



Welcome

to

1st Grade

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Hello Kindergarten coming into First Grade!

Soon I will be saying, "Hello First Grader!" Here is a list of supplies for First Grade. I will purchase the binder, copybooks, and 2 folders. I will let you know the cost when school starts.

I can't wait to have you in my class. Have a great summer. Make sure you read lots of books (I gave you a list of good books), practice writing your name, practice your word list (provided), and know your letters and the sounds of the letters, rhyme words, and count up to 50.

Thank you!

- ✎ Plenty of sharpened pencils (at least 10)
- ✎ Glue sticks
- ✎ Plastic placemat
- ✎ thin markers
- ✎ colored pencils
- ✎ 1 folder {of your choice}
- ✎ 1 supply box (not large)
- ✎ 1 pencil case
- ✎ scissors
- ✎ Crayons (a box of 24 is perfect)
- ✎ 1 roll of paper towels
- ✎ 1 box of tissues
- ✎ 1 binder with top loading plastic sheets {teacher will purchase}
- ✎ 2 folders {I will purchase}
- ✎ 4 copybooks {purchase at school}
- ✎ stock up on clear contact to cover books in September (they run out)
- ✎ Girls bring in Clorox wipes (not required, but would be appreciated)
- ✎ Boys bring in hand wipes or diaper wipes.

I	am	little
for	he	we
like	my	have
a	to	is
the	me	with
she	see	look
they	you	of
are	that	do
one	two	three
four	five	here



# First Grade Readiness Checklist

Write first and last name

Identify upper and lowercase letters

Identify letter sounds

Identify rhyming words

Identify syllables in words

Identify, write and count numbers to 31

Identify beginning and ending sounds in words

Read for ten minutes independently

Retell a story using first, next, last

Know joining of sets as addition

Know separating of sets as subtraction

Identify short vowels in words

Read CVC words (cat, map, sun)

Know birthday, address, phone number

Draw pictures and write sentences to match

Identify daily activities that occur on the hour

Identify coins and values

Identify Kindergarten sight words

Compare sets of objects without counting

Identify days of the week and months of the year

# Recommended Summer Reading 2021

## KINDERGARTEN ENTERING FIRST GRADE

***Alma and How She Got Her Name* by Juana Martinez-Neal** When Alma's father shares family stories about the origins of her long beautiful name, she gains an appreciation for its uniqueness and connection to her history. Martinez-Neal uses smudgy graphite and colored pencil to convey a soft palette that gently transports readers into Alma's rich ancestral past. **2019 Caldecott Honor Book ©2018 Grade Level K-3**

***Changes: A Child's First Poetry Collection* by Charlotte Zolotow** As the seasons change, there is new beauty waiting to be discovered. Charlotte Zolotow's classic poems paired with Tiphonie Beeke's lovely illustrations make for a perfect poetry collection for every child. **©2015 Grade Level 1-2**

***Eyes That Kiss in the Corners* by Joanna Ho** A young Asian girl notices that her eyes look different from her peers'. They have big, round eyes and long lashes. She realizes that her eyes are like her mother's, her grandmother's, and her little sister's. They have eyes that kiss in the corners and glow like warm tea, crinkle into crescent moons, and are filled with stories of the past and hope for the future. **©2019 Grade Level K-2**

***Katherine Johnson (You Should Meet)* by Thea Feldman** About a brilliant mathematician who worked at NASA in the early 1950s until retiring in 1986. Katherine's unparalleled calculations (done by hand) helped plan the trajectories for NASA's Mercury and Apollo missions (including the Apollo 11 moon landing). She is said to be one of the greatest American minds of all time. **©2017 Grade Level 1-3**

***Nana in the City* by Lauren Castillo** A young boy spends an overnight visit with his nana and is frightened to find that the city where she lives is filled with noise and crowds and scary things. But then Nana makes him a special cape to help him be brave, and soon the everyday sights, sounds, and smells of the city are not scary—but wonderful. **2015 Caldecott Honor Book ©2014 Grade Level K-3**

***The Proudest Blue* by Ibtihaj Muhammad** With her new backpack and light-up shoes, Faizah knows the first day of school is going to be special. It's the start of a brand new year and, best of all, it's her older sister Asiya's first day of hijab—a hijab of beautiful blue fabric, like the ocean waving to the sky. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful, and in the face of hurtful, confusing words, Faizah will find new ways to be strong. **©2019 Grade Level 1-3**

***Thank You, Omu!* by Oge Mora** Everyone in the neighborhood dreams of a taste of Omu's delicious stew! One by one, they follow their noses toward the scrumptious scent. And one by one, Omu offers a portion of her meal. Soon the pot is empty. **2019 Caldecott Honor Book ©2018 Grade Level K-3**

***Thunder Boy Jr. by Sherman Alexie*** Thunder Boy Jr. is named after his dad, but he wants a name that's all his own. Just because people call his dad Big Thunder doesn't mean he wants to be Little Thunder. He wants a name that celebrates something cool he's done, like Touch the Clouds, Not Afraid of Ten Thousand Teeth, or Full of Wonder. **New York Times Notable Children's Book of the Year ©2016 Grade Level 1-3**

***Truman by Jean Reidy*** Truman the tortoise lives with his Sarah, high above the taxis and the trash trucks and the number eleven bus, which travels south. He never worries about the world below...until one day, when Sarah straps on a big backpack and does something Truman has never seen before. **©2019 Grade Level 1-2**

***When Grandma Gives You a Lemon Tree* by Jamie L. B. Deenihan** When Grandma gives you a lemon tree, definitely *don't* make a face! Care for the tree, and you might be surprised at how new things, and new ideas, bloom. **©2019 Grade Level 1-2**