



## Gifted and Talented Education Quick Quiz How much do you know?

## TRUE or FALSE?

1. More girls than boys are identified as gifted.
2. Teachers correctly identify gifted students 80% of the time.
3. Ability grouping within mainstream classes is the best way of catering for gifted students' learning needs.
4. Putting a gifted Year 9 Maths student into a Year 10 or 11 top class is a good way of meeting their needs.
5. One indication of giftedness is when a child is an early reader.
6. Gifted Maori students learn best if isolated from lower achieving peers.
7. Parents correctly identify their child as gifted 50% of the time.
8. Gifted children enjoy teaching other students in the class.
9. IQ testing is the only 100% reliable way to identify giftedness.
10. By the time they reach Year 7 a gifted child will have shown evidence of being gifted in some area of talent.
11. Gifted boys are more likely to hide their ability than gifted girls.
12. It is estimated that the percentage of gifted students is 5%.
13. Gifted students with a learning disability, such as dyslexia, will still usually achieve above average results.
14. Over 60% of gifted children are introverted compared with 30% of the general population.

## ANSWERS

1. More girls than boys are identified as gifted. *False - 2x as many gifted boys are identified.*
2. Teachers correctly identify gifted students 80% of the time. *False - more like 50% with some misdiagnosis - BUT with PD in GATE teachers become much more accurate.*
3. Ability grouping within mainstream classes is the best way of catering for gifted students' learning needs. *False - cluster grouping (like minds with like) is better.*
4. Putting a gifted Year 9 Maths student into a Year 10 or 11 top class is a good way of meeting their needs. *True - if the socio-emotional needs have been considered carefully. Advanced placement also works well for students gifted in languages and also in dance.*
5. One indication of giftedness is when a child is an early reader. *True.*

## ANSWERS continued

6. Gifted Maori students learn best if isolated from lower achieving peers. *False - Leadership and awhinatanga (supporting others) is seen as a huge area of talent by Maori.*
7. Parents correctly identify their child as gifted 50% of the time. *False - it is more like 70-80%.*
8. Gifted children enjoy teaching other students in the class. *False - they prefer to go faster and do harder work by themselves.*
9. IQ testing is the only 100% reliable way to identify giftedness. *False - it does not measure creativity and it can be culturally biased.*
10. By the time they reach Year 7 a gifted child will have shown evidence of being gifted in some area of talent. *False - many gifted students do not find an outlet for their talent or show it until they are adults.*

## ANSWERS continued.

11. Gifted boys are more likely to hide their ability than gifted girls. *False- girls, ESPECIALLY gifted teenage girls, often deliberately under-achieve to maintain peer group friendships.*
12. It is estimated that the percentage of gifted students is 5%. *False - but there's no definitive answer. (The ratio of children with an IQ of 130+ is @ 2.5%. )*

Talented @20%  
Gifted @2%  
Exceptionally  
Gifted @1:10,000  
or fewer

Gagné:  
Top 10% are  
gifted and need  
special  
provision/  
opportunities


## ANSWERS continued.

13. Gifted students with a learning disability, such as dyslexia, will still usually achieve above average results. *False - the gift appears to compensate only partially for the learning disability and the student ends up achieving at an average level for their age group.*
14. Over 60% of gifted children are introverted compared with 30% of the general population. *True.*

**1. How well did you do in the quiz?**

**2. What is ONE aspect of GATE that you would like to know more about?**

## Reflection



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