

# Get your child started

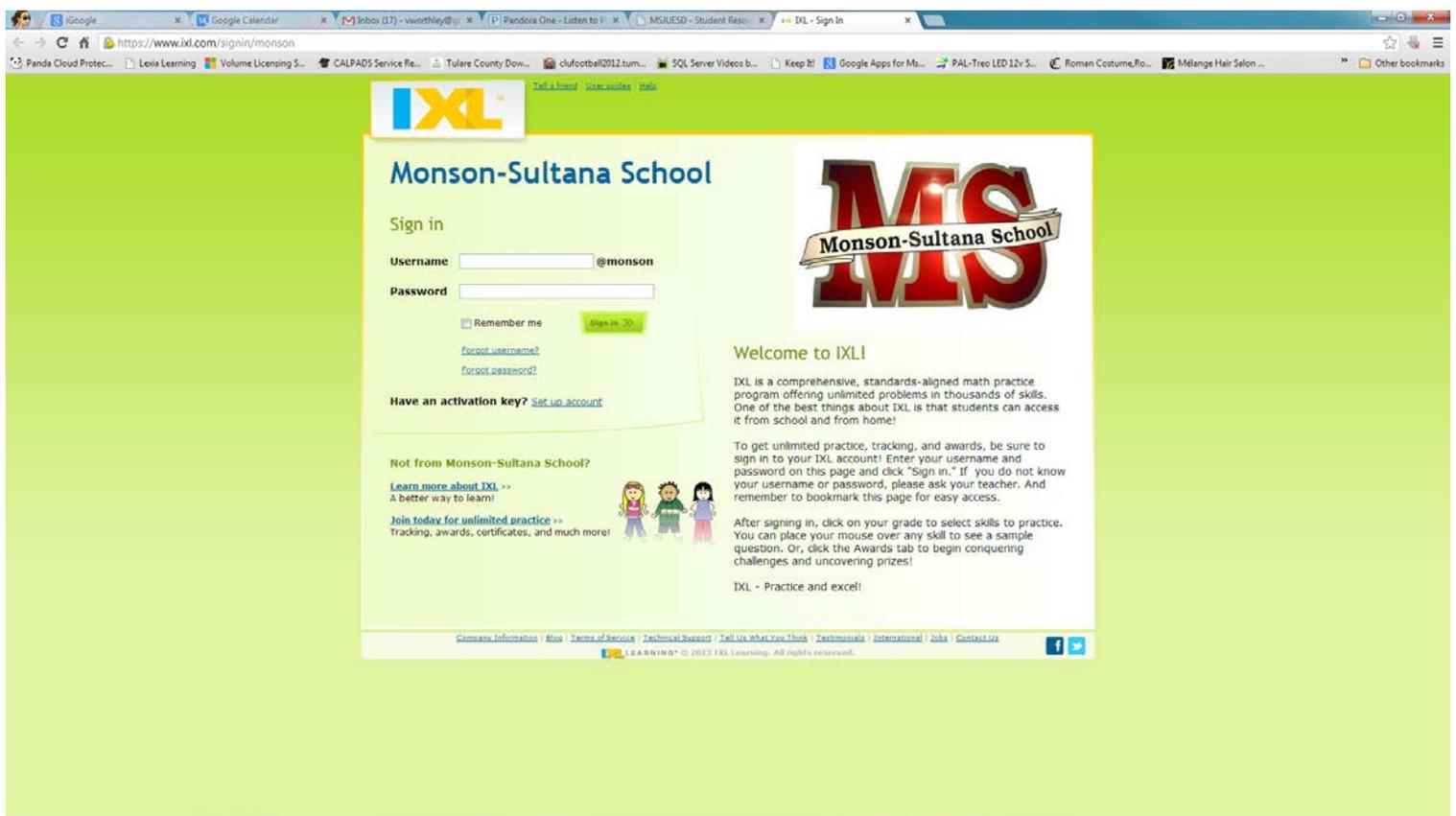
- Engaging problems, detailed explanations, and unlimited practice help children master thousands of math skills.
- With cool virtual prizes for meeting math challenges, your child will be begging to spend time on IXL.
- This is the same website that your child uses at school. Walk through these steps with your child once, and they'll be ready and excited to practice on their own at home!

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Help your child sign in to their IXL account at:

<https://www.ixl.com/signin/monson>

(your child has a Username and Password assigned by their teacher)





3 Locate the appropriate grade level and click the button to view the appropriate practice skills. (you can check with your child's teacher for a list of appropriate assignments.)

The screenshot shows the IXL website interface. On the left is a vertical navigation menu with 'Grades' and 'Topics' tabs. Under 'Grades', there are buttons for Pre-K, Kindergarten, First grade, Second grade, Third grade, Fourth grade, Fifth grade, Sixth grade, Seventh grade, Eighth grade, Algebra, and Coming soon. The main content area is divided into two columns of skill categories. The left column lists Pre-K skills, First-grade skills, Third-grade skills, and Fifth-grade skills. The right column lists Kindergarten skills, Second-grade skills, and Sixth-grade skills. Each category has a list of specific skills with brief descriptions and a 'See all' button. Two callout boxes with orange borders and arrows point to the 'See all first-grade skills' button. The top callout box says: 'There are tons of skills for each grade level, offering comprehensive coverage of the typical math curriculum—and then some!'. The bottom callout box says: 'For example, click **See all first-grade skills** to view all skills for first graders.'

- 4 Choose a skill. If you're unsure, hold your mouse over any skill name to view a sample problem. Click a skill name to start practicing it!

The screenshot shows the IXL website interface for a first-grade student. On the left, there is a sidebar with 'Grades' and 'Topics' sections. The 'Grades' section lists levels from Pre-K to Algebra, with 'First grade' highlighted. The 'Topics' section lists various subjects. The main content area is titled 'Practice >> First grade' and contains a list of skills organized into categories. A callout box on the right points to the 'Comparing' category, stating 'Skills are grouped into categories by topic.' Another callout box points to a sample problem for skill B.1, which is 'Addition with pictures - sums to 10'. The sample problem shows five soccer balls followed by a plus sign, three soccer balls, and an equals sign followed by a blank box. A callout box next to this sample problem states 'The B.1 skill offers practice problems like this one.'

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5 Read the problem, and indicate your answer.

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First grade > Addition: Addition with pictures - sums to 10

Add:

1 + 2 = 3

Submit

Type your answer here.

After answering, click **Submit**.

Problems attempted: 0

Time elapsed: 00:00:00

SmartScore out of 100: 0

? Children who are not yet independent readers can click the orange speaker icon  alongside any text to hear it read aloud. This feature is available for pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and first grade skills.

You'll get immediate feedback for each problem:

• *Correct!* You'll see a green message, then the next problem. Continue practicing.

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First grade > Addition: Addition with pictures - sums to 10

Correct!

Problems attempted: 1

Time elapsed: 00:00:02

SmartScore out of 100: 10

Submitting a correct answer increases the SmartScore for this skill.

? Watch for the ribbons that appear here to reward high scores!

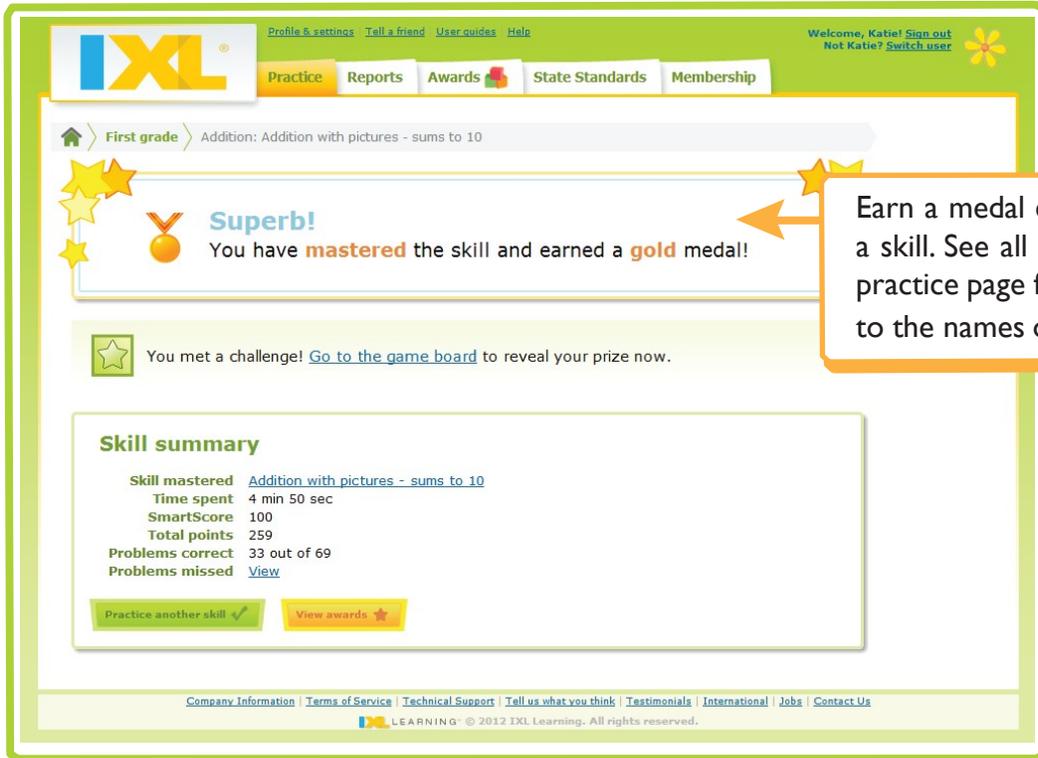
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- Sorry, incorrect... The correct answer is shown.

The screenshot shows the IXL website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the IXL logo, a user profile for 'Katie', and menu items: Practice, Reports, Awards, State Standards, and Membership. The main content area displays a math problem: 'Addition: Addition with pictures - sums to 10'. The problem is 'Sorry, incorrect...' and shows the correct answer is 3. Below this is an 'Explanation' section with a 'review' tab. The problem is shown with 1 bird and 2 birds, and the equation  $1 + 2 = \square$ . The user's answer is shown as 4. The explanation text says: 'Count the first group of birds. The first group has 1 bird. Count the second group of birds. The second group has 2 birds. To find the sum of 1 and 2, count all the birds together, like this:'. Below this is a visual representation of the addition:  $1 + 2 = 3$  with 1 bird and 2 birds. The explanation concludes: 'There are 3 birds, so  $1 + 2 = 3$ .' On the right side, there is a sidebar with 'Problems attempted' (1), 'Time elapsed' (00:00:16), and 'SmartScore out of 100' (0). Three orange callout boxes with arrows point to specific elements: 'Review the problem.' points to the problem area, 'Review your answer.' points to the user's answer, and 'Review the step-by-step explanation of the problem to see what you did wrong and better learn the skill.' points to the explanation text. A fourth orange callout box at the bottom left points to a 'Got it' button with a checkmark, with the text 'Click Got it to continue practicing.'

- 5 Continue practicing until you *master* the skill by reaching a SmartScore of 100.



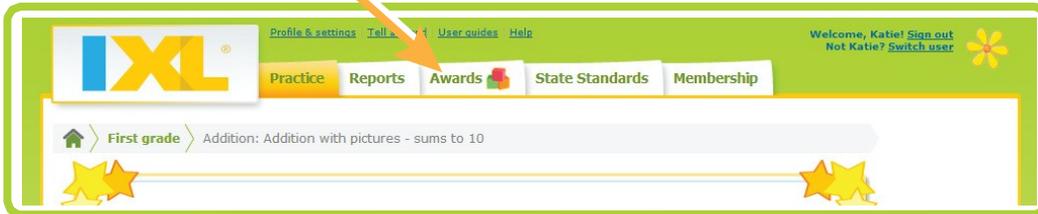
Earn a medal every time you master a skill. See all of your medals on the practice page for your grade, next to the names of the mastered skills.

## Congratulations!

Mastering a skill meets the first challenge on your IXL game board.

Follow the steps below to reveal your prize and learn more about the game board.

- 6 Click the **Awards** tab to go to your game board.



? As you practice, you'll know you've earned prizes when you see this message on your screen: "You have prizes to reveal! [Go to the game board.](#)"

## 8 Reveal your prize by clicking on the glowing star.

Each grade in IXL has its own game board, with a unique theme. Make sure you are viewing the game board for the grade you just practiced. Can you guess the theme?

**First grade**

Pre-K Kindergarten First **Second** Third Fourth Fifth Sixth Seventh Eighth All grades

What's under that square? Each square has a different challenge. Meet it, and you'll reveal a virtual prize. See how many you can discover!

**This is what's been keeping you busy**

You've earned	1 medal
You've answered	44 questions
You've practiced for	4 min
You've mastered	1 skill
You've revealed	0 prizes
Till your next win	1 minute 56 questions 2 skills

Practice more >>

Squares with glowing stars represent challenges you have completed! Click to reveal the prize hidden underneath the star.

? The more you practice, the cooler your prizes will be!

This panel summarizes your IXL accomplishments for this grade. As you practice, these numbers will go up and up!

? Love your prize? Make it your profile icon! Click and drag it to the top-right of the page, then hold it over your current icon and release your mouse button.

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## 9 Continue practicing to win more prizes!

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First grade

Pre-K Kindergarten First Second Third Fourth Fifth Sixth Seventh Eighth

What's under that square? Each square has a different challenge. Meet it, and you'll receive a prize.

You've earned 1 medal

You've revealed 1 prize

To uncover this square

Master 4 skills in the category:

[Fractions](#)

You haven't mastered any skills in this category yet.

Practice now >>

Practice more >>

Plain squares will turn into question marks when you've practiced enough to unlock more challenges.

Squares with question marks represent challenges you have unlocked. Hold your mouse over any of these squares to learn more about the challenge.

Links in a challenge will take you directly to the category so you can pick a skill to practice.

Or, click **Practice more** to go back to the full list of skills.

? Most challenges are based on practice time, number of questions attempted, and skills mastered. Try winning your next prize by practicing 5 minutes or answering 100 questions.

# Keep up the great work!

The more you practice, the more prizes you'll collect—and the better you'll be at math! How many skills can YOU master?