

Parent Information for IRead 3



What is IRead 3?

- IRead 3 is administered to all students enrolled in grades 2 and 3. IRead is also administered to students in grades 4–6 who have not yet passed IRead 3.
- IRead is designed *to measure foundational reading skills based on Indiana Academic Standards through grade three.*

When is IREAD administered?

- IREAD 3 will be administered March 4-5, 2024 for second grade students and March 6-7, 2024 for third grade students and fourth grade students who have not yet passed.
- A practice test will be administered the week of February 24, 2024.

What is assessed on IREAD 3?

- Based on the Indiana Academic Standards, IREAD 3 assesses foundational reading standards that begin in kindergarten and extend all the way through third grade.
- An item sampler and test blueprint can be found here:
 - [IREAD TEST BLUEPRINTS](#)
 - [IREAD RELEASED ITEMS](#)

Test Specifics

- IREAD 3 encompasses three sections that is administered in the span of two days.
- The reading sections include
 - Phonics and Vocabulary
 - Nonfiction
 - Literature

Blueprint

Part 1: Phonics and Vocabulary

Questions may include:

1. Identifying beginning, middle, and ending sounds
2. Identifying synonyms, antonyms, homographs, prefixes, and suffixes
3. Using context clues to determine the meaning of unknown words in texts
4. Identifying words with multiple meanings

Blueprint

Part 2: Nonfiction Text

Questions may include:

1. Making predictions about the text
2. Forming connections between ideas in the text
3. Identifying important information in the text such as problem & solution, the main idea, and cause & effect
4. Identifying the purpose of the text (persuade, inform, entertain)

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Part 3: Literature

Questions may include:

1. Comprehending a text enough to describe its story elements (characters, setting, plot, problem & solution).
2. Recognizing the text's theme and main idea
3. Sequencing story events from beginning to end

How can you help your child?

1. Read with your child every day
 - Ask questions about what they are reading!
2. Model reading for your child
3. Encourage your child to read chapter books and long reading passages
4. Use these online resources to prepare your child:
[Item Sampler](#) [Sample Items](#) (sign in as a guest)
[More practice](#)

FAQ

1. Which students are required to participate in IREAD in the spring?

All grade two and grade three students currently enrolled in an accredited Indiana school, including English learners (ELs) and students with disabilities, must participate in IREAD unless they previously received a passing score in grade two. Students in grades four and five who have not yet achieved a passing score must also participate in each retest opportunity.

FAQ

2. When will results be returned?

Parents will be informed about test results no later than early April.

3. What happens if my child does not pass IREAD 3?

Students will be given extra remediation at school. Students will also retake the test in May.

FAQ

4. If my child does not pass the summer retake, will they still promote to the next grade level?

Second graders will still be promoted to third grade if they do not pass the summer retake.

Third–sixth graders who have not passed the summer retake will be retained unless granted a good cause exemption.

FAQ

5. What is a GCE (good cause exemption)?

A GCE now serves to exempt an eligible student from retention if the student does not pass IREAD in grade three. GCEs cannot exempt students from participation in IREAD.

FAQ

6. Which students are eligible for a GCE?

- A student who has previously been retained in third grade;
- A student with an intellectual disability, whose Service Plan or case conference committee specifies that promotion to the next grade level is appropriate;
- A student who is an identified English learner (EL) who has received services for fewer than two years and has an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) committee that determines promotion to the next grade level is appropriate;
- A student who achieved a performance level of “Proficient” or “Above Proficient” on the third grade ILEARN Mathematics assessment; or
- A student who has received two or more years of intensive intervention in reading aligned to science of reading and was retained more than once during kindergarten, first grade, or second grade.

FAQ

7. Will my child have to take summer school if they do not pass IREAD 3?

Yes, students who need additional reading support after participating in the spring administration of IREAD in both second and third grade will have an opportunity to participate in a summer reading course. Course details will be forthcoming.

If you have any additional questions,
contact your child's teacher
or the school office!

