

Dear Washington Parents,

An optional way to prepare for taking a multi-choice test with above grade-level, challenging questions is to take the PARCC and ISAT practice tests online in grade levels above what he or she is presently enrolled. Although the PARCC and ISAT scores are not good indicators of giftedness, this practice will certainly prepare your child for higher level questions and multi-choice format.

Visit the following website to view practice PARCC and ISAT questions:

<http://rockingtheisat.blogspot.com/>
<http://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/>

For the Reading PACE test, here are fun sites to practice analogies:

<http://www.learninggamesforkids.com/vocabulary-games/analogies/analogy-lesson.html>
<http://www.learninggamesforkids.com/vocabulary-games/analogies/analogy-game.html>
<https://www.ixl.com/ela/grade-5/analogies>
http://www.quia.com/rr/151221.html?AP_rand=1489806986
http://www.quia.com/ba/71941.html?AP_rand=1546486138

*Also, you may elect to read a book that is above your child's reading level together. Discuss the vocabulary, characters, plot, setting, and more complex ideas, such as theme, symbolism, and use of figurative language.

For the Math PACE test, these websites test any skill:

<https://www.ixl.com/math/>
<https://www.khanacademy.org/>
<http://www.aaamath.com/>

*None of the websites require an account. Having one is optional and not necessary. Please note though, for IXL there is a daily limit of questions unless you have an account. For Khan Academy, you can access lessons and practice problems through the tab labeled "Subject" at the top, left of the home screen. This will bring a drop down menu where you can select "Math" and then grade level. Again, I would suggest picking some materials "on grade level" and then continue upwards.

**Additional information can be found through the district website under Departments > Student Learning > Gifted Education (left side bar menu). Searching any of the bulleted topics from "Level II Selection" should bring up additional information, as well as some examples.

<http://www.cusd200.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=143>

Best of luck!

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