



# Information for Families About the I AM Assessment

*“Educator-Created; Student-Centered”*



## 1. What is I AM?

Indiana’s Alternate Measure (I AM) is an accountability assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities in grades 3–8 and high school. I AM measures student achievement according to Indiana’s Alternate Academic Standards or Content Connectors. Indiana educators are involved in each stage of developing I AM assessments.



## 2. When do students begin taking I AM?

I AM assessments will be administered during the spring of the school year to students in grades 3–8 and high school as a single testing window. I AM assessments are untimed and delivered in a one-on-one setting with a classroom educator.

Subject	Grade(s)
I AM English Language Arts	Grades 3–8 and 10
I AM Mathematics	Grades 3–8 and 10
I AM Science	Grades 4, 6, and high school
I AM Social Studies	Grade 5

*Final scoring information for all grades will be available by July 1 for this school year.*



## 3. How is I AM delivered?

I AM is a stage-adaptive assessment administered in two parts. In a stage-adaptive test, the student’s answers help determine the next group of items the student receives, building the test in parts.

In Part One, a placement test is administered to all students to determine the student’s general level of performance. In Part Two, a more targeted test is administered to the student based on their performance in Part One.



## 4. How does the online system impact students?

I AM assessments are primarily delivered online. The online testing system offers several accessibility features to accommodate students, including:

- Zoom in and zoom out for text and graphics
- Text-to-speech capabilities
- Strikethrough
- Calculator
- Expandable passages and items
- Color contrast
- Masking
- Mouse pointer (size and color)
- Print size
- Translation-Spanish (Stacked) for Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies (for English learners)
- Highlighting text
- Integration with assistive technology



## 5. What else should I know about I AM?

I AM items are all multiple choice. I AM results indicate how your child is performing on the Content Connectors and determines areas in which your child requires more support to accomplish his or her learning goals.

**Visit the following resources for more information on I AM assessments:**

- **Indiana I AM website**  
<https://www.in.gov/doe/students/assessment/i-am/>
- **Indiana Portal**  
<https://iam.portal.cambiumast.com/>

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