

## Kindergarten Readiness Checklist:

- Verbalizes wants and needs
- Works and play cooperatively with peers
- Follows simple rules and directions
- Writes his/her name
- Handles a book
- Performs self-care tasks: restroom, washing, eating, dressing, covering mouth when coughing/sneezing
- Uses scissors, glue and crayons
- Identifies some letters and letter sounds
- Counts to 10 (including counts 10 objects)
- Match items
- Rhymes
- Separates from his/her parents

For a full list from the Indiana Department of Education, please visit:

<https://www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/earlylearning/k-readiness.pdf>

## Early literacy is the foundation upon which a reader is built!

You are your child's first and best teacher. You know more about your child than anyone else does. Learning to read starts before children go to school. If you *talk, sing, read, write, and play* together, your child will be ready to read when she or he starts school.



**Talk:** Children need to receive and create language to learn it.

**Sing:** Singing is a great way to learn about language. When we sing, the sounds that make up words become more evident.

**Read:** Share books together!

**Write:** Scribble, draw and make tactile art.

**Play:** Children experience the world through play while developing fine and gross motor skills, cognitive concepts, language, and social skills.



# Books to Hear Before Kindergarten 2

Recommended books for children ages 0-5.



Every CHILD Ready to READ<sup>®</sup>  
@ your library<sup>®</sup>

  
Jeffersonville Township  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

- Aylesworth, Jim. *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*
- Berkes, Marianne. *Over in the Jungle*
- Boynton, Sandra. *Moo, Baa, La, La, La*
- Bridwell, Norman. *Clifford the Big Red Dog*
- Brown, Margaret W. *The Big Red Barn*
- Brown, Margaret W. *The Runaway Bunny*
- Campbell, Rod. *Dear Zoo*
- Cannon, Janell. *Stellaluna*
- Carle, Eric. *From Head to Toe*
- Carle, Eric. *The Very Busy Spider*
- Cooper, Jenny. *Do Your Ears Hang Low?*
- De la Peña, Matt. *Last Stop on Market Street*
- Diesen, Deborah. *The Pout Pout Fish*
- Eastman, P.D. *Go, Dog, Go*
- Ehlert, Lois. *Growing Vegetable Soup*
- Emberley, Ed. *Go Away, Big Green Monster*
- Fischer, Scott. *Jump!*
- Gray, Kes. *Frog on a Log?*
- Jenkins, Steve. *What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?*
- Johnson, Paul. *Little Bunny Foo Foo*
- Judge, Lita. *Red Sled*
- Katz, Karen. *Where Is Baby's Belly Button?*
- Kraus, Robert. *Leo the Late Bloomer*

- Lester, Helen. *Tacky the Penguin*
- Lionni, Leo. *Swimmy*
- Long, Sylvia. *Sylvia Long's Mother Goose*
- Marshall, James. *George and Martha*
- McBratney, Sam. *Guess How Much I Love You*
- McCloskey, Robert. *Make Way for Ducklings*
- McKee, David. *Elmer*
- McMullen, Kate. *I Stink!*
- Mora, Oge. *Thank You, Omu!*
- Mora, Pat. *Gracias/Thanks*
- Munsch, Robert. *The Paper Bag Princess*
- Murphy, Mary. *Say Hello Like This!*
- Pinkney, Jerry. *The Three Little Kittens*
- Pinkney, Jerry. *The Tortoise and the Hare*
- Riley, Linnea. *Mouse Mess*
- Rinker, Sherri. *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site*
- Schertle, Alice. *Little Blue Truck*
- Schofield-Morrison, Connie. *I Got the Rhythm*
- Seuss, Dr. *The Cat in the Hat*
- Seuss, Dr. *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*
- Shannon, David. *No, David!*
- Shaw, Nancy. *Sheep in a Jeep*

- Steig, William. *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*
- Stoeke, Janet. *A Hat For Minerva Louise*
- Taback, Simms. *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat*
- Thomas, Jan. *Rhyming Dust Bunnies*
- Willems, Mo. *Knuffle Bunny*
- Williams, Sue. *I Went Walking*
- Wilson, Karma. *Bear Counts*
- Wood, Audrey. *Silly Sally*
- Wood, Don. *The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry, and the Big Hungry Bear*

**Other Books We Enjoy:**

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