

Kindergarten Ready Checklist

Small skills that make the first day easier. Practice a few each week, no pressure.

Child's name: _____

School starts: _____

Taking care of me

- ☐ Uses the bathroom and washes hands on their own
- ☐ Puts on a coat and shoes (zippers and buckles count!)
- ☐ Opens a lunchbox, snack bag and juice box
- ☐ Says their full name and a grown-up's phone number

Every day at home

- ☐ Read together for 15 minutes
- ☐ Choose books with characters who look like your child
- ☐ Keep the same bedtime on school nights

Getting along

- ☐ Takes turns and shares with other children
- ☐ Follows two-step directions
- ☐ Uses words to say how they feel
- ☐ Asks a grown-up for help when they need it

Ready to learn

- ☐ Recognizes their own name in print
- ☐ Holds a crayon or pencil to draw and scribble
- ☐ Counts to 10 and knows some numbers
- ☐ Knows some letters and the sounds they make
- ☐ Listens to a short story and talks about it

Practice tracker

Skill we practiced	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun



Every child grows at their own pace. Questions? Talk with your child's teacher or pediatrician. You are your child's first and best teacher!