

ISAT

Language Arts and Math
Grades 3rd-8th

— Science —
5th and 8th

Drawing for Practice!

Once a month Start in December
and last Drawing in February

\$15 IRI

\$15 ISAT

— \$50 For a Monthly draw for —
everyone who practices

ISAT

State Department of Education Assessment Site
sde.idaho.gov/assessment/isat-cas/

Information all in one. We will be breaking down different sites that you can get to from this link.

ISAT Portal

<https://idaho.portal.cambiumast.com/>

The screenshot shows the ISAT Portal website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Get Started, Resources, FAQs, Supported Browsers, and a link to Register for email updates. Below the navigation bar is a header with the IDAHO State Department of Education logo and a background image of mountains. The main content area is divided into several sections:

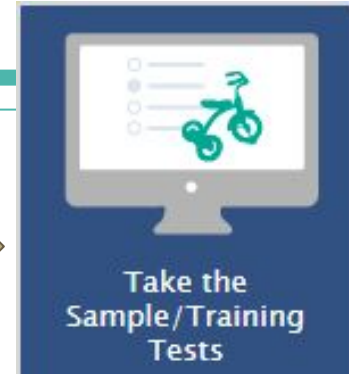
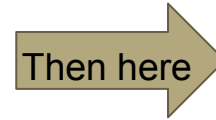
- Left Sidebar:** A vertical menu with five items: ELA/Literacy & Math Assessments, Science Assessments, Idaho Alternate Assessments, Technology Information, and Students & Families.
- Recent Announcements:** A section with a microphone icon. It contains two announcements:
 - new!** The *2020-2021 Interim Assessment Guide for Administration* is now available in the **Interim Assessments** resources section under the **ELA/Literacy** and **Math** sub-folders. This guide is intended for staff who play a role in the administration of, and review of results for, the Smarter Balanced interim assessments. *Added November 4, 2020*
 - new!** The *CAI Systems User Roles Chart and District Instructional Support (DIS) FAQ* are now available in the **Trainings and Systems Guides** resources section under the **Preparing for Testing** sub-folder. The chart provides an overview of the different Idaho assessment systems and the tasks and features different user roles can access within each system. As of today, Idaho's Assessment System has a new user role; District Instructional Support (DIS). The DIS role gives users access to "Tools for Teachers" and the Reporting site; this role was designed for statewide support who work across many districts (Capacity Builders, ELA/Literacy Coaches, Regional Mathematics Specialists, and Science Coaches). *Added November 2, 2020*
- Welcome!:** A section with a text block: "This site demonstrates the features that are available on the portals created by Cambium Assessment, Inc. to access the assessment systems." Below this text is a vertical stack of five green buttons with icons:
 - Important Dates** (calendar icon)
 - Contact Us** (phone icon)
 - TA Certification Course** (document icon)
 - Practice & Training Tests** (bicycle icon)
 - Secure Browsers** (shield icon)

Arrows in the screenshot point from the "Important Dates" button to the first announcement and from the "Practice & Training Tests" button to the second announcement.

- **Important Dates**
 - Good for information on when sample/practice tests, Interim tests, or the Spring ISAT is available.
- **Practice and Training Tests**
 - This is the direct link
- **Student and Families**
 - Resources and Sample Tests

Practice and Training Tests

From the
ISAT Portal
Link



- Make sure to click on the sample/practice test as they are a better representation to the test, are grade level specific, and have an answer key. The training test does not have an answer key.
 - Not proctored
- Questions from Previous ISAT exams or Questions that match standards that they will be tested on.

Please Sign In

ON


Guest User

Toggle to sign in as yourself

ON

Guest Session

Toggle to join an active session

 Run Diagnostics

Browser: Chrome v86






Sign In

**No Username or password
Just press Sign In**

Grade: 5

**Select Grade to bring up
test availability**

ISAT Sample Tests

 Start Grade 5 Science Sample Test This is opportunity 1 of 99	 Start Grade 5 ELA - Practice Test This is opportunity 1 of 99
 Start Grade 5 ELA - Practice Performance Task This is opportunity 1 of 99	 Start Grade 5 MATH - Practice Test This is opportunity 1 of 99
 Start Grade 5 MATH - Practice Performance Task This is opportunity 1 of 99	

- 2 Types of tests in ELA and Math:
 - 1) Computer Adaptive Test (CAT)- answer a question then the next will come up based on how they answered.
 - 2) The Performance Task- Story problem or reading and solving based test.
- 1 option for Science Sample test
- Multiple opportunities to retake and practice!

Choose Settings:

Review the following test settings. You can change the options, if necessary.

- Universal tools that all students have access to and by default they should all be on, but you can turn them off it would be a distraction
- These are designated supports for students that typically have a plan in place such as a IEP or 504 that specify these supports. By default will be off.



Supporting Tools for All Students

Such as color contrast, Highlighter, Line reader ect.



Supporting Literacy Challenges



Accommodating Auditory Impairments



Accommodating Visual Impairments



Miscellaneous Accommodations

Audio/Video Checks

Your test uses multi-media features. Please perform the following checks before continuing.

Audio Playback Check

Make sure audio playback is working.



To play the sample sound, press the speaker button.

Next Step:

If you heard the sound, choose **I heard the sound**. If not, choose **I did not hear the sound**.

I heard the sound

I did not hear the sound

After choosing your setting it will ask for a sound check. Play the sound and check whether you heard it or not. It will then lead you to a test info page where you can click begin test.

During the Practice Test:

- You will not be able to go back and access the answers your student chooses during the test/task. Ask your student to write their answers down as they go on a separate piece of paper (make sure they number them accordingly).
- You have access to an Answer key with the Questions Included (described on next slide).
- Have the student take this like a real test. Don't help them and make a good, quiet testing environment for them. If students are missing problems you can look to see what things you may want to add to your teaching to prepare them. Remember that these are past test questions or questions pertaining to the standards for that grade level. If you want a more realistic Test experience they can do an Interim Test. (Explained later)
- For example you may have taught them how to compare numbers, but have you taught them how to compare numbers as decimals or fractions/Mixed numbers



← First

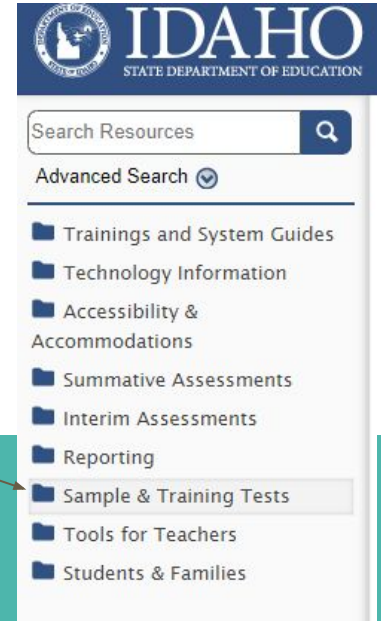
Answer Keys to the Practice Tests!!!

[From the ISAT Portal Link](#)

← Second



← Third



Student and Family Resources:

- Sample and Training Tests link will provide you with scoring guides or keys to the specific grade sample test.

Paper Based Practice ISAT Tests

- ★ Provided by your Mentor/TOR
- ★ Great if you want something to print out and practice the type of questions that may be asked per grade.
- ★ Comes with:
 - 3 comprehensive LA tests
 - 1 LA Performance task test
 - LA Assessment and Performance Task Teacher Guide
 - 2 Math assessments
 - Math Teacher Guide and Key

Sample Questions For ELA and Math ISATS

<http://sampleitems.smarterbalanced.org/BrowseItems?Subject=MATH&Grade=4>

The Sample Items are best used to inform your classroom instruction and your own assessment writing. They are sortable by grade level, content area, claim, and target. The questions are interactive, like on the test, and could also be used as discussion points for instruction. When you are looking at an item, the “About This Item” button shows detailed information about the item, the relevant standard, and the target description. I appreciate the “More Like This” button to see other related items. This is useful when you are looking for additional examples and forms of the question types used for the target. When item writing, additional examples for a specific claim and target can help you find the best wording for your intended outcome, and, while the item specifications do have the item stems (sentence frames), it helps to see them applied.

Interim Testing

Now-March 10th

- (Proctored) Official Practice test
 - Sign up with a testing coordinator in Harmony (Mentor/TOR can help you with step)
 - Requires a sign in
 - Provides a test and gives results as if they were to doing an actual ISAT. Most accurately mimics what the test will look like in the Spring. Same look and format.
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Clever or IXL

Clever gives Access to the ISAT Practice Tests (Same as in the ISAT Portal) in the District section. Imagine Math and Language arts and Literacy, Reading are standards based and can help with practice.

IXL.com is a great practice website for the ISAT. It has questions that are very similar. You will have to sign up for a free trial for your kids, but that's pretty easy.

Here are the steps to follow:

1. Go to IXL.com
 2. Click on membership
 3. Click on "Classrooms" then "Start a Trial"
 4. Fill out the information for a free 30-day IXL trial.
 5. Have access to IXL free for 30 days.
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Starting Smarter

<https://id.startingsmarter.org>

- Goes over how to read the student score report
- Links to information to explain what a student needs to know to answer certain types of questions and a snapshot of sample ISAT questions with answer.
 - Links to resources
 - Be a learning hero- clips, resource, modeling teaching, learning tools (academic(Links to free resources), social, and emotional)

Resources for PARENTS, Students & Teachers

Parents ISAT Resources

How to Read an ISAT Score Report

How to Read a Science ISAT Score Report

Words To Know! (used in ISAT testing)

Need more information or have questions???

Contact your mentor for more information or if you have any questions on the ISATS.

Dates and times for the ISAT will be sent to you through your email starting in January. The ISAT window will start 8 weeks before the end of school.