



# Ready for Kindergarten

Write first name	Practice phone number	Practice address	Recite birthday
Identify patterns	Identify colors	Practice scissor skills	Identify some shapes
Practice writing letters	Match uppercase to lowercase letters	Identify lowercase letters	Identify uppercase letters
Count to 20	Rhyme familiar words	Practice writing numbers to 10	Count objects
Read a book with mom or dad	Use comparative (big/small) words	Identify position/direction concepts	Put 3-4 pictures together to tell a story

**Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School**  
**Summer Reading 2019**

**Entering Kindergarten**

**Reading with your child is essential to prepare him/her for Kindergarten. The following is a list of suggested titles to enjoy with your child.**

**Accident by Andrea Tsurumi** When a clumsy armadillo named Lola knocks over a glass pitcher, she sets off a silly chain of events, encountering chaos wherever she goes. ©2017 Grade Level K-3

**Counting on Community by Innosanto Nagara** Counting up from one stuffed piñata to ten hefty hens--and always counting on each other--children are encouraged to recognize the value of their community, the joys inherent in healthy eco-friendly activities, and the agency they possess to make change. A broad and inspiring vision of diversity is told through stories in words and pictures. And of course, there is a duck to find on every page! ©2015 Grade Level K-2

**Fly Guy Presents: Castles by Tedd Arnold**, illustrated by the author Fly Guy and Buzz learn about what it is like to have lived in a castle in this nonfiction reader. ©2017 Grade Level K-2

**Good Day, Good Night by Margaret Wise Brown**, illustrated by Loren Long Reminiscent of the author's beloved Goodnight Moon, share a day - and night- in the life of a busy little bunny. ©2017 Grade Level Preschool-3

**Green by Laura Vaccaro Seeger** How many kinds of green are there? There's the lush green of a forest on a late spring day, the fresh, juicy green of a just-cut lime, the incandescent green of a firefly, and the vivid aquamarine of a tropical sea. 2013 Caldecott Honor Book, Geisel Honor Book, Kirkus Reviews Best Children's Book of ©2012 Grade Level Preschool-1

**Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall** tells the story of life in a lighthouse. Told through full page illustrations, this fascinating picture book tells the story of a dedicated lighthouse keeper and his growing family. 2019 Caldecott Medal ©2018 Grade Level Preschool-3

**If You Give a Mouse a Brownie by Laura Numeroff** If you give a mouse a brownie, he's going to ask for some ice cream to go with it. When you give him the ice cream, he'll probably ask you for a spoon. He'll start drumming on the table. Drumming will get him so excited he'll want to start a band. ©2016 Grade Level Preschool-3

**Not Quite Narwhal by Jessie Sima** Growing up in the ocean, Kelp has always assumed that he was a narwhal like the rest of his family. Sure, he's always been a little bit different—his tusk isn't as long, he's not as good of a swimmer, and he really doesn't enjoy the cuisine. ©2017 Grade Level Preschool-3

**Pete the Cat and the Missing Cupcakes by James Dean** Pete's back, this time in a rhyming counting book that has the cat and his platypus buddy, Gus, solving a mystery: Who's taking the cupcakes for the party? ©2016 Grade Level Preschool-3

**The Red Hat by David Teague** Billy Hightower spends his whole life alone in a skyscraper high above a big city. Then one day, a skyscraper is built next door and a girl moves in. Could she be a friend? But every time Billy tries to reach out to her, the wily Wind gets in his way! Can Billy find a way to outsmart the Wind and make a new friend, or will he be swept away? ©2015 Grade Level Preschool-K

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**Robinson by Peter Sís**, illustrated by the author Exquisite art and a heartfelt story of adventure and friendship come together in this imaginative, magical book. 📖2017 Grade Level K-2

**Shy by Deborah Freedman** "Shy loves birds, but he's only ever read about them in books. When a real bird finally comes along, he's dying to meet her, but he's too afraid to get leave the gutter of the book. Can he put aside his fears, step out onto the page, and get to know her?" 📖2016 Grade Level K-1

**The Thank You Book (An Elephant and Piggie Book) by Mo Willems** Gerald is careful. Piggie is not. Piggie cannot help smiling. Gerald can. Gerald worries so that Piggie does not have to. Gerald and Piggie are best friends. 📖2016 Grade Level K-2

**They All Saw a Cat by Brendan Wenzel** The cat walked through the world, with its whiskers, ears, and paws . . . In this glorious celebration of observation, curiosity, and imagination, Brendan Wenzel shows us the many lives of one cat, and how perspective shapes what we see. When you see a cat, what do you see? 2017 Caldecott Honor Book 📖2016 Grade Level Preschool-K

**Wolf in the Snow by Matthew Cordell** A girl is lost in a snowstorm. A wolf cub is lost, too. How will they find their way home? 2018 Caldecott Medal 📖2017 Grade Level Preschool-1