

# LOGIC PARENT QUICK-START SUPPORT

## How to Use the Sample Packet at Home

### PURPOSE

This quick-start guide helps parents use the Logic sample packet correctly at home.

The sample packet is not a test, not a race, and not a measure of how many pages your child can finish quickly.

The purpose is to help you see how your child approaches structured thinking.

#### **As your child works, watch the process:**

- Do they read before writing?
- Do they look at the rules?
- Do they think before placing an answer?
- Do they check their work?
- Do they guess when unsure?
- Do they slow down when something gets harder?
- Do they correct mistakes carefully?

### WHAT LOGIC PRACTICE BUILDS

Logic practice helps children strengthen structured problem-solving habits. The goal is not just correct answers. The goal is better thinking.

- reading rules carefully
- noticing patterns and constraints
- thinking before acting
- using clues instead of guessing
- placing answers carefully
- checking work
- finding and correcting mistakes step by step
- staying focused through a challenge

### HOW TO USE THE SAMPLE PACKET

Use the sample packet in a short, calm session.

**Recommended time: 10 to 15 minutes**

For some children, one or two pages may be enough for the first session. Do not worry about finishing the whole packet at once.

A short, focused session is better than a long session that ends in guessing or frustration.

### BEFORE YOUR CHILD STARTS

Say something simple:

*“Take your time. Read the rules first. Do not guess. Check your work as you go.”*

Then let your child begin. Your job is not to solve the page for them. Your job is to help protect the process.

## WHAT TO WATCH FOR

Strong signs	Warning signs
reads before writing	starts immediately without reading
pauses before placing an answer	guesses quickly
uses the rules	skips the rules
checks rows, columns, or clues	works only from appearance
notices when something does not fit	erases and changes answers randomly
corrects mistakes carefully	asks for the answer
keeps trying without rushing	rushes to finish or becomes frustrated

The warning signs do not mean your child cannot do Logic. They show where support is needed.

## HOW TO HELP WITHOUT GIVING ANSWERS

When your child gets stuck, do not give the answer. Use short questions.

### Helpful prompts

- What does the rule say?
- What do you know so far?
- What cannot be true?
- What should you check first?
- Can you show me your thinking?
- Where did it stop making sense?
- What can you rule out?
- Did you check your answer?

### Avoid saying

- No, that is wrong.
- Put this here.
- The answer is obvious.
- You should know this.
- Just finish the page.

The goal is to keep your child thinking, not to make the page go faster.

## IF GUESSING OR FRUSTRATION APPEARS

### If your child starts guessing

Stop the work briefly and say:

“Logic works when we can explain the answer. Let’s slow down and go back to the rule.”

- What do we know?
- What rule can we use?
- What choice can we remove?
- What needs to be checked?

### If your child gets frustrated

Stop before the session becomes too hard. Say:

“We are going to stop here. The goal is careful thinking, not pushing until it feels bad. We can come back later.”

Stopping early is acceptable. A clean short session is better than a long session that teaches rushing, guessing, or frustration.

## WHAT PROGRESS LOOKS LIKE

Progress may not look like speed at first. In the beginning, good progress may look like:

- your child slows down before writing
- your child reads more carefully
- guessing decreases
- work becomes more organized
- your child checks more often
- mistakes are corrected more calmly
- your child explains answers better

Correct answers matter, but they are not the only sign of growth. A child who can explain, check, and correct their work is building a stronger thinking process.

## HOW TO DECIDE IF THE FULL WORKBOOK IS A GOOD FIT

The full Logic workbook may be a good fit if your child:

- enjoys puzzles or structured challenges
- needs practice slowing down and thinking carefully
- guesses too often and needs better problem-solving habits
- benefits from screen-free practice
- needs work that builds focus and reasoning
- can work for 10 to 15 minutes with adult support
- shows interest after trying the sample pages

The workbook may still be useful even if the sample feels challenging. A challenge is acceptable when the child can stay calm, use rules, and try again.

## SIMPLE SESSION PLAN

1. Start	2. Work	3. Pause	4. Review
Read first. Think before writing. No guessing. Check your work.	Let your child complete one or two pages. Watch the process. Do not give answers.	If guessing, rushing, or frustration appears, stop and reset.	Ask: What went well? Where did it get hard? What should you do next time?

## FINAL REMINDER

The Logic sample packet is not about proving what your child already knows. It is about seeing how your child thinks.

- Read carefully.
- Think before writing.
- Use the rules.
- Check the work.
- Do not guess.
- Build the thinking step by step.

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