Dear Parents/Guardians of Students Entering Grade 8 in September 2021,

This summer, your child will continue to build a strong foundation in English Language Arts using IXL. Ten IXL skills in your child’s new grade level have been selected. For every assigned skill that your child earns a minimum SmartScore of 80 OR has attempted at least 25 questions, your child will earn one point.

In order to receive credit, students must turn it into their teacher no later than September 22, 2021.

The following Grade 8 skills have been assigned:

1. B.2 - Determine the themes of short stories
2. D.4 - Identify text structures
3. F.1 - Analyze short stories
4. G.1 - Read and understand informational passages
5. K.1 - Identify thesis statements
6. K.4 - Identify supporting details in informational text
7. W.1 - Find words using context
8. R.2 - Use words as clues to the meaning of Greek and Latin roots
9. Z.7 - Is it a complete sentence, a fragment, or a run-on?
10. AA.4 - Is the sentence a simple, compound, complex, or compound-complex?

You can access these skills at https://www.ixl.com/ela/grade-8

Your child can continue to use their current IXL login credentials. If you are unsure of these credentials, please contact your child’s Language Arts teacher before June 24.

Please make sure your child is logged in before he or she starts to work. Otherwise, his or her progress will not be saved nor will his or her new teacher be able to view it in September.

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