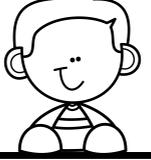


Ideas & Activities to help your child get ready for



KINDERGARTEN



LITERACY SKILLS

- Read everyday!!!
 - talk about the pictures in the book
 - have your child point to where the words on the page are
 - model pointing to the words as you read

- Read / recite nursery rhymes

- Read upper / lowercase letters
 - start with the letters in your student's name
 - point to the letters in the signs of stores you go to

- Practice writing name

MATH SKILLS

- Count, count, count!

- Count with objects

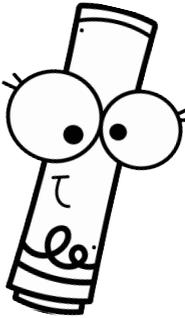
- Play board games
 - with dice

- Practice naming and drawing shapes
 - circle, square, triangle, rectangle

- Read numbers (0-10)

- Practice tracing / writing numbers (0-10)

- Sort objects into categories by color, size, shape, etc.



FINE MOTOR SKILLS

- Color
- Play with playdoh
- Squeeze water out of sponges

- Practice buttons / zippers
- Trace zig zag lines

- Use tweezers to pick up objects
- Open containers

- Thread beads on string or pipe cleaners
- Practice cutting

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SOCIAL SKILLS

- Encourage your child to respond to adults that aren't the parent
- Sharing and taking turns
- Encourage your child to talk about feelings
- Encourage your child to speak in complete sentences
- Encourage your child to listen to others that are talking

LIFE SKILLS

- Use manners
- Sit and listen to a story
- Use the bathroom / wash hands independently
- Clean up messes
- Practice following 2+ step directions
- Have conversations at meal times

Additional resources



The Leap Frog Letter Factory DVD is a fun and engaging way to teach children the letters and the sounds of the alphabet. It can be found on Youtube and on Netflix.



Starfall.com has several free educational videos and games for teaching children the letters of the alphabet and more!



Jack Hartmann has a music channel on Youtube with wonderful educational songs about letters, counting and many science topics