

Checklist of Skills

This is a short checklist that can help you keep track of skills that your child should have mastered before they move onto Kindergarten. If your child does not possess all of the skills included here it will not prevent them from entering school. This is simply a list of skills that will give you, as a parent, a place to begin in preparing your child for entering Kindergarten.

- Can match two like pictures in a set
- Classifies same/different, alike/not alike objects by shape, color, or size
- Can organize objects that go together in groups
- Recognizes, copies or repeats patterning sequence
- Demonstrates the ability to correctly put in order or sequence up to three pictures
- Participates in repeating a familiar song, poem, finger play and/or nursery rhyme
- Retells a simple story after listening to a story with pictures
- Identifies eight (8) colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, brown, black)
- Recognizes own name in print
- Points to and/or recognizes letters in own name
- Attempts to write letters in own name
- Recognizes familiar signs, words and logos in the child's environment
- Demonstrates book awareness: holding book right side up, looks left to right, directionality
- Identifies two words that rhyme/sound the same
- Recites the alphabet
- Recognizes letters of the alphabet
- Begins to write letter of the alphabet
- Knows first and last name
- Knows parent's first and last name
- Identifies age
- Matches a numeral (0-5) to a group with that number of objects
- Counts in sequence 1-10 and identifies numbers 0-10
- Understands concepts of more and less up to five objects
- Uses symbols or drawings to express ideas