

## A Bright Child vs. Gifted Child

A Bright Child:	A Gifted Child:
Knows the answers	Asks the questions
Is interested	Is highly curious
Pays attention	Gets involved mentally and physically
Works hard	Can be inattentive and still get good grades and test scores
Has good ideas	Has wild, silly ideas
Answers the questions	Questions the answers, discusses in detail
Enjoys same-age peers	Prefers adults or older children
Learns easily	Often already knows the answers
Is self-satisfied (when gets right answer)	Is highly self-critical (perfectionists)
Is good at memorizing	Is good at guessing
Listens with interest	Shows strong feeling and opinions
6-8 repetitions for mastery	1-2 repetitions for mastery in their domain
Understands ideas	Constructs abstractions
Grasps the meaning	Draws inferences
Copies accurately	Creates a new design
Enjoys school	Enjoys learning
Absorbs information	Manipulates information
Enjoys sequential presentation	Thrives on complexity
Is alert	Is keenly observant
Top group	Beyond the group

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