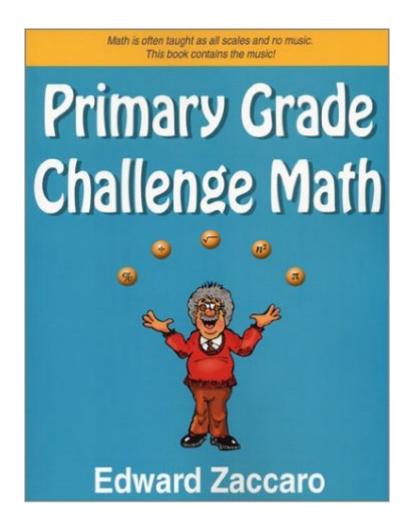
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Synopsis

Primary Grade Challenge Math offers material that goes beyond calculation skills for those children who enter the primary grades already knowing basic concepts. This curriculum allows parents and teachers to instill a deeper level of mathematical understanding and thinking skills in young children while nurturing a love of mathematics. (Grades 1st - 4th) Each chapter's questions are broken down into four levels: Level 1 (easy) Level 2 (somewhat challenging) Level 3 (challenging) Einstein (very challenging) Includes chapters on: Sequences, Problem-solving, Money, Percents, Algebraic Thinking, Negative Numbers, Logic, Ratios, Probability, Measurements, Fractions, Division.

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I presented this book to my 6 and 8 year olds (both reading, both with great math minds). My independently motivated 8 year old learned several grades' worth of math in a few weeks mostly on her own with this book. The fun pictures and presentation style even engaged my usually apathetic 6 year old, who is now so proud of his uncanny skill with fractions. As a parent, I love that the four levels of questions in each chapter made it possible for them to go through the same chapters but at different levels. I love that the chapters are called things like "Oh no, I have to change the recipe!" and "How many legs?" instead of "Ratios" and "Multiplication". I love that very little is told TO the student; most of the ideas are generated by the student via the carefully presented questions. The book does not do drills: there are only five questions per level per chapter. For a gifted student who grabs the concept quickly and is ready to move on, this is perfect. Other students may want/need

more practice. Also, for example, although it introduces the concept of multiplication, it does not require that students learn the multiplication facts. This is an excellent approach because it lets kids explore more advanced concepts that would be inaccessible to them if they don't know what 6x4 is off the top of their head; my 8 year old did some problems using her memorized multiplication facts while my 6 year old used the multiplication table or a calculator. Both got to develop the same concepts. It is because of this approach that I think this book is the perfect supplement for gifted students; they will still need some drill in addition and multiplication facts, but they will do more than enough of that in school.

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