



Grade Level Benchmark for Kindergarten

The following benchmark outlines the basic expectations of what students are expected to know at the end of this grade level.

Reading/Language Arts

- Use pre-reading strategies
- Predicting story lines and outcomes
- Understand picture walks
- Ask appropriate questions relating to story text
- Read for comprehension
- Activate and use prior knowledge to aid in comprehension
- Distinguish between fiction and non-fiction (real and make-believe)
- Identify story elements: plot, character, setting
- Distinguish between the beginning, middle, and end of a story
- Rhyme words, sing songs, recite poems independently and in group
- Identify beginning and ending sounds from picture cards
- Recognize language patterns
- Read orally on ability level
- Blend and segment onsets and rhymes
- Blend sounds too create syllables and words
- Blend word families including C-V-C, C-V-Ce, and C-V-V-C words
- Classify and categorize words
- Identify and read 31 high frequency words

Mathematics

- Read and write numbers
- Count to 180
- Understand the meaning of basic facts: (addition, subtraction), and fact strategies
- Use fractions: Part-to-whole, part of a set
- Identify number patterns
- Estimate quantities and measures
- Skip count by 2's, 5's, 10's
- Classify and sort
- Identify, extend, and use patterns
- Compare measurement: length, size, and non-standard units
- Estimate length, weight, and capacity