



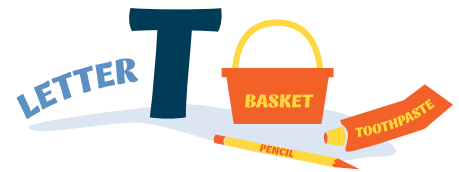
Getting your child ready for kindergarten can be easy!

Try some of these activities with your child:

→ **Create a reading night for you and your child.** Build into your routine a reading night each night or once a week. As you read with your child, point to text and model how to correctly hold the book and turn pages. After reading, ask your child what happened within the story to aid their comprehension skills.



→ **Practice letter sounds by going on a scavenger hunt** for items around the house. To play, place yarn, toothpaste, pencils, tape and tissues in a basket. Ask your child which items begin with the letter T.



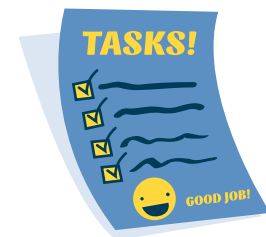
→ **Teach your child to write his/her name.** To start, use a highlighter or light colored crayon to write their name and have your child trace over the letters.



→ **Play "eye spy" with letters and numbers.** To practice identifying letters, such as A, ask your child to go through familiar books and identify all the "A"s in the book.



→ **As your child enters kindergarten,** they will be expected to complete tasks on their own. Encourage your child to complete tasks independently such as tying their shoes, zipping their coat and going to the bathroom to promote their independence.



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