Cognitive Abilities Sample Questions

To qualify for gifted programs, specific types of assessments are used and are usually norm-referenced assessments which measure the skills and abilities most directly related to academic success. A reliable Cognitive Skills Index (CSI) is derived from five sub-tests that assess the following cognitive areas:

- Verbal Reasoning—Words
- Verbal Reasoning—Context
- Sequences
- Analogies
- Quantitative Reasoning

These tests present students with innovative items that assess skills such as understanding verbal and quantitative concepts and analyzing and comprehending relationships between verbal and nonverbal stimuli. They are also standardized to include students with disabilities and to provide age- and grade-appropriate normative data.

In order to be eligible for participation in the Magnet and T.A.D programs all students must attain a qualifying score.

Sample Test Questions

Verbal Reasoning—Words Sample

warm		cold	freezing
В	fire		
c	heat		

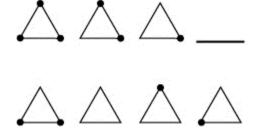
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Verbal Reasoning—Context Sample

Alice likes all of her teachers. Mrs. Lee is Alice's teacher.

- O Alice likes school.
- O Mrs. Lee likes Alice.
- O Alice likes Mrs. Lee.
- O Mrs. Lee likes teaching.

Sequences Sample



Analogies Sample



Quantitative Reasoning Sample

Find the grid with the most black area.







