



Al Bayan Bilingual School

MAP Growth™(Measures of Academic Progress) An Introduction for Parents

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What is MAP Growth™?



BBS administers the web based NWEA MAP Growth™ assessment for students from Grade 1 to Grade 10:

- **When:** Twice a year at the beginning (Fall) and at the end of the school year (Spring)
- **Subjects:** Reading (for Grades 1-10), Mathematics(for Grades 1-10) and Language Usage(for Grades 3 to 10) .
- **Why:** To monitor student academic growth and guide teaching
- **How:** Students are tested on a computer/IPAD in the subjects (each subject on a different day)



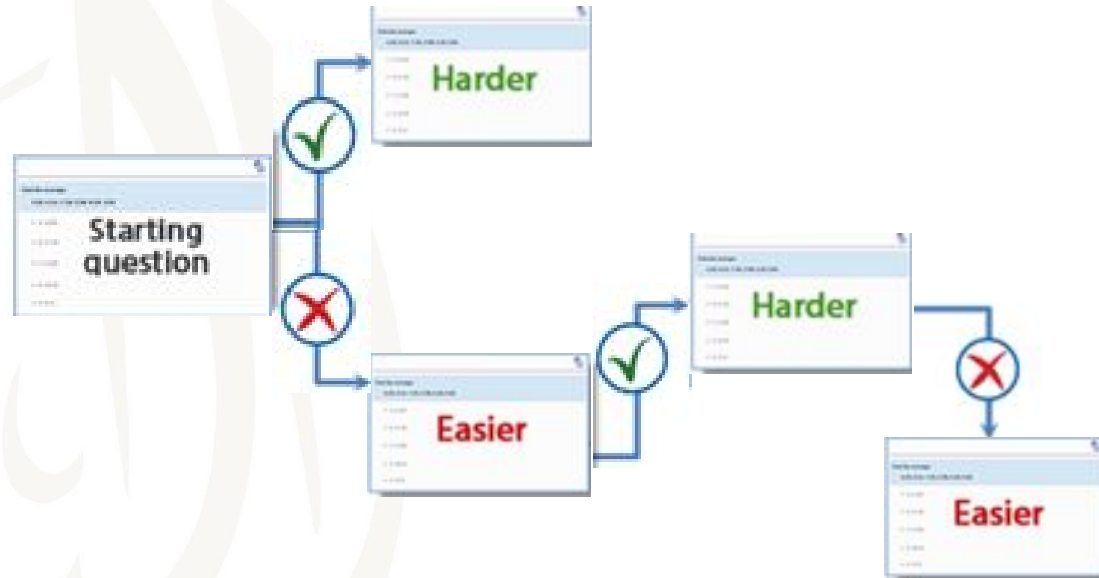
How Does MAP Growth™ Work?



- **The tests are computerized**
- **The tests are adaptive, meaning the test will adjust based on how the students answers**
- **MAP Growth™ builds a unique test for each student according to his/her academic ability**



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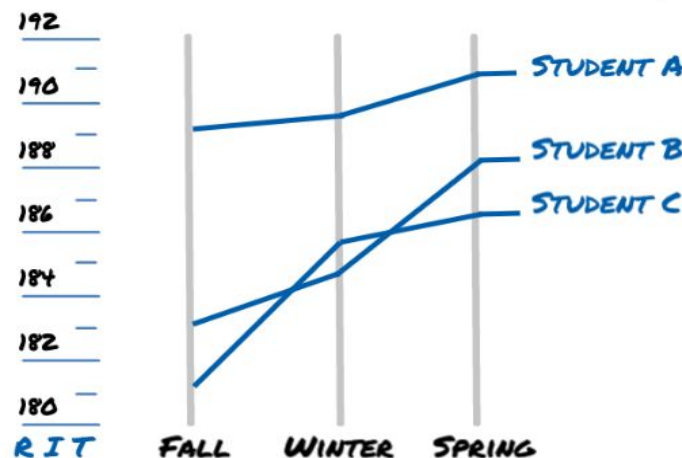
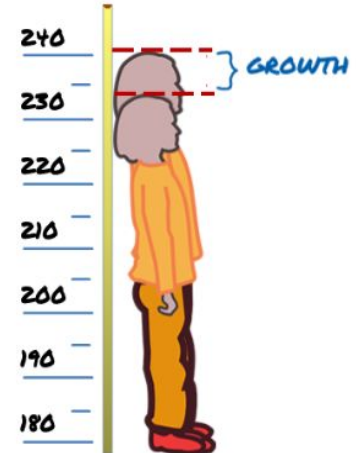
[Warmup Link](#) for Grades 1-2

How Does MAP Growth™ Work?



MAP results are reported in RIT units:

- RIT is the scale used to measure students' progress
- It is an equal interval scale much like feet and inches on a yardstick
- This measurement allows us to chart students' academic growth from term to term and year to year



Why Do We Administer MAP Growth™ at BBS?



Benefits to students

- The test dynamically adapts to each student's level of learning
- The results allow us to monitor student growth
- Through the reports available to teachers, MAP provides immediate data allowing teachers to pinpoint where students are ready to advance and where they need help.
- These reports help the teachers see where students are on the learning ladder and what skills need to be reinforced, developed, or introduced.

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Benefits to the overall school performance:

- In addition to the benefits to students, MAP results provide insights on how other student in international schools are performing in addition to students in the GCC, Kuwait and in school members of NESA



For Spring 2017 results, BBS student across all grades outperformed other students in Kuwait in all 3 subjects



- Being a data driven school, MAP reports allow us to evaluate our programs and rely on valid data as a factor in the decisions that the school takes



We use data from several sources such as Achieve 3000, Fountas and Pinnell reading tests and compare it to MAP data to take informed decisions.

Parent Resources:



1. [Parent Guide](#)

- ★ FAQ's
- ★ Tips for parents

2. [NWEA Strategies Packet](#)



Strategies for parents and students to improve reading, writing and mathematical skills