

# IXL Social Studies scoring guide



IXL Social Studies skills use a special scoring system, specifically designed for the rich and immersive questions students see in this subject.

## STAGES

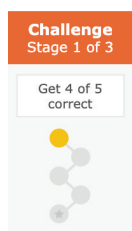
With IXL Social Studies, students progress through skills in stages. Once they complete multiple stages, they will achieve skill mastery!

## SCORE TYPES

Each social studies skill uses one of three score types:



### Percents

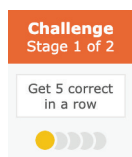


**Where it's used:** In skills that require students to learn a narrative (Ex: [Early Mesopotamia](#)).

**How it works:** Students need to answer a certain number of questions correctly to move on to the next stage. If the student missed any questions during the initial stages, the skill concludes with a Bonus Stage with questions similar to the ones missed earlier.

**Reaching mastery (SmartScore of 100):** Answer all questions in the initial stages correctly, or reach the Bonus Stage and answer all Bonus Stage questions correctly.

### Streaks

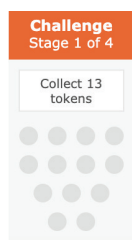


**Where it's used:** In skills that require students to apply rules consistently and accurately (Ex: [Checks and balances](#)).

**How it works:** Students must answer a certain number of questions correctly in a row to move to the next stage. In later stages, students who are struggling may be dropped down a stage until they are ready to move on.

**Reaching mastery:** Reach the final stage and achieve the required streak.

### Tokens



**Where it's used:** In skills that require students to memorize independent and non-sequential facts (Ex: [Identify the 50 state capitals](#)).

**How it works:** Students receive a token for each new question they answer correctly, and move on once they've earned all tokens for that stage. Students lose tokens for incorrectly answering questions they previously got right.

**Reaching mastery:** Collect all tokens in all stages.

## SMARTSCORE

Students will not see their SmartScore while they practice, but SmartScores are available in IXL Analytics for both teachers and students.

