

Title: iXL-Math

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Questions	Yes	No	Comments/Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected</li></ul>	✓		
Did the software crash?		✓	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	✓		
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Color, items on the screen, sounds, ect.</li></ul>		✓	Just words on the homescreen
Is it easy to navigate?	✓		Easily find what you're looking for
Is it easy to learn?	✓		
Did the user need supervision to use it?	✓		May need help finding what specific think they need to work on
If the app required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)	✓		
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If so, do they enhance instead of detract?</li><li>• If not, should there be?</li></ul>		✓	Simple and to the point
Do you like using the app?	✓		
What was the cost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Was there a "lite" version?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ If so, was it enough?</li></ul></li></ul>		✓	Can sign in as a guest at no cost

Were there in-app purchases? • If so, what were the additional costs.	✓		Advanced pack- \$19.99
How does it compare to the other apps that do the same?			Not as kid friendly
Additional Comments			Organized by grade specific standards

### Developmentally Appropriate

Child Development and Learning • Subject Matter appropriate? • Educational Focus? • Provides for Learning New Content? • Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence?	✓		
Individual • Does it match individual's abilities? • Does it meet individual's needs?	✓		
Social/Cultural • Bias? • Commercialism Comments		✓	

iXL-Math was created by iXL Learning. It is on version 6.1.0. It can be used by kids (or adults) of all ages who need practice of certain math skills. The app

includes Pre-K through 8th grade as well as algebra, geometry, and calculus. You can either set up your own profile or continue as a guest- which is what I have been doing. The guest profile is free. In the app, you can purchase the advanced learning pack which includes literacy as well. This costs \$19.99. The app could be defined as drill/practice or discovery learning. The teacher could assign students to specific parts of the app to use as additional practice after learning a new topic. At home, a child could get on and pick a certain topic to learn since all skills are listed.

When opening up the app, you could choose to sign in with an account or continue as a guest. When in the actual app, it looks like it is set up like Common Core Standards (by domain, cluster, ect). I chose Kindergarten level skills. There are groups of skills lettered A-W. Within each group, you can choose different activities to practice each skill. For example, group A is labeled "Numbers and Counting up to 3". In that group you can find A.1 which is "Identifying Numbers up to 3" or A.6 which is "Count on Ten Frames up to 3". It is set up like this for every skill in every grade. At the top of the screen, you will find a search bar where you can look up a specific skill. In the upper right hand corner is the grade tab. After clicking it, a drop down menu of all different grades comes up. You can change grade levels here.

The app is very easy to navigate as it is organized by specific skills and grade level. iXL requires iOS 11 or later on Apple products. The only real color within the app is each skill is colored differently (A=orange, C=pink, E=yellow, ect.) Within each practice set there may be hints of color, but not much. There is no background noise. When you answer correctly, it gives you a "ding" with a message either saying "Good Job" or "Fantastic" or something along those lines. If you answer wrong, it just says "Incorrect", and it gives you a breakdown of the right answer. What I like about this app is the fact that it will read out explanations or directions. This is beneficial for children who aren't reading quite yet, or adults who have a disability and need a reader. Under the guest profile, there is only a certain number of times you can practice each day before it makes you stop. You have to sign in to practice more. In my classroom, it could be used for additional practice on a skill that was taught that day. Since there is a limited amount of times you can practice, it would have to be used sparingly. The reviews on the app are not the best, but as far as I have seen, the app fulfills its purpose and there is nothing wrong with it.