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	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Grade level at test time	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5
Reading	2.1	2.9	4.0	6.6	6.1	6.6	8.7	9.8
Eng. / Language	2.0	2.9	4.0	7.6	6.6	6.8	9.3	10.1
Math	1.9	2.9	3.9	6.5	5.9	6.7	8.7	9.2
CORE TOTAL	1.9	2.8	3.9	6.9	6.2	6.6	9.0	9.5
Social Studies	N/A	3.2	4.0	6.7	6.9	7.0	10.4	10.1
Science	N/A	3.4	4.2	7.7	6.6	6.6	8.9	9.0
COMPOSITE	1.9	3.0	3.9	7.0	6.4	6.7	9.2	9.6

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The following table shows the national grade equivalency for 2023, and their growth over one year from January 2022 to January 2023 when these tests were taken. The general goal is to see a gain in years of 1.1 which can be difficult to achieve if the grade equivalency is quite high the previous year.

2023 Iowa Assessments						
Grade Level	Grade Equivalency Last Year	Grade Equivalency This Year	Gain in Years			
2	1.7 (as 1st grader)	3.0	1.3			
3	3.2 (as 2 nd grader)	3.9	0.7			
4	4.7 (as 3 rd grader)	7.0	2.3			
5	5.8 (as 4th grader)	6.4	0.6			
6	6.0 (as 5th grader)	6.7	0.7			
7	7.5 (as a 6th grader)	9.2	1.7			
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Eng. / Language	1.7	3.1	5.0	6.2	6.0	7.9	8.2	8.7
Math	1.7	3.2	4.4	5.6	5.7	6.9	8.6	9.2
CORE TOTAL	1.7	3.1	4.6	5.9	5.8	7.3	8.4	8.9
Social Studies	N/A	3.2	4.5	5.9	6.6	8.2	8.8	9.7
Science	N/A	3.1	5.5	5.7	6.3	7.4	8.1	9.5
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The following table shows the national grade equivalency for 2022, and their growth over one year from January 2021 to January 2022 when these tests were taken. The general goal is to see a gain in years of 1.1 which can be difficult to achieve if the grade equivalency is quite high the previous year.

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Grade Level	Grade Equivalency Last Year	Grade Equivalency This Year	Gain in Years			
2	1.8 (as 1st grader)	3.2	1.4			
3	3.7 (as 2 nd grader)	4.7	1.0			
4	4.0 (as 3 rd grader)	5.8	1.8			
5	5.7 (as 4th grader)	6.0	0.3			
6	6.2 (as 5th grader)	7.5	1.3			
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Eng. / Language	1.9	3.5	4.1	6.0	6.8	7.9	7.3	13+
Math	1.8	3.9	3.8	5.1	5.4	7.7	8.1	11.7
CORE TOTAL	1.8	3.7	3.9	5.4	6.0	7.6	7.5	13+
Social Studies	N/A	3.9	4.4	6.2	6.5	8.1	8.0	13+
Science	N/A	4.0	4.8	6.2	5.9	8.0	7.8	12.2
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The following table shows the national grade equivalency for 2021, and their growth over one year from January 2020 to January 2021 when these tests were taken (the COVID year). The general goal is to see a gain in years of 1.1 which can be difficult to achieve if the grade equivalency is quite high the previous year.

2021 Iowa Assessments						
Grade Level	Grade Equivalency Last Year	Grade Equivalency This Year	Gain in Years			
2	2.1 (as 1st grader)	3.7	1.6			
3	3.2 (as 2 nd grader)	4.0	0.8			
4	4.0 (as 3 rd grader)	5.7	1.7			
5	6.0 (as 4th grader)	6.2	0.2			
6	6.7 (as 5th grader)	7.8	1.1			
7	6.9 (as a 6th grader)	7.6	0.7			
8	10.3 (as a 7th grader)	<i>13</i> +	2.7			

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Math	2.0	3.0	3.8	5.4	5.8	6.8	9.7	10.7
CORE TOTAL	2.1	3.0	4.0	6.0	6.4	7.0	10.1	11.5
Social Studies	N/A	3.4	4.2	6.0	7.4	7.3	10.1	11.5
Science	N/A	3.4	4.2	6.1	7.2	6.4	10.4	12.6
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6	6.0 (as 5th grader)	6.9	0.9				
7	8.4 (as a 6th grader)	10.3	1.9				
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Math	1.7	2.8	3.5	6.2	5.4	8.2	8.8	13+
CORE TOTAL	1.8	2.9	3.8	6.6	5.9	8.5	9.2	13+
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2019 Iowa Assessments							
Grade Level	Grade Equivalency Last Year	Grade Equivalency This Year	Gain in Years				
2	1.8 (as 1st grader)	3.1	1.3				
3	3.2 (as 2 nd grader)	4.0	0.8				
4	4.5 (as 3rd grader)	6.6	2.1				
5	6.2 (as 4th grader)	6.0	-0.2				
6	7.8 (as 5th grader)	8.4	0.6				
7	8.4 (as a 6th grader)	9.8	1.4				
8	12.7 (as a 7th grader)	13+	0.3				