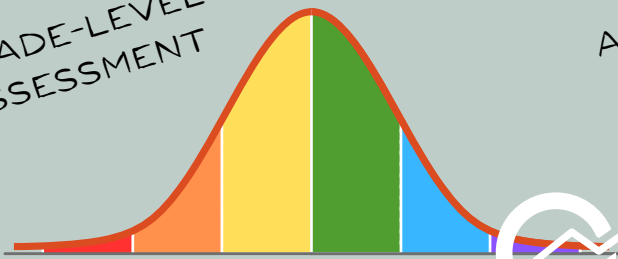


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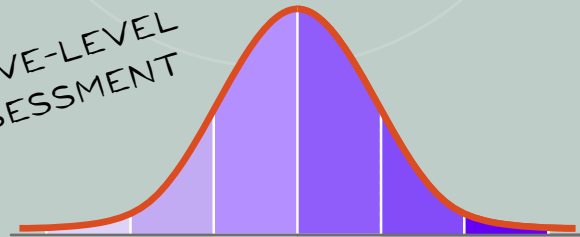
The IAR is Baylor TIP's Above-level assessment. What does that mean?

GRADE-LEVEL ASSESSMENT



On a typical grade-level assessment, high-achieving students are clustered at the top of the score distribution.

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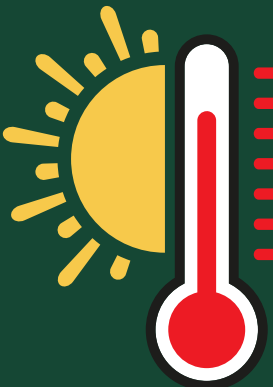


An above-level assessment includes questions that are much more difficult. By giving students test questions that are two to four years above their current grade level, it is possible to gain a better understanding of how far advanced the student is.

What is an "8th-grade" level question?

For most standardized college readiness assessments, an "8th-grade" level question is one that is answered correctly by 50% of 8th-grade students.

What if your outdoor thermometer only measured up to 100 degrees? In Texas, you wouldn't know just how hot it was on many summer days! Although you may never see temperatures of 120 degrees, a higher ceiling is needed to accurately measure those really hot days! (Your plants want you to know!) Similarly, an above-level test includes content that only a handful of students may have mastered. The ceiling is intentionally high to capture our academic outliers.



The average high school college-bound junior gets about 50% of the questions correct on college readiness assessments.

Students should **expect** to see content that they have never seen before. Successful Baylor TIP scholars have answered less than half of the items correctly - that is **intentional!**



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