

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS) FOR TESTINGMOM.COM

#### 1. What does your site offer that I can't get for free elsewhere online?

If your child will be taking a state-required assessment or eligibility exam for admission into a gifted and talented program or private school, we offer more than 100,000 practice questions for the most commonly administered tests given for these purposes. This includes cognitive tests, intelligence tests and achievement tests.

While you may be able to find a handful of examples for certain tests posted on some sites, the tens of thousands of practice questions that TestingMom.com offers to our members are modeled after the actual tests administered. We give you comprehensive coverage of all the skills assessed in each test, which you won't get by relying on free sample questions you'll find online. We're constantly updating our site with fresh questions and adding new tests as they become available, so keep checking back for new practice questions after you've begun your membership. Our site also features hundreds of thousands of practice questions for the challenging state tests (including Common Core tests) that could determine whether or not your child is able to advance to the next grade at the end of the current school year.

We also offer a variety of exclusive games that you won't find in schools or anywhere else online that are designed to help your child learn the underlying skills needed for school and testing success in a way that's both fun and interactive. These games will keep your child entertained for hours on end while preparing for critical gifted and talented eligibility exams, private school admissions, and other standardized tests.

Finally, we offer a wide array of skill-building programs designed to keep your child investing in learning long after the test is over. These partner programs from some of the biggest names in education (like Scholastic, World Book, Britannica and more!) cover subjects ranging from reading to math, introductory coding to financial literacy, physical activities to keep your child's mind and body equally active, plus science, social studies and all of the State Standards (including Common Core). Purchasing individual memberships to these programs on your own would cost well over \$500 per year, but our Skill Building Academy features access to 35+ programs included with your TestingMom.com membership.

# 2. Can you guarantee that my child will pass the test if we use your program's practice materials?

Since every testing situation is slightly different, we cannot guarantee that using our practice materials will produce the desired test results for your child. We offer materials that parents can use to help a child prepare for specific tests or assessments; however, you, the *parent*, are responsible for practicing with your



child in ways that will maximize your child's chances of success. Since 2010, students with yearly memberships who followed our 5-step <u>TestingMom.com</u> <u>S.C.O.R.E. System™</u> saw the highest overall test score improvements and earned more A's in school. In our program, you will have access to training for the S.C.O.R.E System, which you can follow to help your child make his or her best possible score.

## 3. After I join, where should I look for the practice questions my child needs to use for a particular test?

Simply sign into your TestingMom.com account and select all the tests, skills and grade levels that apply to create your child's individualized learning program. Once you've made your selections, click the "submit" button. You'll then be redirected to your home page with a header that reads "HERE IS THE PROGRAM THAT YOU CREATED:" in green text.



Below that, you'll see a blue bar with the name of each test you chose while creating your child's program with three subsections: "Practice Questions," "Practice Games" and "Lessons for Parents." Click the relevant "Practice Questions" tab and you'll be redirected to a page listing all the practice questions we currently offer for that test.



Scroll down to see each set of practice questions listed by grade, type and skill level (these are password-protected PDF documents you can print out at home; if interactive questions are available, you'll see a blue "Digital Tutor" text link near the top of the page).



#### Verbal

Information — Set 1 — 50 questions (ages 2:6 to 3:11) PASSWORD: info1
Information — Set 2 — 55 questions (ages 4:0 to 7:7) PASSWORD: info1
Information — Set 3 — 60 questions (ages 4:0 to 7:7) PASSWORD: info1
Information — Set 4 — 140 questions (ages 4:0 to 7:7) PASSWORD: info1
Information — Set 4 — 140 questions (ages 2:6 to 7:7) PASSWORD: info1
Vocabulary — 298 questions PASSWORD: vocab1
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Comprehension — 160 questions (ages 4:0 to 7:7) PASSWORD: comp1
Similarities — 170 questions (ages 2:6 to 7:7) PASSWORD: similar1

- Pattern Blocks 100 questions To practice for pattern block questions, work with our printable practice tiles. CLICK HERE to print your own practice tiles.
   Also, play Space Baby Puzzles to build skills for this subtest. CLICK HERE TO PLAY. We recommend using both items to prepare.
   Object Assembly 15 questions PASSWORD: object!

#### Fluid Reasoning

- Matrix Design 50 questions PASSWORD: matrix1
   Picture Concepts 50 questions PASSWORD: picture1

### 4. Are practice questions available as soon as I join?

Yes, questions are available immediately after you've finished creating your child's individualized program. As soon as you join, we recommend that you click the green bar for our Parent Resource Center and then watch the very short Site Orientation video. This will show you how to find any practice questions, test prep games or whatever else you want immediate access to on our site.

Parent Resources: Great tips, info and more to help you unleash your child's full potential!



Site Orientation

### 5. Can I print out the practice questions for my child at home?

Yes! You can also open each set of questions online by entering the password for that particular PDF document and then having your child point to the answer choices shown on your computer or tablet's screen as you go through the questions together. We suggest doing some practice questions online together as well as printing some out so your child can get used to answering them using the traditional pencil and paper method. Variety keeps it interesting for your child, so don't forget that all TestingMom.com memberships include access to a variety of online games that let your child practice in a way that's both fun and interactive. We are in the process of removing passwords to make the practice question documents more easily viewable and printable for our members.



PRACTICE QUESTIONS FOR:

#### **AABL® - Admissions Assessment for Beginning Learners®**

#### **O PRACTICE QUESTIONS**











#### 6. What grade levels are covered in the practice questions your site offers?

TestingMom.com features practice questions for the tests most commonly given to students from pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

# 7. What's the difference between the Top 1% Fast Track, Ace the Test and T.O.T. membership packages?

To see each membership package in detail, click the orange "Buy Now" button in the upper-right corner of our site's home page. Below is an overview of what's included at each membership level.

#### Top 1% Fast Track memberships include instant access to:

- Over 100,000 practice questions for the most popular tests (both online and in printable formats)
- Our Kindergarten Readiness Program
- Over three dozen partner educational programs available through our Skill Building Academy
- · Exclusive discounts on items purchased in our online store
- Interactive learning games, activities and fun exercises
- · One membership covers every child in your family

#### Ace the Test memberships include instant access to:

- Everything listed in the Top 1% Fast Track membership
- Monthly parent <u>S.C.O.R.E. System™</u> training calls with Karen Quinn, The Testing Mom, which include live Q&A sessions so you can ask your most pressing test prep and school admissions questions



#### T.O.T. (Talented Ones and Twos) memberships include instant access to:

- Everything listed in the Top 1% Fast Track membership
- Monthly parent T.O.T. training calls with Karen Quinn, The Testing Mom, which
  include live Q&A sessions so you can ask your most pressing early childhood
  questions
- For all you highly involved parents who want to give your babies and/or toddlers a head start on school and testing readiness through natural, playbased learning activities at home

### 8. If I sign up at one membership level but want to upgrade later on, how does that work?

If you want to upgrade to a higher membership package, sign into TestingMom.com and click "My Account" at the top of the page. Then, click the blue text link that says "To Cancel or Upgrade Your Membership, Click Here." Select the new membership level you want and fill in all the billing information fields. We'll adjust your payment accordingly, so don't worry! Please let us know after you've upgraded to a higher membership level by emailing <a href="mailto:help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a>.

#### 9. How long should I spend doing practice questions with my child each day?

For younger children, you should start by practicing about 10 minutes a day and gradually build up to 30 minutes. When your child is closer to the testing date, you want to be sure he or she can focus on doing practice test questions (or another educational activity) for up to an hour without stopping, because that's the typical length of most tests. For older children (students in third grade and above), you can do practice questions together for up to half an hour each day.

We recommend that you start by working with questions that are below your child's grade level. This gives him or her confidence, plus many harder questions build on concepts mastered through easier ones. Then, work with questions at your child's grade level. Then, work with questions one year beyond your child's grade level if he or she can do them without frustration. Many gifted tests do ask questions beyond a child's grade level so it is important that your child be able to handle some harder questions in order to qualify.



### 10. What does your program offer besides practice questions that can help my child do well on tests and in school?

In addition to practice questions you can print out and use at home as well as interactive ways to practice in Digital Tutor, signing up for a <a href="TestingMom.com">TestingMom.com</a> <a href="TestingMom.com">membership</a> gives you access to:

- Over three dozen partner educational programs accessible through our Skill Building Academy to build your child's underlying skills in math, reading, ELA, science, social studies, visual-spatial reasoning, spelling and sequencing patterns, as well as learning fundamental skills that aren't taught in schools, like keyboarding, chess, financial literacy skills, introductory-level programming, creating digital media presentations, public radio programs curated especially for kids, physical activities to keep mind and body equally active during study breaks, and much more!
- Ways to practice with your child on-the-go anywhere, anytime by downloading our fun Test Quest App on your mobile device (iOS and Android) or accessing the daily emailed practice test questions directly from your phone or tablet.
- Our exclusive online games you won't find in any school designed to instill the seven abilities kids need to master for most cognitive tests, including IQ Fun Tree, Planet Pattern Tiles, Pattern Tile Galaxy, Pattern Puzzlers, Folding Questions and Pattern Blast! Once your child's done playing, your child can use our Space Baby Creator to customize a cartoon treehouse by decorating it and his or her Space Baby with fun accessories and prizes.
- Ace the Test and T.O.T. members enjoy monthly live training calls with Karen Quinn, The Testing Mom, where they can review techniques and steps in the <u>TestingMom.com S.C.O.R.E. System™</u> to help their children prepare for an upcoming test or early childhood skills.
- Live events are held throughout the year in cities like Chicago, Houston, NYC ... and your city could be next! If you'd like us to research hosting a parenting seminar to go over the gifted and talented testing and admissions process in your area, simply email <a href="help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> to submit your suggestion. If a city or region near you shows enough demand, we'll let you know when we'll be hosting a parent education seminar in your area so you can meet us in person and participate in our live Q&A session to help guide you through your school district's available gifted and talented programs and admissions processes. We love meeting our customers and helping them in any way we can!



• If your child is aged 2-7, we highly recommend using our <a href="IQ Fun Pack">IQ Fun Pack</a>
game with your child — it's a test prep kit cleverly disguised as a children's board game! With its double-sided game board plus more activities found on the back of the box, your child will enjoy endless hours of gameplay that makes learning feel effortless. All yearly members at every package level automatically save \$100 off the usual price when ordering <a href="IQ Fun Pack">IQ Fun Pack</a> in our store.

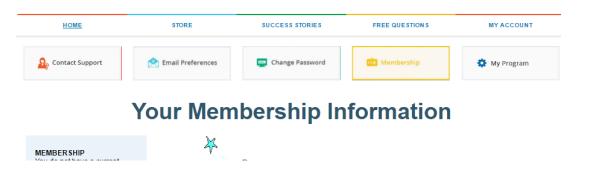


- Throughout the year, we send our members a variety of promotional offers from our educational partners, exclusive discounts, invitations to informative expert-led webinars and giveaways that you can't get anywhere else online. We value our members and want to ensure every child has an opportunity to succeed, but we're also focused on what happens after your child aces the test so providing members with ongoing learning tools and activities, parenting support, expert advice, and community resources are all part of the TestingMom.com mission.
- All <u>paid membership packages</u> include an invitation to join our exclusive closed Facebook group, <u>Educated Parenting with TestingMoms and Dads</u>. We know that parents value privacy above all else, so once you join, you can relax knowing your posts, comments and poll responses won't be visible to anyone outside of the group. To join and connect with the 400+ member parents already there, <u>send us a membership request</u>. Then, click "Join Group" in the upper-right corner and we'll approve your request within one business day.



#### 11. I'd like to cancel my TestingMom.com membership. How should I proceed?

To cancel your membership, simply sign into TestingMom.com and click on "My Account" at the top of the page. Then click the yellow "Membership" button near the top of your screen and then follow the prompts on the following pages to let us know why you'd like to cancel at this time. Once you've completed all the steps, you'll receive a confirmation email letting you know you've completed the cancellation process and the last date you'll be able to access the program materials our site (if applicable).



#### 12. If I have a technical issue with the website, what should I do?

Send us an email at <a href="mailto:help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> or call 877-609-6203. We're online seven days per week and typically respond to customer requests within one business day. Be sure to tell us what device, browser and OS you're currently using and include screenshots of the issue whenever possible. These details can help us find and fix your issue even faster!

### 13. If I have questions about my current membership or the different types of packages that are available, what should I do?

Send an email to <a href="https://help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> or call 877-609-6203. You can also visit the <a href="https://help.com/Buy Now">Buy Now</a> page and if a chat window appears in the lower-left corner of your screen, one of our testing experts who's currently available and happy to answer all of your questions.

# 14. If I have a question about a particular test, or if I don't know what test will be administered in my school district, what should I do?

Email your questions to us at <a href="https://help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> and be sure to include a phone number and good time to call you back when it's convenient. For most questions, we'll respond via email within one business day; if we need additional information or you have several questions and prefer to speak with one of our testing experts about your child's unique situation, we'll call you at the preferred time and phone number given so we can answer all of your questions.



# 15. I'm not sure if you have practice questions for a particular test that my child will be taking this school year. How do I find out?

Here is a list of the tests for which we currently offer preparation. We are always adding new tests to that list! If you don't see the test you are looking for, no problem! Just write to us at <a href="mailto:help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> and we'll let you know if we can help you with the test you want. Be sure to include your child's age and current grade and we'll respond to your email within one business day.



AABL® - Admissions Assessment for Beginning Learners® BSRA™ - Bracken School Readiness Assessment™ CCAT™ - Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test™ Chicago - CPS Test CogAT® - Cognitive Abilities Test™ - Form 6 CogAT® - Cognitive Abilities Test™ - Form 7 CTBS™ Test - Canadian Test of Basic Skills™ CTP® - ERB Test Fairfax County AAP Testing Houston G&T Testing ISEE® - ERB Test ITBS® - Iowa Test of Basic Skills® KBIT™-2 - Kaufman Brief Intelligence Test™-2 Kindergarten Readiness (for Preschoolers) NNAT®-2 and 3 - Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test®-Second and Third Editions NYC Gifted Testing (G&T and Hunter) NYC Private School OLSAT® - Otis-Lennon School Ability Test®, Eighth Edition Prep for Prep RIAS™ - Reynolds Intellectual Assessment Scales™ Raven's Matrices™ - Raven's Standard Progressive Matrices™ SAGESTM-2 SCAT - School and College Ability Test SSAT® - Secondary School Admission Test® Stanford-Binet®-5 - Stanford-Binet Intelligence Scales®, Fifth Edition TerraNova®, Third Edition TTCT® - Torrance Tests of Creative Thinking® WASI™ - Wechsler Abbreviated Scale of Intelligence™ WIAT®-III - Wechsler Individual Achievement Test®-III WISC®-IV - ECAA Test WISC®-V - ECAA Test WNV™ - Wechsler Nonverbal Scale of Ability™ Woodcock-Johnson® III Tests of Achievement Woodcock-Johnson® IV Tests of Achievement WPPSI™-III - ECAA Test WPPSI™-IV - ECAA Test Writing Assessment

16. What if my child is taking a test that you don't offer practice questions for on TestingMom.com? Is it worth it to practice using questions from a different test than the one my child will be taking, or not?

If your child is taking a test that we don't currently have listed on our site, send an email to <a href="https://example.com">help@testingmom.com</a> letting us know your child's age, current grade, which state you live in and the name of the test that will be administered. There are hundreds of tests that schools may choose for assessing children, and there's also a lot of overlapping material and/or similarities between many of the questions on



these tests. If we don't have practice questions for the specific test your child will be taking, we can usually tell you which ones we do offer that can help your child get ready for the test that cover very similar (if not identical) material. If we don't have the right practice questions to help your child prepare, we'll tell you that as well.

#### 17. How far in advance should I start doing practice questions with my child?

Ideally, you should start practicing 6 months to a year before your child will be taking the test. By using our practice questions, many parents discover their child's unique weaknesses and strengths in a particular area and can work on building up any skills that need improvement. Some kids struggle with math questions, others with reading or visual-spatial reasoning. Some children don't listen to the question and ask for it to be repeated (and proctors usually aren't allowed to repeat them during a testing session). By starting your test preparation routine well in advance, you'll have plenty of time to work on building any underlying ability that's giving your child trouble.

Our Parent Resource Center is full of ideas, tips and expert resources to help focus your test prep based on your child's particular needs, and we strongly urge you to listen to the recordings and download the worksheets found in our <a href="Ace the Test">Ace the Test</a>
<a href="Training section">Training section</a>. This will teach you the S.C.O.R.E. System, which, if you follow it, will give your child the best chance to succeed on the upcoming test.



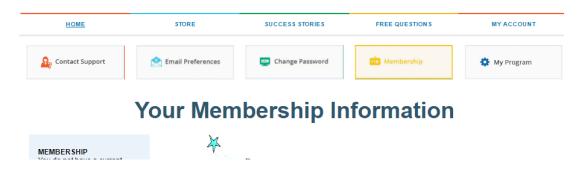
If you have just a week or two to get prepared before the test is scheduled, you can still get an idea of what kinds of questions will be asked so your child will know what to expect on test day. Work with your child up to an hour per day, but no more. Try to make it a bonding experience that makes practice time feel special and schedule it for a time when your child is able to focus without any distractions, like on the



commute home from school, during breakfast, or even while your child is taking a bath. These are all suggestions from parents who've told us what worked for their child, so now, we're passing ideas on to you!

18. I just found out my child is being tested next week and I only have a few days to prepare. Is it still worth it to join TestingMom.com?

It's always helpful for your child to be more familiar with the types of questions that will appear a particular test. We recommend you sign up for a <a href="TestingMom.com">TestingMom.com</a> one-month membership and practice 10-15 minutes daily using the test practice questions found on our site. Make sure to cancel your membership once the test is over by following the steps outlined on this page.



19. I'm using your resources to prepare my child for the test. There are many different documents for the test my child is preparing for listed on your site; do I need to use all of them, and if so, what's the best order for me to start practicing with them in?

We recommend you start practicing at least 6 months before your child is tested by working for a few minutes each day (10-15 should be enough, but you can work up to 30 minutes – no more than an hour of practice a day is recommended). If you're short on time and not sure if you can get through all the material, we suggest focusing on the types of questions or skills your child's having the most difficulty mastering. If your child seems to fully understand one concept, there's no need to continue practicing with every question for it; instead, move on to the next type of question and really focus on any subjects or types of questions that seem to be more challenging. You're always welcome to email <a href="help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> if you need additional guidance in where to focus your test prep energy given the time you have to prepare.

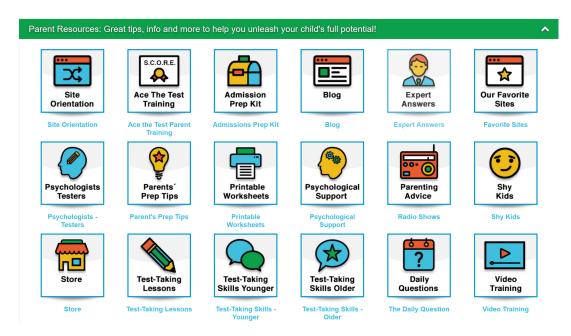


### 20. Do you offer any free trial memberships on TestingMom.com?

No, we don't offer free trial memberships on TestingMom.com. If you aren't sure whether you're ready to commit to a quarterly or yearly membership, we recommend purchasing a monthly membership instead. If you find that you love our service (and we're sure that you will!), you can always upgrade to a longer-term membership plan. When you decide to upgrade, your last monthly payment will be applied towards the new membership's price.

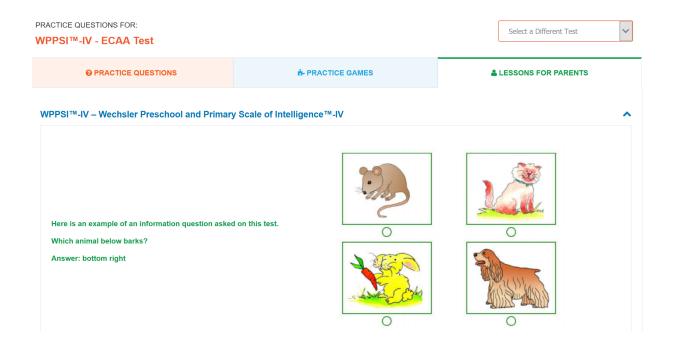
### 21. Do you offer any in-person tutoring services?

If you live in NYC, we can recommend independent tutors that we know can help your child prepare for the tests given there. Otherwise, we don't offer any online or in-person tutoring services. Our site's designed to equip you, the parent, with all the tools you need to help your child achieve testing success. However, we do offer great tips, expert advice, informative articles, videos and more in our Parent Resource Center, which is designed to help you unleash your child's full potential!



Every practice test also includes a section called "Lessons For Parents." These lessons will help explain which types of questions are given during the test and how to teach your child the underlying skills needed to earn the highest possible test score. All Top 1% Fast Track, Ace the Test and T.O.T. members can email our team of testing experts directly at <a href="help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a>. We'll respond to most emailed requests within one business day.





# 22. If my child has a question, can they call someone at TestingMom.com for help/advice?

We do not offer any tutoring services for children, nor will we be able to assist your child if they call us needing help with a practice test question. With your Top 1% Fast Track, Ace the Test or T.O.T membership, you, the parent, can always email us directly at <a href="help@testingmom.com">help@testingmom.com</a> for help or advice. If your child's circumstance is particularly complex or unique, we highly recommend purchasing a private phone consultation with either Karen Quinn, The Testing Mom, or Michael McCurdy, the NYC Gifted and Talented Testing Expert. Both Karen and Michael have years of experience working with parents just like you who want their child to get access to the best possible schools and educational programs, and they'll be able to give you the most appropriate advice regarding your situation.

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