



Study Island[®]

Student User Guide



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How to Use This User Guide

This Study Island User Guide is written for you, the student, and for your parents and teachers, who help you get the most out of Study Island.

Parents: Use this guide at home to help your student use Study Island and to monitor your student's progress in Study Island.

Teachers: Use this guide to familiarize yourself with the Study Island student interface and direct your students to tutorials in this guide.

Here are a couple tips to help you use this guide:

- The topics most relevant to get you started using Study Island come first, including signing into your account, how to earn Blue Ribbons, how to practice topics, and finding your assignments.
- Remember to ask your teacher or parent if you ever need help using Study Island. Or look up the topic in this user guide.
- For topics or tips that parents and teachers will find important, you'll see boxes like these:

Parent & Teacher Tip: These tips help parents and teachers understand features in the student interface, offer applicable suggestions for assisting students, or provide pointers for motivating students while they are practicing in Study Island.

What Is Study Island?

Study Island is a K-12 online practice and assessment tool. In other words, it helps reinforce what you've learned in the classroom and practice for tests in a fun and motivating way.

Important Reminders

We know you are excited to start using and exploring Study Island. Here are a few things to remember before you start your learning adventure:

- Always ask your teacher or parent for permission before signing on to Study Island.
- Study Island works great on most kinds of electronic devices, including computers, tablets, and smart phones.
- You need to have an internet connection to use Study Island.



Sign Into Your Study Island Account

To sign into your Study Island account, you need your username and password. Your teacher will give you your username and password the first time you use Study Island. Your username and password are unique to you. Keep them secret and safe.

If you forget your username or password, your teacher can help you.

1. Go to <https://app.studyisland.com/cfw/login/>. Bookmark this page so you can easily find it each time you log in.
2. Type in your username and password, and click **Sign In**.

The screenshot shows the Study Island login interface. At the top left is the Study Island logo. Below it are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. At the bottom left is a blue 'Sign In' button, and to its right is a blue link that says 'Forgot Password?'.



Easy Login for Kindergarteners and First Graders

Your school's Study Island Account Administrator may set up an easy login for students in kindergarten and first grade. Each class using Easy Login will receive a Group Username and Group Password.

Parent & Teacher Tip: Follow these instructions to help your kindergarten or first grade students sign into their Study Island account using Easy Login.

1. Go to the [Study Island Sign In](#) page and login using the **Group Username** and **Group Password**.

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Sign In Forgot Password?

2. Select the first letter of your first name.

Step 1 - Choose the first letter of your first name:

A B C D E F G
H I J K L M N
O P Q R S T U
V W X Y Z All

Cancel

3. Select your name from the list.

Step 2 - Choose your name to login:

Sarah Schaffer

Back

4. Enter your unique password and click **Continue**.

Step 3 - Enter your password:

Continue

Back



Your Home Page

Your Home page is the first page you see when you log into Study Island. The first time you log in, the tiles might be blank. As you complete practice sessions and assignments, you will start to earn Blue Ribbons, which will appear on your Home page.

- Use the menu to go to important pages.
- All your Blue Ribbons earned in each subject show up here.
- Scheduled tests and other topics you should work on are here.
- Access user guides in the Help Center or check messages from your teacher here.

Continue in-progress sessions here.

Find all active assignments from your teacher(s) here. Click the green arrow to start a new one or the orange arrow to continue.

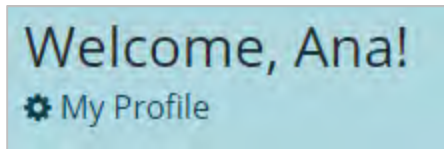


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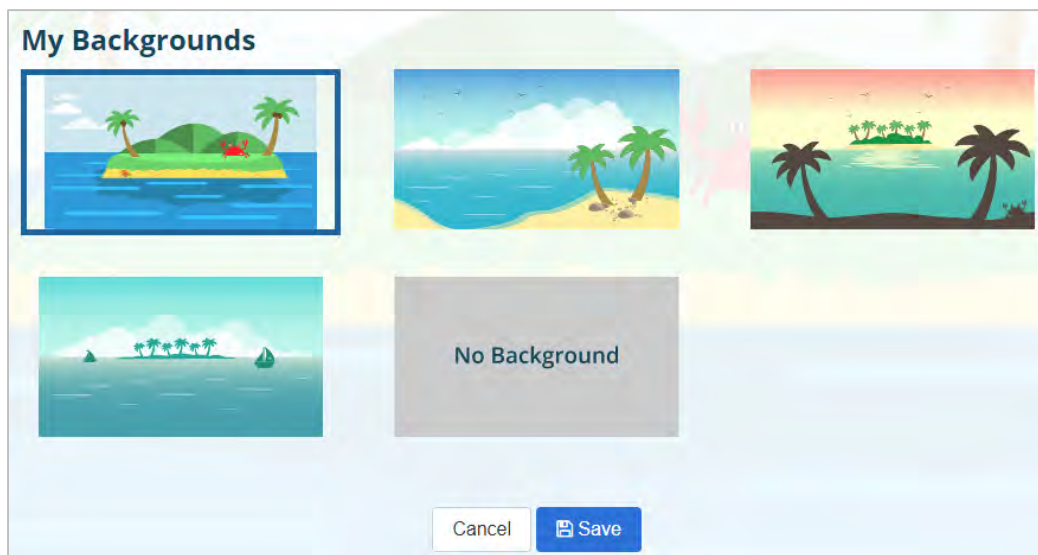
If enabled by the Study Island Account Administrator at your school, you can choose a different background for your account. The animated background with Taco the Crab is the default.

Follow these instructions to change your background:

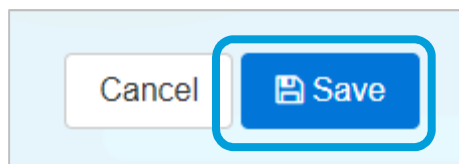
1. From your Home page, click **My Profile**.



2. Scroll down the page and select the background you want. Only the classic animated experience includes Taco the Crab cheering you on during practice sessions.



3. Click **Save**.





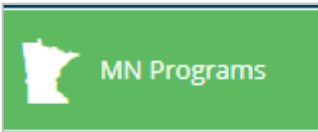
How Do I Earn Blue Ribbons?



Every time you master a topic, you earn a Blue Ribbon. Mastering a topic means you met the passing goal. The default passing goal is 70%, but your teacher may set a different passing goal. Every Blue Ribbon you earn is displayed on your Home page. You can also run a Blue Ribbon Report on the My Reports page.

Follow these instructions to find the Passing Goal for a topic:

1. Select a Program from the Menu.



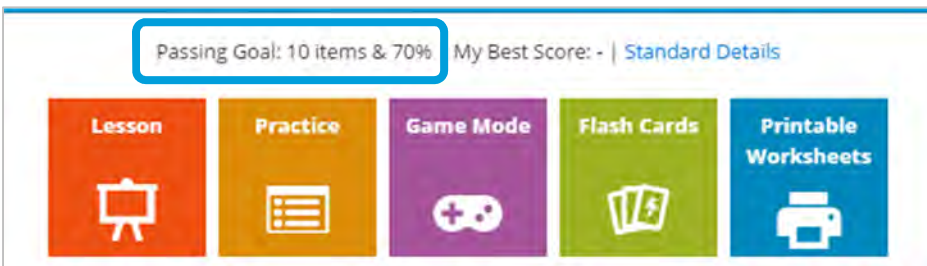
2. Select a program and subject.



3. Click a topic from the topic tree.



On the Practice Modal, the Passing Goal can be found here:



Parent & Teacher Tip: Motivate students by having them set goals of how many Blue Ribbons they want to earn each week. Teachers: set a goal as a class and create a bulletin board to show your class their progress toward the Blue Ribbon goal.



How Do I Practice a Topic from a Program?

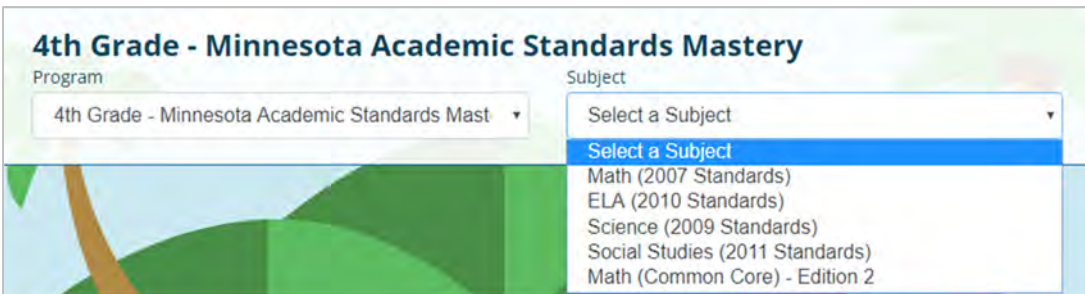
The content in Study Island is organized into programs and then into subjects. For example, your program may be Minnesota Academic Standard Mastery for Fourth Grade. Within that program are the following subjects: Math, ELA, Science, Social Studies, and Common Core Math. Ask your teacher which program and subject you should work on.

Follow these steps to find a topic for a specific program and subject.

1. Click on Programs. You may have to choose between your state Program or US Program. Ask your teacher which one you should use if you are not sure.



2. Choose the subject you want to practice. Your Program should automatically be selected.



3. Choose a topic to work on.

2. Number & Operation (Grade 1)		
a. Reading & Writing Whole Numbers	1 attempt: 80.0%	4.1.2.5
b. Reading & Writing Decimal Numbers		4.1.2.4
c. Compare & Order Whole Numbers & Decimals		4.1.2.5

Parent & Teacher Tip: The topic tree shows which topics students have earned Blue Ribbons for, any in-progress topics, and what standard the topic aligns to.



How Do I Find My Assignments?

Your teacher may assign assignments for you to work on. Assignments are created by your teacher, and you can find them on the My Classes page. Assignments may be similar to topics in a subject's topic tree, or they may be created by your teacher and completely unique.

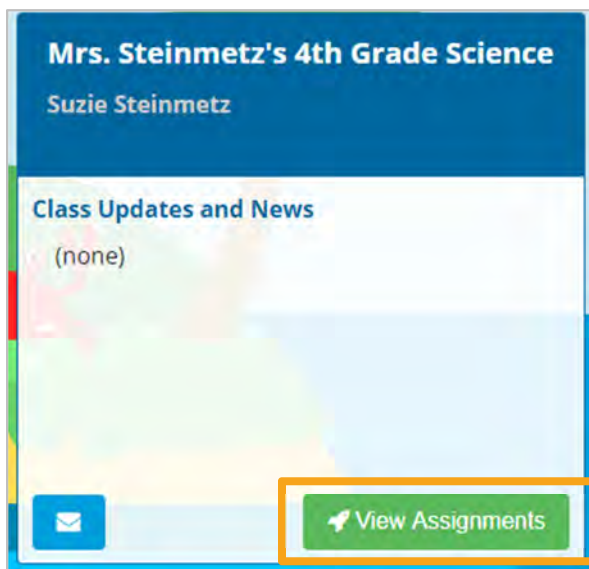
Parent & Teacher Tip: The My Classes page is where students will access teacher-created classes. If the teacher has not created a specific class in Study Island, this page will be blank. Classes are not required for students to practice topics in Study Island. See [How Do I Practice a Topic?](#) to learn how to practice in Study Island from a program.

Follow these steps to find and work on your Assignments:

1. Click **My Classes**.



2. Click **View Assignments** on a class tile. You may have one or more classes. You can check your assignments for each class separately on this page.





All new, in-progress, and completed assignments appear here:

The screenshot shows the top of a course page for 'Mrs. Steinmetz's 4th Grade Science' by 'Suzie Steinmetz'. It includes links for 'Message Teacher' and 'Go Back'. Below the course header, the 'Not Started' section contains one assignment card: 'Assignment #1' with a due date of 'Wed, Aug 9, 2017 (end of day)' and a green 'Start' button.

3. Start or continue an assignment by clicking one of the arrows. An orange arrow means you can continue a saved, in-progress session. A green arrow means you can start a new session.

This screenshot shows two assignment cards. The first is 'Assignment #1' with a due date of 'Mon, Aug 7, 2017 (end of day)' and an orange 'Continue' button. The second is 'Benjamin Franklin Chapter #1' with a due date of 'Mon, Aug 7, 2017 (end of day)' and a green 'Start' button.

4. View the results of a completed assignment by clicking the magnifying glass.

The screenshot shows the 'Completed' section for 'Assignment #1' with a due date of 'Mon, Aug 7, 2017 (end of day)'. It displays 'Topics Passed' as 1/1 and '% Correct' as 80.0. A magnifying glass icon labeled 'View' is positioned to the right of the statistics.



How Do I Take a Benchmark Test?

A Benchmark test gives schools a snapshot of how students are doing at a certain time during the school year. Schools may assign Study Island Benchmark tests up to four times per year. If it is time for you to take a Benchmark test, the test will show up on your Study Island Home page. Benchmark tests are made available during a testing window. Within that window, students can begin a test, save it, and return to it later. If they do not turn in the test before the end of the testing window, the tests will automatically be turned in and graded.

Teacher Tip: If you do not currently have benchmarks provisioned in your Study Island account, contact Study Island Support for more information about this additional feature.

1. Click the green **Start** arrow to begin the test.



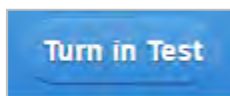
2. Answer each question and click **Next Question**.
3. Click **Tools** to access to access buttons that let you increase font size and highlight text.



4. Click **Save for Later** if you need to work on the test later.



5. When you have completed the test, click **Turn in Test**.





How Do I View My Grades from a Completed Test?

You can view the results from a test immediately after completing it. Your results page will look similar to this one:

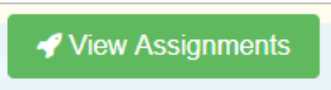
4th Grade ELA #7				
Topic	# Correct	# Incorrect	# Tested	Score
Organizing Ideas	2	0	2	100%
TOTAL	2	0	2	100%
Constructed Response Questions				
Topic	Status	Comments	Score	
Organizing Ideas	Turned in		--	
Organizing Ideas	Turned in		--	

If your test contained constructed responses (questions that you had to type in your own answer, like an essay question), your teacher will need to grade these questions. Follow these instructions to check your test results:

1. Sign into your account.
2. Under the main menu, click **My Classes**.



3. Click **View Assignments** for the class the test was for.



4. Click **View** on a completed test to open the results page.

4th Grade ELA #7
1 questions answered (200%)

Due: Wed, Oct 11, 2017 (end of day)

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View

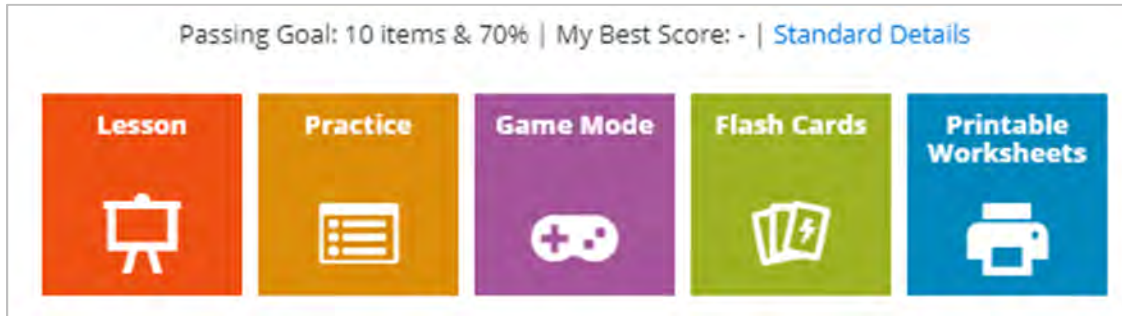
You will find the status of your test (graded), any comments from your teacher, and your score on this page.

Constructed Response Questions				
Topic	Status	Comments	Score	
Organizing Ideas	Graded	Your answer follows a logical, organized pattern, but transitions between p... +	2	
Organizing Ideas	Graded	Good logical sequence. Remember to use transitions. Very interesting topic! +	2	



How Do I Complete a Practice Session?

A **Practice Session** is any time you practice answering questions about a topic in Study Island. When you click on a topic or start an Assignment, the Practice Modal appears.

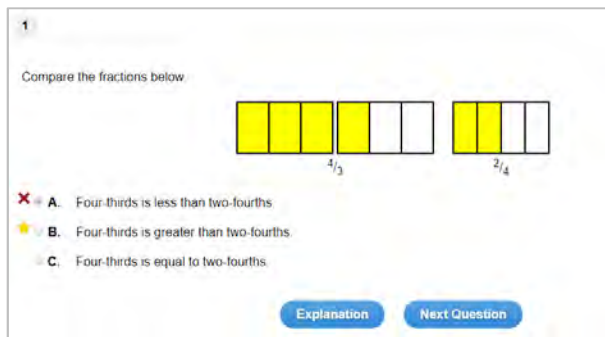


You can practice a topic in different modes:

Lesson

Review the topic before you take a practice session.

Practice

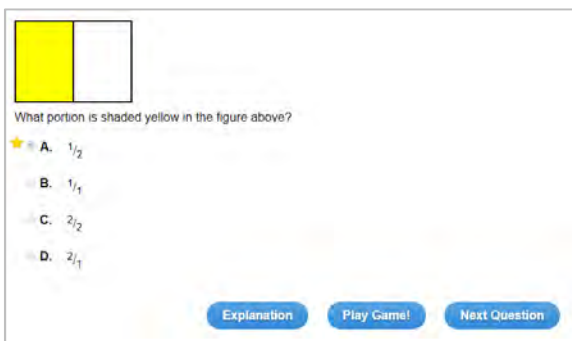
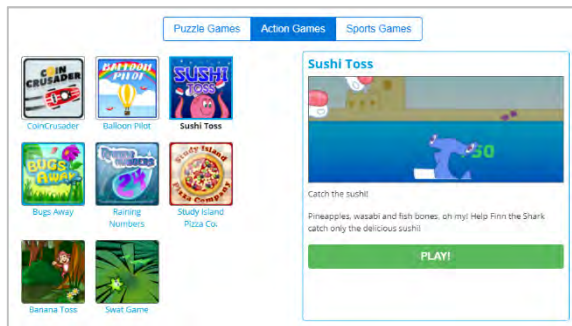


Practice a topic by answering questions.

1. Click **Practice**.
2. Answer each question and click **Submit**. This will show you if your answer was correct. The wrong answer will have a red X next to it. The correct answer will have a gold star next to it.
3. Click **Explanation** to learn more about the answer.
4. Click **Next Question** to continue to the session.
5. Click **Tools** to display the Tools ribbon. You can increase or decrease font size, highlight text, or comment on a question.
6. Click **Save Session** to save your current session. You can return to it later to continue working on the same session.



Game Mode

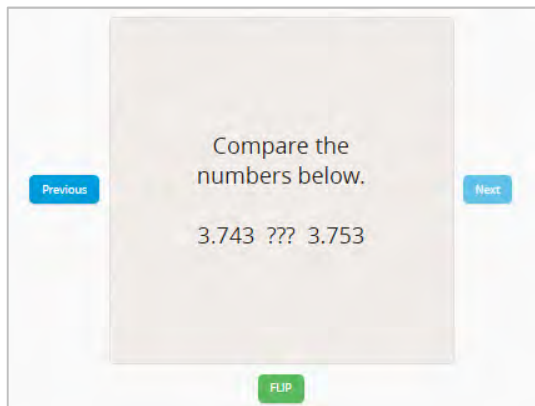
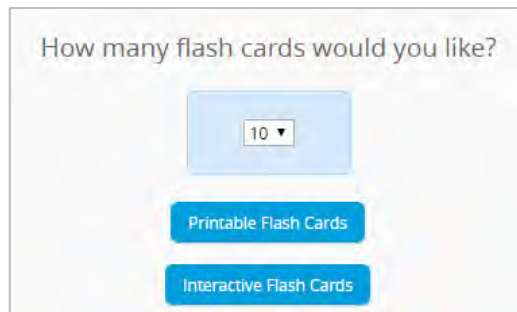


Practice a topic and play a short game for every correct answer.

1. Click **Game Mode**.
2. Select the type of game you want to play: **Puzzle Games**, **Action Games**, or **Sports Games**.
3. Click a game to view a preview.
4. Click **Play!** to begin the practice session.

If you answer a question correctly, you will have the option to **Play Game** or go to the **Next Question**.

Flash Cards



Use flash cards to review the topic.

1. Choose the number of flash cards you want to practice.
2. Select **Interactive Flash Cards** to practice on your device. To print them, select **Printable Flash Cards**.
3. Click **Flip** to see the answer.
4. Click **Next** to go to the next card.
5. Click **Back** to return to the Flash Card Options page.



Printable Worksheets

Printable Worksheet

Questions:

[Print](#)

[Hide Multiple Choice](#)

[Open in Microsoft Word](#)

Print the practice questions so you can work on the topic without a device. This is a great option if you don't have access to a computer or the internet at home.

1. Click **Printable Worksheets**.
2. Select the number of questions to print.
3. Select **Print**.
4. Follow your computer's prompts to print your document.



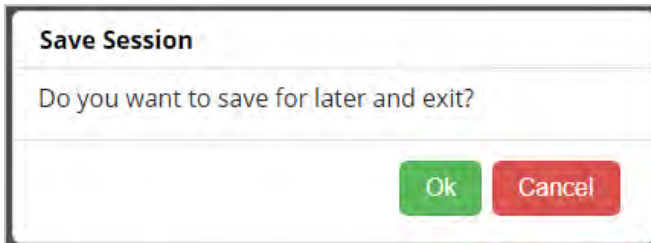
How Do I Save a Practice Session?

If you do not have enough time to finish a Practice Session, you can save the session. If you have started a 10-question session, but haven't yet completed all 10 questions, you will have the option to save your work. Then you can continue the session at another time.

1. When you are in a session, click **Save Session**.

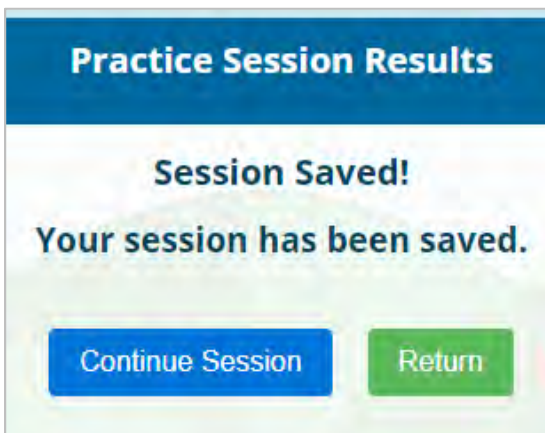


2. Click **OK** on the popup window.



Your session is now saved.

3. Click **Continue Session** to return to your session, or click **Return** to go back to the topic tree.

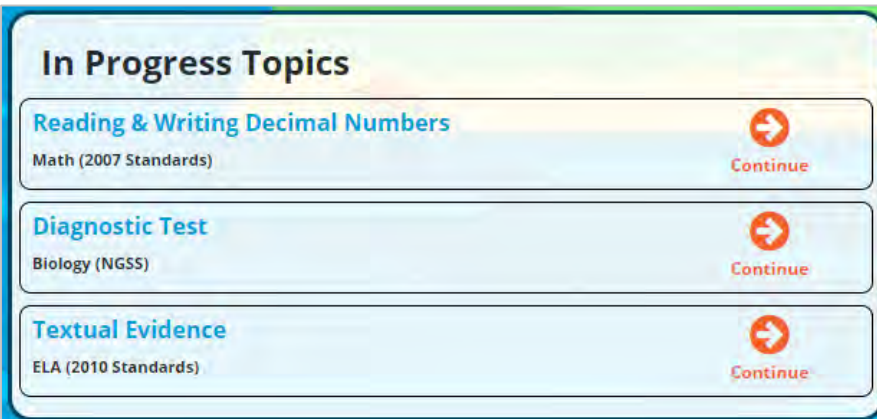




How Do I Return to a Saved Practice Session?

It's easy to return to a saved Practice Session. A saved session is also called an **In-Progress Topic**. Your saved sessions appear on your Home page under **In-Progress Topics**.

1. Sign in to Study Island.
2. On your Home page, look at the **In-Progress Topics** tile to find a list of your current saved sessions.



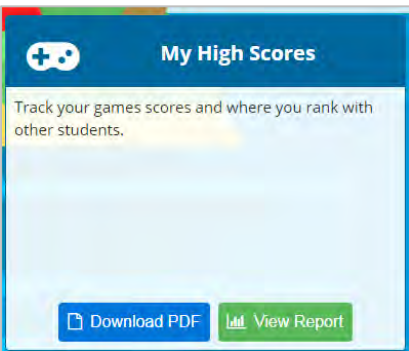
3. Click the orange arrow to continue the saved session.



How Do I Find My Game High Scores?

Parent & Teacher Tip: In Game Mode, correct answers are rewarded with a short game. This feature can be turned on and off by the Study Island Account Administrator or by teachers. Contact your student's teacher with any questions about this feature.

1. Click on **My Reports**.
2. On the **My High Scores** tile, choose one of the options to see your high scores.





How Do I Check a Message from My Teacher?

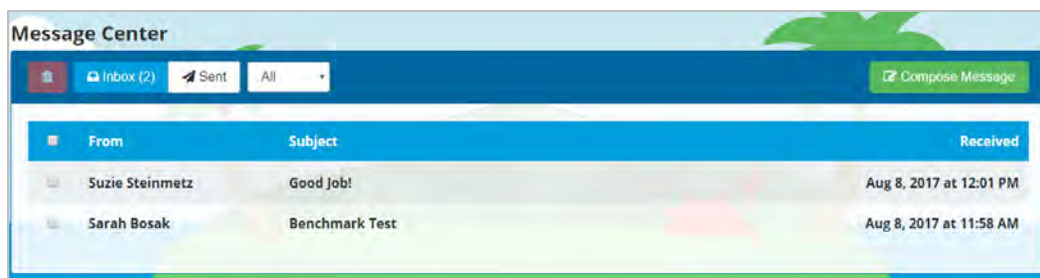
Parent & Teacher Tip: Teachers can message a whole class, a select group from a class, or an individual student. Students can only message their teacher(s). Students cannot message other students using Study Island.

Your teacher can send messages in Study Island. Here's how you check your messages.

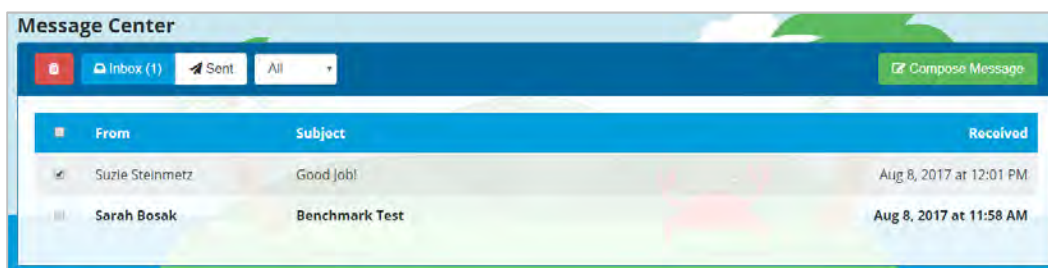
1. Click the orange **Message** button in the top right corner of your homepage. Your **Message** button may have a number next to it, which shows how many new messages you have.



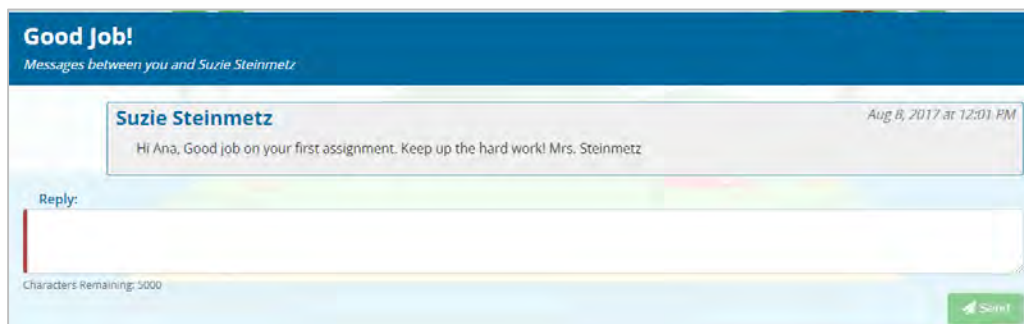
2. On the **Message Center**, click anywhere on a message bar to view the message.



3. To delete a message, select the message. Then click the red **Delete** button.



4. To reply to a message, type your reply into the box and click **Send**.





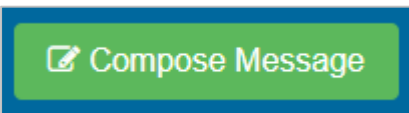
How Do I Message My Teacher?

If the student messaging feature is enabled, you can send messages to your teacher if you have a question or to ask for help. You will need to know your teacher's Study Island username to send them a message.

1. On the Home page, click the orange **Message Center** button in the top right corner of the screen.



2. Click **Compose Message**.



3. Type in your teacher's username and a subject for the message.

Compose Message

To (Username):

Subject:

Message:

Characters Remaining: 5000

4. Type your message and click **Send**.



How Do I View Reports?

You have access to several reports that show your progress in Study Island. Use these reports to check your own progress or update your parents on how you are doing.

1. Go to **My Reports**.



2. For the report you want to view, select the Program and Subject from the drop-down menus.

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "My Reports". Below the title is a blue header with a notebook icon and the text "Individual Subject Report". Underneath, there is a description: "Track your progress and Study Island usage within a subject." Below this are two drop-down menus. The first is labeled "Program" and has "4th Grade - Minnesota Academic Standards Mastery" selected. The second is labeled "Subject" and has "Math (2007 Standards)" selected. At the bottom of the form is a green button with a white bar chart icon and the text "View Report".

3. Click **View Report** to view in a new browser window.

Some reports have a **Download PDF** option to view the report in a separate PDF document.



What Does Each Report Show Me?

Individual Subject Report	Shows the following items for a specific subject: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ The number of completed sessions for each topic■ Time spent on each topic■ The best score achieved for each topic■ Number of questions correct out of total questions attempted■ Cumulative score (Your average score based on all the sessions completed for that topic)■ If a topic is mastered
Individual Summary Report	Shows Session Details and Cumulative Scoring for each subject within a program
Suggested Topics Report	Suggests topics for you to work based on your performance
Statewide Comparison Report	Compares your progress to the state averages by subject
Individual Blue Ribbon Report	Shows the number of Blue Ribbons earned out of the total number obtainable
My High Scores	Shows your high scores in games played while in Game Mode