



## 2023 Summer Math and Grammar Assignment

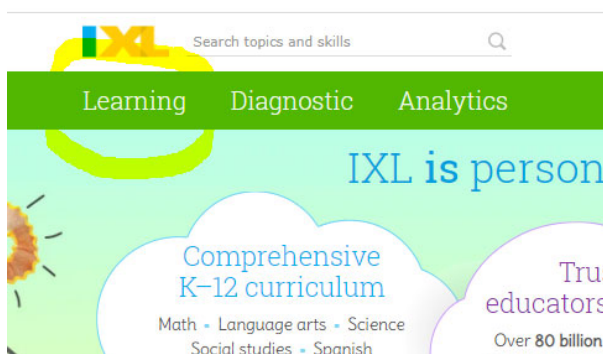
Dear Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Families,

Summer is upon us again. Studies show that children need reinforcement of learned skills over the summer. The summer assignment is 20 math skills and 20 grammar skills from the “SUMMER BOOST SKILLS PLAN” located in your ixl.com account. You may work at your own pace, but the preferred method is to practice a little each day. There is no need to keep a paper record of your ixl.com practice. Your teacher has access to your progress.

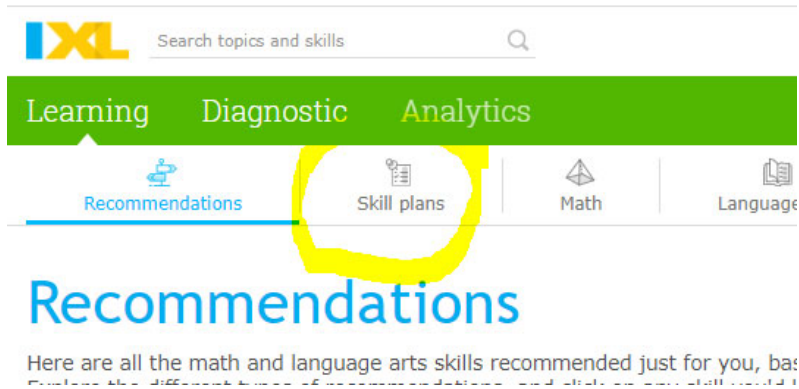
This assignment will be your first graded math assignment for the 2023-24 school year. If you are unable to complete this assignment due to summer plans, you **MUST** have a parent communicate with the school. An alternate assignment will be given.

### How to Access you Summer Assignment:

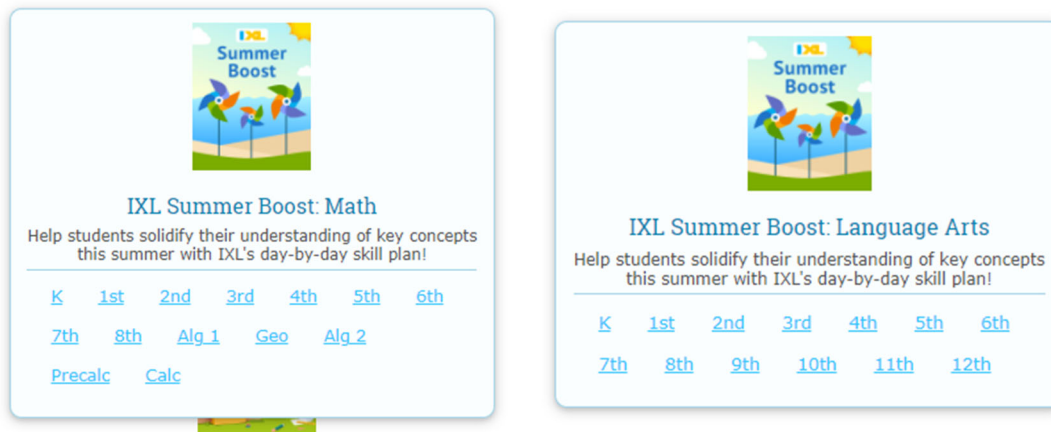
1. Go to <https://www.IXL.com>
2. Enter your username and password in the upper right corner and click the button to sign in.
3. From the home page, click on the “LEARNING” tab.



4. From the “Learning” tab, click on “SKILL PLANS.”



5. From the Skill Plans, Select “IXL SUMMER BOOST: MATH” or “IXL SUMMER BOOST: LANGUAGE ARTS.” **Select 7<sup>th</sup> Grade.**



6. During the summer, complete each of the skills with a Smartscore of 80 or higher. If you already have a Smartscore for one of the sections, complete 10 practice problems to receive credit for the section.

I hope you will use IXL regularly this summer and I look forward to seeing you in the fall!

Sincerely,

Blessed Sacrament Language Arts and Math Teachers

## SUMMER WORK RISING 7TH GRADE 2023

You will all read the same two books this summer. The first combines a true story with science, world history, geology, sports and religion - Wowzers!

### *All Thirteen*

*The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team* by Christina Soontornvat

It's a physically beautiful book and an amazing story that will keep you turning the pages. And, I will admit to shedding a tear or two.

When you are finished, **you will write a Feature Story for *The Washington Post*** on the events. You may pick any aspect - the boys, the coach, the rescuers, the cave - to focus on. Start from the premise that your readers know a little bit about the story - it was in the news a ton, but now that you have all the information, you can highlight the human interest side of the story - make it interesting and give people new insights beyond the fact that a soccer team was trapped in a cave for two weeks.

In order to understand what a feature story is you will have to read a few - they usually appear at the bottom of the front page of a section of the newspaper or even the main story on the Style section of The Post. They give the reader a glimpse of the human side of the news.

**Your story should be 2-3 pages typed, 12 point font, Time New Roman, double spaced. You may use quotes from the book - but they must be cited by page number.**

***BOOK TWO ASSIGNMENT ON BACK***

**The second book** is a really fun mystery that will keep you guessing and in suspense.

*And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie. If you tell me next August 28th that you had it figured out before the end - I won't believe you. ;)

**Create a Google Slide Presentation that includes:**

1. Novel name and author (one slide)
2. An annotated passage for literary devices (metaphor, simile, personification, sensory imagery)
3. A character from the story - give 3 adjectives to describe him/her and support with text evidence with page numbers(three slides - one for each adjective)
4. 3 turning points in the story with page numbers - Explain how the character or plot line changes at that point

**ALL SLIDES MAY HAVE ILLUSTRATIONS FOR INTEREST**

**PLEASE CONTINUE YOUR PERSONAL STUDY PLAN AND/OR SUMMER BOOST  
IN IXL FOR READING AND LANGUAGE USAGE.**