

Kindergarten Brain Gym

Fun Ways to Get Ready for Kindergarten

Educational Websites

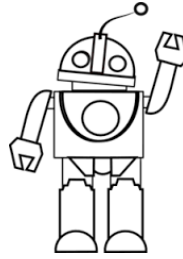
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Summer Activities for New Kindergarteners

Go to the free Mascotte Civic Center presentations each Thursday.

Get a library card and visit weekly for story time.

Color, draw, and write every day - write little stories about your day; I saw a red bird in the grass. My cat had kittens.

Work on alphabet, animal, or number puzzles together.

Create buildings using Play-Dough, blocks, Legos, or cardboard.

Play games like Candy Land, Go Fish, and Connect Four.

Talk about feelings, behaviors, and practice good manners every day. Ask your child to describe things using color, shape and size words.

Play outside – jump rope, swing, play catch, bounce a ball- count as you do these things.

Discuss colors and shapes at the grocery store;

- colors of fruits and vegetables or flowers
- shapes of boxes and packages – The Quaker Oats box is a cylinder, the cereal box is a rectangle
- count out items as you put things in your cart

Ask thinking questions- Which cookie is your favorite? Why?