



Kindergarten Readiness Summer Packet

Dearest Parents,

I hope this finds you well and ready for summer! During break it is important that children both keep the skills and interests that they have built and work on challenges that will prepare them for working independently in Kindergarten. We will have a mix of abilities, but my hope is that this will help guide you to ready your student regardless of their PreK/TK experience.

It may benefit you to make multiple copies of both the "I Can Write My ABC's" and "I Can Write My Numbers" to allow for mistakes and extra practice. If you are looking for a more extensive packet that is for sale, look on www.teacherspayteachers.com called "Kindergarten Readiness: On My Way To K." In addition to the work provided, I suggest you look carefully at the two checklists that I have provided about "Life Skills and Academic Readiness." You know your child best! Which of these skills would best serve them to work on before our first day?

For those that are still learning their alphabet sounds, I would suggest looking at the YouTube series called "4 Step Phonics: Step 1". Each video is only 15 minutes and will guide you and your child through two letters per session. Our Kindergarten is phonics based. Students are expected to already know their uppercase letters, first names and some letter sounds.

Best,

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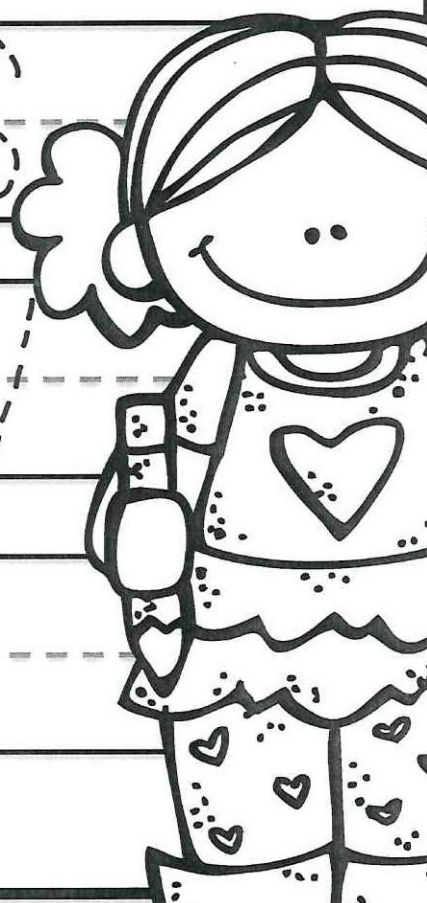
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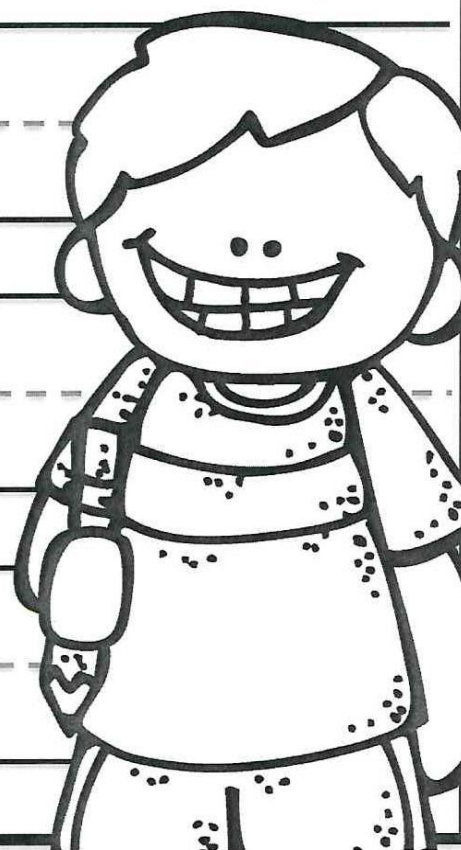
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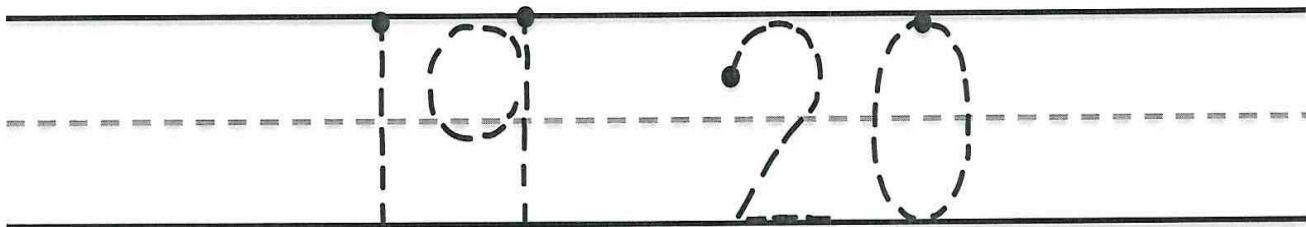
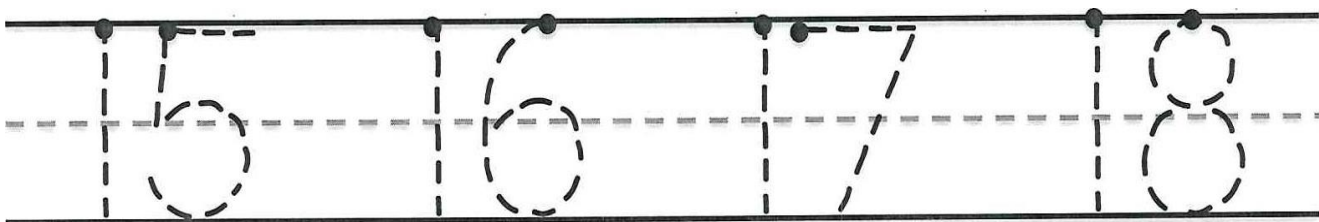
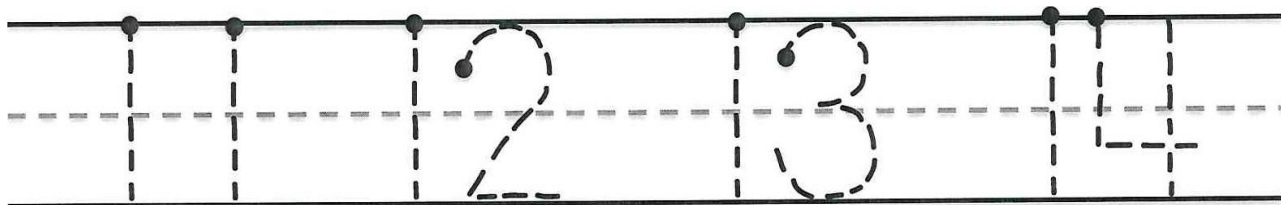
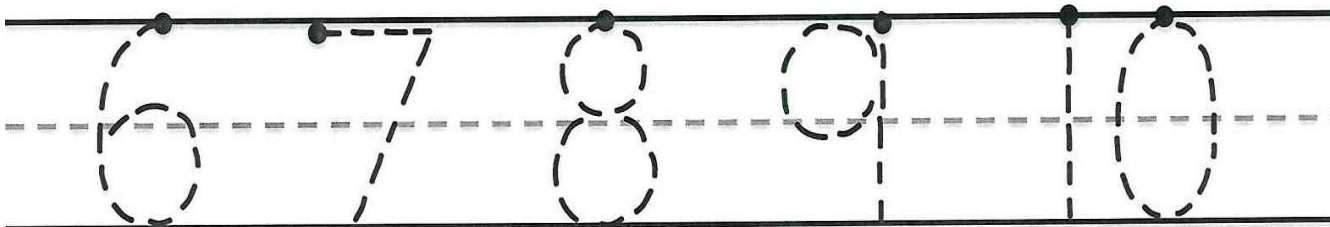
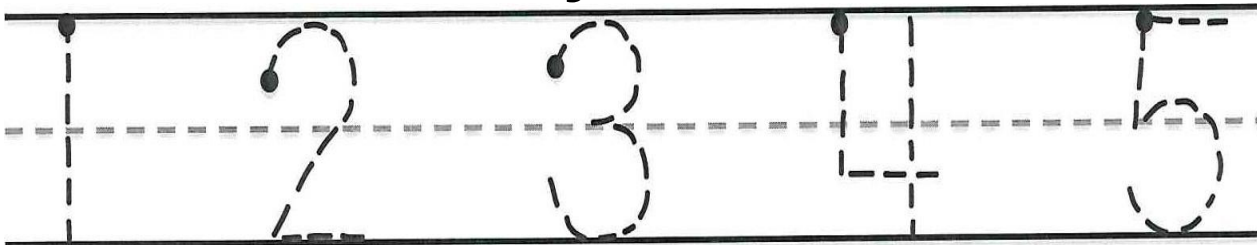
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I Can Write My Numbers!



Kindergarten

Family Summer Reading

- **Summer Reading Bingo:** There is one bingo board for each month this summer. Five in a row in any direction is bingo! Try to get bingo each month. Color a square each time you complete a reading activity. Most of the time, you will be reading to your child for this activity, but your child can also "read" the book to you by looking at the pictures and using the picture to tell the story. Have your child practice sitting and listening to a story from beginning to end. Have fun with this as a family. **Turn the bingo boards into your teacher at the start of school.**
- **Summer Reading List:** Have fun picking out new stories to read this summer. **Pick two stories from the list to read this summer. Using the journal paper provided, draw a picture to illustrate your favorite part of the book. Tell your mom or dad your favorite part and have him or her write your words on the lines below your picture. Also have mom and dad write the name of the book that you used for your picture. Turn your journal pages into you teacher on the first day of school.**



- Swimmy by Leo Lionni
- Fish Eyes: A Book You Can Count On by Lois Ehlert
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin
- My Many Colored Days by Dr. Seuss
- Froggy Learns to Swim by Jonathan London
- Charlie Plays Ball by Ree Drummond
- Splish, Splash, Splat by Rob Scotton
- The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn
- Skippyjon Jones and the Big Bones by Judy Schachner
- Only One You by Linda Kranz



- Bats at the Ballgame by Brian Lies
- Dear Mr. Blueberry by Simon James
- Dragons Love Tacos by Adam Rubin
- Harry by the Sea by Gene Zion
- Pete the Cat and the Treasure Map by James Dean
- How I Became a Pirate by Melinda Long
- The Little Mouse, The Red Ripe Strawberry and the Big Hungry Bear by Don Wood
- Bear's New Friend by Karma Wilson
- Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate and Ashley Wolff
- The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn

Family Summer Math

- **Pick five of these everyday math activities to complete this summer.** Fill in the summer math log with the name of the activity and the date completed. Turn it into your teacher on the first day of school.
 - **Toy Patterns:** Make a pattern using toys. For example: blue block, red block, blue block, red block or car, truck, plane, car, truck, plane. Parent can start the pattern and then invite your child to join in.
 - **Making Tens:** Help your child count everyday objects and put them in groups of ten. Goldfish crackers, Cheerios, and pennies make great counters!
 - **Stoplight Count:** When you stop at a stoplight, starting counting. How high can you count until the light turns green. Play this game with your child while running errands in the car. Start counting and invite your child to join you
 - **Where Is Teddy?** Use your child's favorite toy to play this game. Take Teddy (or an action figure or any



stuffed animal) and ask your child to put him under the table. Play this game using other positional words: above, between, below, over, under, through, in front of, in back of, etc.

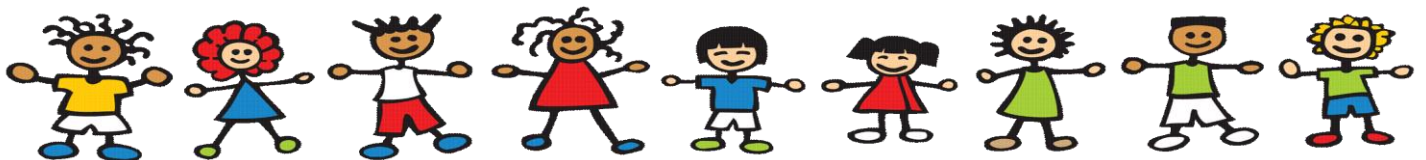
- **Larger or Smaller:** Make two groups of objects for your child. See if he or she can tell you which group has the more. Make another two groups and see if your child can tell you which group has less. Play this game several times. It is fun to play with gummy bears, crackers, popcorn, etc.
- **I Spy Shapes:** This is a great game to play while running errands or on a car trip. Ask your child if he or she can find something that is a circle. Once that is found, try different shapes, such as square, rectangle, triangle and diamond.
- **Number Memory:** Make two sets of cards with the numbers 1 to 5 (or 1 to 10) on them. Mix them up and turn them over and place them on a table. Turn over two cards. Say the name of the numbers on the cards. Do they match? If so, you can keep them. If not, turn them back over. Now it is the next person's turn. Play until all the cards are collected. The person with the most cards wins.
- **Collection Counting:** Take a walk on the beach and collect shells. Count the shells as you collect them. Try sorting the shells into groups by color or sort them by size. You can also play this game on a hike, collecting rocks or on a neighborhood walk, collecting leaves.
- **Board Game Fun:** Play a board game as a game that involves rolling a die (or dice) and moving a marker along the board. Have fun playing the game, rolling the die and counting the number of spaces you move!
- **Shape Hunt:** Invite your child to go around your house and collect one item that is a circle, one that is square,



one that is a rectangle and one that is a triangle. You can even play this with your child while you cook dinner, fold laundry or do other household chores. Just have him or her bring the items to you.

Family Math Log

Activity Name	Date Completed



Summertime Fine Motor Activities

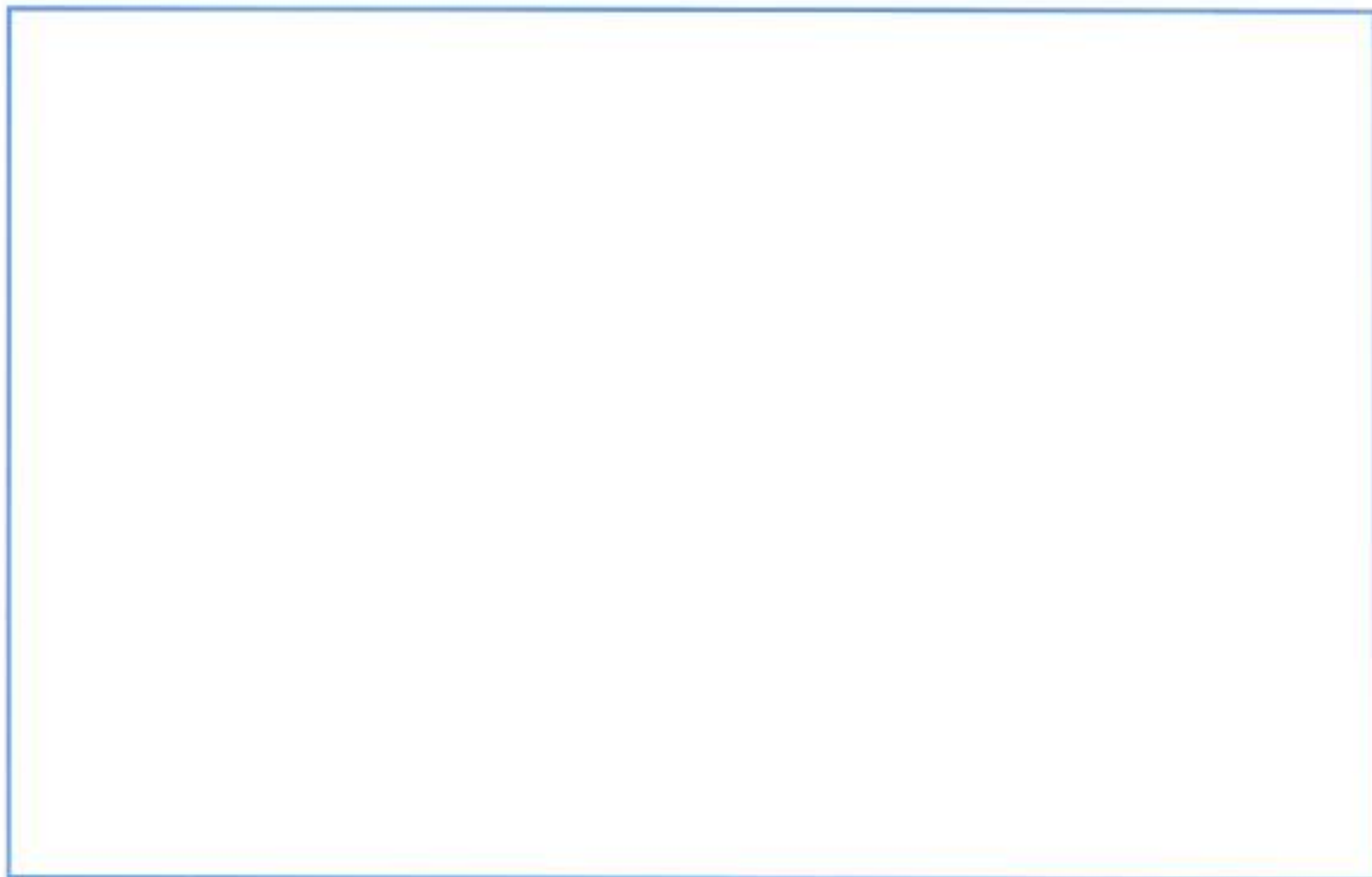


Here are a few summertime activities to help your child with his or her motor skills. These activities will help strengthen your child's hand muscles while having fun.

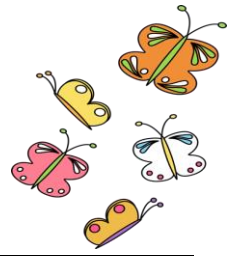
- Practice cutting with scissors: Draw a picture and try cutting it out. Cut a piece of paper into strips and make paper chairs. Cut pictures from a coloring book, wrapping paper or a magazine and glue them on a paper to make a collage. Try cutting up paper into little pieces to make confetti for a party. Just have fun and practice scissor skills.
- Draw with crayons.
- Use sidewalk chalk outside to make sidewalk murals.
- String beads.
- Use play dough to make dough creations.
- Play the pick up game. Pour out several small objects on the floor. Have your child try to use the three-finger pincer grip to pick up all the items. Make a game of it. Set a timer and see how quickly you can do it. You can even compete against each other.
- With a paintbrush and a cup of water, paint water picture on the sidewalk on a warm day. Watch as they quickly disappear!
- Find a picture in a coloring book. Use a pencil or crayon to trace along all the lines. Try to stay on the line.
- Practice writing your name. Can you write your name with a beginning capital and the rest lowercase letters?







Handwriting practice lines consisting of a solid blue top line, a dashed red middle line, and a solid green bottom line. Each line set begins with a small cartoon character icon (a blue cloud-like figure and a red figure) to guide letter height and placement.



June Reading Bingo

Read a book with a stuffed animal.	Read a book with a friend.	Read a book under a tree.	Read a book in the dark with a flashlight.	Read a book under the table.
Read a book after dinner.	Read a non-fiction book.	Read a book with your pet.	Read something that came in the mail.	Read a book someone recommends.
Read on a beach towel.	Swap a book with a friend and read.	Read while eating breakfast.	Read in the car.	Read a poem from a children's book of poetry.
Read a book with a blue cover.	Read in a blanket fort that you made.	Read a children's magazine.	Read while wearing a hat.	Read a recipe and make it
Read a book while having a picnic.	Read a book with a red cover.	Read a funny book.	Read on a Saturday.	Read with someone special.



July Reading Bingo



Read something in your room.	Read a book with mom or dad.	Read a book in the bathtub.	Read a book you were given as a gift.	Read a book about a cat.
Read a book with an orange cover.	Read a book about summer.	Read a book while sitting on the stairs.	Read a book with a boy or girl as the main character.	Read a book about an animal that talks.
Read signs while riding in the car around town.	Visit the library and read a book.	Read a book with a red cover.	Read a book at the park.	Read a book on the couch.
Read the instructions to a game.	Read a book by the water.	Read a book about a place.	Read while wearing a swimsuit.	Read a book on a Monday.
Read for 10 minutes.	Read a book about a dog.	Read a book lying on your tummy.	Draw a picture about a book that you read.	Read a book you have never read before.



August Reading Bingo



Read while lying on your back.	Read on a sunny day.	Read by the window.	Read in the kitchen.	Read a favorite book.
Read under an umbrella.	Read without being reminded.	Read in your pajamas.	Read in the closet.	Read a book about a real person.
Read in your bed.	Read before bedtime.	Read a book that is part of a series.	Read with your favorite toy.	Read in a comfy spot.
Read the instructions to a game.	Read a book by the water.	Read a book about a place.	Read while wearing a swimsuit.	Read a book on a Monday.
Read a book about a cat.	Read a book that has won an award.	Read a book at the beach.	Read the words to a song.	Read a book while having a favorite snack.

Summer Packet Grading Rubric

Summer Reading Bingo

- Each board is worth 5 points.
- Total of 15 points in Gradelink for Reading Readiness: Participation

Summer Book List Journal Pages

- Each page is worth 10 points
- Total of 20 points in Gradelink for Reading Readiness: Participation

Summer Family Math Log

- Each activity recorded is worth 4 points
- Total of 20 points in Gradelink for Math Readiness: Participation

Modified Late Enrollment Summer Work

- Complete the August Bingo Board with five activities. Color each activity you completed and turn in your bingo board on the first day of school.
 - Worth 15 points in Gradelink for Reading Readiness: Participation
- Read one book off the summer reading list and complete 1 journal page. Turn in your journal page to your teacher on the first day of school.
 - Worth 20 points in Gradelink for Reading Readiness: Participation
- Complete 2 of the family math activities. Record the activities on the Family Math Log. Turn in the Family Math Log to your teacher on the first day of school.
 - Work a total of 10 points each, for a total of 20 points in Gradelink for Math Readiness: Participation