

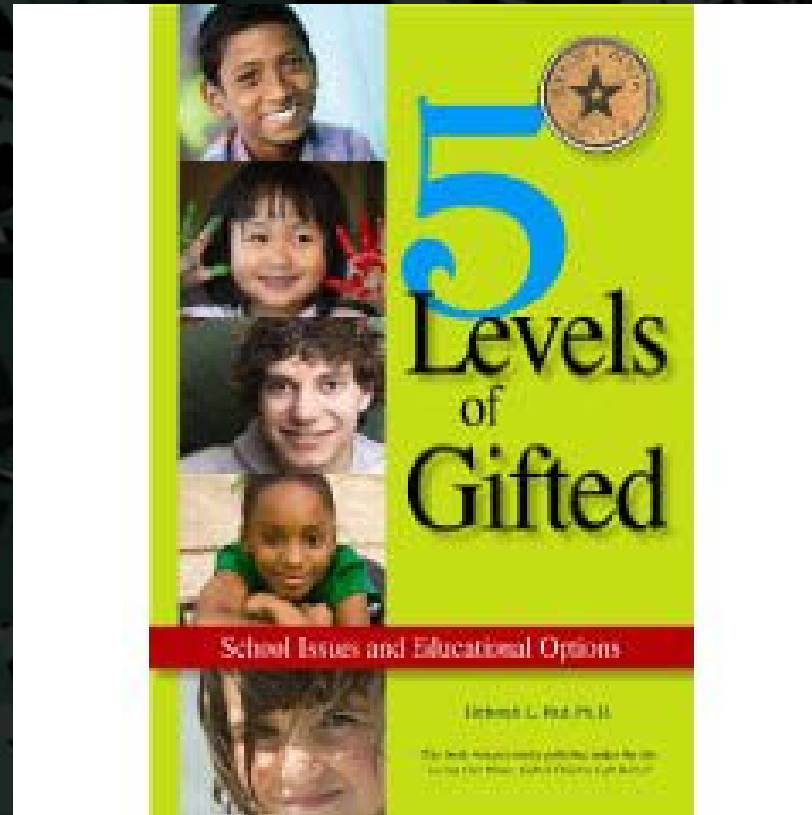
# Exploring the Levels of Giftedness: One size does NOT fit all.



# 5 Levels of Gifted

Formerly

Loosing Our Minds: Gifted Children Left Behind



## Level 1 Gifted.

- 99-98<sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.
- May not make gifted services cut-off.
- Generally ahead of their year group.
- Tend to achieve well in school and make up the top 1/3 of their graduating class.

“the ideally gifted”

- 98<sup>th</sup> to 99<sup>th</sup> percentile in testing
- Provided with gifted services, generally do well in school and hold leadership positions in life
- Almost all read, count and do simple math before kindergarten
- Almost all read several grade levels above age peers
- Sensitive to physical stimuli (seams in socks, etc.)

## Level 4 and Level 5 Gifted

“exceptionally and profoundly gifted”

- 99<sup>th</sup> percentile plus in testing
- Highly sensitive to their environment
- Many years ahead of age peers
- social/emotional coping difficulties even in gifted classes
- Many are ready for college level work at a very young age
- Many have dual-diagnosis