ready to learn next, so make sure you try your best! The test will take about an hour, and you will have three minutes to answer each question. If you see a timer appear in the top right corner of your screen, that means that you have 30 seconds left on the question. Enter your answer and press 'Submit' to move on to the next question. If you run out of time on a question, don't worry. Focus on the next question you see, and keep going! Some questions will be easy, and other questions will be hard. Because the test is trying to figure out what you don't know yet, we don't expect you to get every question right. If you don't know the answer to a question, make your best guess and move on to the next one. You can use scratch paper and a pencil during this assessment. You can also press the blue pencil icon on the right-hand side of the screen during the test to write directly on your screen.

If students are in grades PK-5, say:	If students are in grades 5+, say:
Some questions in this test will be read out loud to you, so you'll need your headphones. Make sure your headphones are plugged in and your volume is turned up. When you see a blue speaker button, you can press it to hear the words read aloud.	On some questions, a calculator button may appear on the right-hand side of the screen as well. For those questions, you can use the calculator if you find it helpful. Press the calculator button to use the tool. You cannot use a calculator on the rest of the questions.

If some students are taking the assessment in Spanish, say:	If you are taking the Benchmark in Spanish, before beginning your test, press the "ES" button in the top right-hand corner of your screen for español. You will not be able to change languages after you start the assessment.
To all students, say:	Do you have any questions? *[Pause and wait for questions].* If there are no other questions, press "Start my Benchmark" to begin!