



Kindergarten Readiness



Please practice the following skills with your child before they start school. Knowing all or part of these concepts will help them be successful and feel confident in school.

Counting

Practice counting from 1 to 35

(We expect your child to count to 115 by the end of kindergarten)

Number Recognition

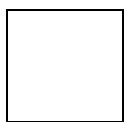
We would like your child to know these numbers by sight

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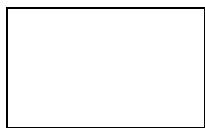
(We expect your child to recognize and name the numbers in random order from 0 to 100 by the end of kindergarten)

Shapes

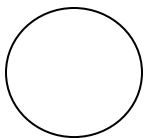
Please practice the names of these shapes



Square



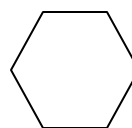
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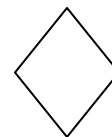
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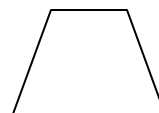
triangle



hexagon



rhombus



trapezoid

One to One Correspondence

Practice counting a pile of objects with your child separating the ones that he/she counts from the ones that he/she has not counted until they have counted the whole pile

Money

Please practice the names of each of the coins and how much they are worth



Name Writing

We would like your child to be able to write his/her first name and learn the letters in their name. Please have them write it the Kindergarten way (one capital and the rest lowercase, examples: John, Marie, Bob, Alexandra)

Uppercase Letters

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

(We would like them to know these by sight, in alphabetical order and in random order)

Lowercase Letters

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

(We would like them to know these by sight, in alphabetical order and in random order)

Concepts of Print

We would like your child to learn:

- how to hold a book and turn the pages one at a time
- where you should start reading a sentence
- where to go when you get to the end of a line
- the difference between a letter, a word, and a sentence

Reading Books

Read to your child daily. Before you read a book have your child look at the pictures and have them tell you what they think the book will be about. Read the book with your child. After reading the book have them tell you some important things that happened in the story, who was in the story, and where the story took place. They could tell you about the beginning, middle, and end of the story.

Rhyming

Practice rhyming words with your child- Examples: hat-bat-cat pan-tan-man

(Not all children are developmentally ready to rhyme so practice but don't expect perfection)

Social/Self-Help Skills

- Clean up their personal space, including toys
- Know their first and last names
- Know how to unpack their backpack and put things in it
- Take care of themselves in the bathroom
- Put on their coats, button or zip
- Share materials and toys with others
- Follow two or three part directions such as "We are going to put our backpacks away, take our folders out, and hang up our coats"