

Kindergarten Reading Skills

In kindergarten, children begin to grow as independent readers and become more comfortable with reading, which is now part of their daily life. Students read books, the day's schedule, class letters, songs, and poems throughout the day.

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Learns all of the letters of the alphabet (upper case and lower case) and their sounds.

Begins to "read" books themselves, mainly by memorization

Reads and listens to stories and then talks about the stories, including their plots, characters, and events.

Follows words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.

Recognizes and can produce rhyming words.

Recognizes several basic sight words such as I, my, you, is, and are.

Adds or substitutes individual sounds in simple, one-syllable words to make new words, such as replacing the "C" in "Cat" with an "R" to create the word "Rat."

Kindergarten Reading Activities

: Ask your child to "read" their favorite book to you, using their memory, associations, and clues from the pictures.

: Use drawings or pictures from magazines to create an alphabet book with a letter and an object that begins with that letter on each page.

