

A Few Skills to Know BEFORE Entering First Grade (Language and Reading)

- Recognition of all upper and lowercase letters
- All letter sounds
- Write first and last name on lined paper
- Color words
- Number words
- Basic kindergarten sight words
- Read simple sentences
- Rhyming words
- Vowels and vowel sounds
- Word families (-at, -ig, -ot, etc.)
- Two/three-step sequencing
- Capital letters at the beginning of a sentence
- Punctuation at the end of a sentence
- Full address and telephone number

A Few Skills to Know BEFORE Entering First Grade (Math)

- Count forward from 0 to 20
- Count backward from 10 to 1
- Count using “first”, “second”, “third”, etc.
- Addition
- Subtraction

- Recognize shapes (square, rectangle, triangle and circle)
- Recognize numbers to 20
- Write numbers to 20
- Measures using nonstandard units
- Recognizes time to the nearest hour using a digital and analog clock