

# MALAYSIAN MENSA SOCIETY

Introducing the Malaysian Mensa Society for gifted children— individuals with an IQ in the top 2% of the population, below the age of 14 years old.

## INTRODUCTION

The Malaysian Mensa is a society for individuals who have an IQ at the top 2% of the population. Being a member opens up a world of opportunities as you meet and share experiences with amazing and intelligent people both locally and internationally.

Mensa has three stated purposes: to identify and foster human intelligence for the benefit of humanity, to encourage research in the nature, characteristics and uses of intelligence, and to promote stimulating intellectual and social opportunities for its members.

## GIFTED CHILDREN

Gifted Children; defined as members of the Malaysian Mensa who are below the age of 14 stand to benefit from the society in the following ways.

### Participate in Relevant Activities

Our monthly meet up, the mChats; are held throughout the year and offers learnings and experiences for members in a huge range of topics. From exotic animals, to exotic coffee. From sign language to astronomy; there's always something new to learn, something new to share.

### Social Opportunity

Being able to interact with other high IQ individuals is something that is unique to Mensa. Very often, young Mensans tend to gravitate to older peers as they are more able to understand the depth of those conversations as compared to their own peers. What better place to find both older peers and other gifted individuals than in Mensa. Besides that, various Special Interest Groups may be great opportunities for Gifted Children to develop their current interests or find new ones.

### Support Community

As more Gifted Children join the society, a support community can also be developed to enable both parents and Gifted Children support one another in meeting the needs that are unique to them.

### Mensa International

Being a part of the Malaysian Mensa also means having access to the international community of Mensans around the world. By being a Member, you can gain access to a huge and growing resource developed specifically for Gifted Children and gifted youth educators. These resources like lesson plans activities, and research journals are part of the Mensa Foundation which benefits society by inspiring and empowering intellectually gifted people through research and publications.

## WHERE WE ARE

Currently the society's main population consists of young working adults centred around urban areas. This may mean that the timing and topic of the events may not always meet the needs of Gifted Children.

In addition to that, many of the activities and meetups are member initiated and self-run. This means that activities for Gifted Children will also largely depend on the support that comes from the members and their parents.

To continue to support the Gifted Children community, some of the current efforts being carried out include the Student SIG, joint activities with the former National Association of Gifted Children, and opening testing to students through our Testing Partners.

Our hope is that as we continue to receive and support the membership of Gifted Children, that we can build a community that can be large enough to support the Gifted Children so they can continue to develop and grow to their fullest potentials as Mensans.

## GETTING TESTED

If you are interested in assessing and obtaining prior evidence for your child to be used for admittance into the Malaysian Mensa, please visit [mensa.my/gifted-children](https://mensa.my/gifted-children) to get started.



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