

## Other Ways to Practice “Kindergarten Readiness Skills”

- Put together puzzles
- Play board games
- Play card games
- Read environmental print (Target, STOP signs, McDonalds, etc.)
- Ask your child to follow a small series of directions. (For example: Put your shoes on THEN tie them.)



KINDERGARTEN,  
HERE I COME!

## Websites to Practice Kindergarten Readiness Skills

<https://www.abcmouse.com/>

<http://www.abcya.com/>

<http://www.starfall.com/>

<http://www.ixl.com/math/kindergarten>



JOHN BARCLAY  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Preparing Your Child for John Barclay Elementary School’s Kindergarten Program

The best way to prepare your child for his/her kindergarten experience is to read to him/her daily and have conversations about stories, new words, etc. Additionally, there are other skills that you can practice that would be beneficial to your child. Please take a little time each day over the summer to work with your child on the skills that are listed inside. The transition into kindergarten will be smoother if you help your child to be prepared.

# Preparing Your Child for Our Kindergarten Program

## Reading

- Recognize and name the capital and lower case letters of the alphabet. (Be sure your child knows the letters out of sequence.)
- Say or sing the alphabet.
- Be able to print your first name using a capital letter at the beginning and lower case letters for the rest of your name.
- Read stories to your child at home and...
  - \* ask questions about the characters, setting, or an event in the story.
  - \* ask your child to retell the story to you in sequence.
  - \* have your child sit still and focused for 10 minutes.
  - \* have your child tell a story about a picture.

*The goal is to help build comprehension skills!*



## Math

- Recognize and write numbers 0 through 10.
- Count out loud to 20. (The teens are always tricky!)
- Name the following shapes: square, triangle, circle, and rectangle.
- Count objects using one-to-one correspondence. (Example: When counting 10 items, touch each item one time only as you count it.)
- Challenge: (for students who have mastered the skills above)
  - \* Practice asking numbers that come before and after other numbers 0 through 10. (Example: What number comes before 7? What number comes after 4?)
  - \* Count backward. (starting at 10... ending at 0)



## Fine Motor Skills

- Practice tying shoes.
- Practice zipping coats.
- Practice opening water bottles.
- Practice opening snack bags.
- Practice coloring in the lines.
- Practice cutting out shapes/pictures.
- Make letters out of play dough or clay.
- Put beads on string.

