

Ready for Kindergarten

Ready for Kindergarten Checklist

The following checklist will help you determine how ready your child is for kindergarten and will help you identify areas to focus on before your child enrolls.

Skill	Beginning	Intermediate	Proficient
Can say their first and last name			
Hold crayons and make simple drawings			
Recite the alphabet and count to ten			
Listen to and follow instructions			
Sit still for 15-20 minutes			
Go to the bathroom and wash hands alone			
Know the names of many things			
Know if a book is upside down			
Know that books are read from left to right			
Recognize the letters of the alphabet			
Know the sounds of some letters			
Name words that rhyme			
Hold conversations and tell simple stories			
Tell you what they like about a book			
Begin to write their name			
Hear the first sound in a simple word like "ball"			
Get at least 8 hours of sleep each night			





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A Day in the Life

Throughout their time in kindergarten, your child will:

 Make new friends and build relationships Learn about their world Learn about letters, sounds, words, and books Have a routine/schedule Follow rules, sit in a circle Practice learning to read Begin to read, spell, and write Learn about numbers, shapes, patterns, and sizes 	 Learn about themes and projects that integrate reading, writing, math, and science Explore themes and projects that integrate the visual and performing arts (painting, drawing, singing, dancing, etc.) Work in small and large groups Have less or no time for recess and naps Eat with other students in a cafeteria
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