

Let's Get Ready for Kindergarten!



We hope you find this summer packet helpful! Enjoy your summer and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Helpful tips...

- **Flash cards** (Dollar Tree & Walmart have them available)
 - alphabet
 - numbers
 - sight words
 - adding
 - shapes
 - colors
 - rhyming
- **Hernando County Library-** children always find it exciting to get their first **FREE** library card! <http://www.hernandocountylibrary.us>
 - **Reading with the Rays-** baseball incentive program to “read around the bases” and earn cool rewards (even a baseball ticket)!
 - **Kids Summer Reading Events** - fun & free - great way for children to socialize with others and learn about the love of reading! Go online or stop by your local library to get a schedule.
- When working with your child, the typical attention span of a child entering kindergarten is 10-15 minutes.

Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Self Help Skills

Can use the bathroom independently and complete accompanying hygiene tasks
Uses a tissue to wipe nose
Able to dress self (puts on coat, fastens snaps, buttons and zippers)
States full name and age

Social/Emotional Skills

Separates from caregivers without excessive upset
Plays/shares with other children
Waits his turn
Attends to an adult-directed task for at least 5 minutes
Recognizes and responds to other people's feelings
Uses "please" and "thank you"

Language Skills (Expressive and Receptive)

Expresses needs and wants verbally
Speaks in complete sentences (5-6 words)
Is generally understood by adults
Understands and follows two-step directions
Understands positional vocabulary (i.e., on top of, below, next to)

Fine Motor Skills

Holds pencil/crayon in a non-fisted grip
Able to control scissors to complete an intentional task
Traces lines and basic shapes
Copies basic figures such as a circle, square and a straight line

Gross Motor Skills

Runs, skips, jumps, balances on one foot, hops on one foot
Climbs stairs with alternating feet
Walks backwards
Bounces a kickball, attempts a two-handed catch of kickball

Math Skills

Counts from 1-20
Recognizes/points to/identifies basic shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle)
Beginning to count with one-to-one correspondence
Can sort items by one or more attributes
Estimate how many items are in a container

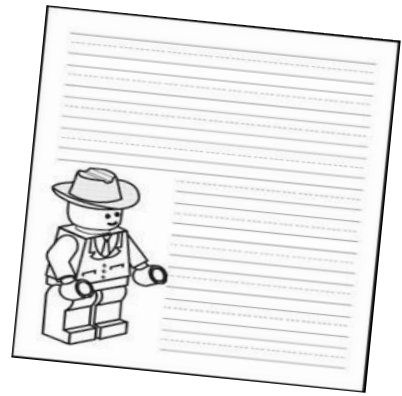
Literacy/Phonemic Awareness Skills

Enjoys being read to/listening to stories (Be able to answer who, what, why, when questions)
Recognizes environmental print (familiar logos, signs and words)
Knows how to handle a book (i.e., holds book right side up, knows where it starts and ends)
Recites the alphabet and identifies some letters and the sounds they make
Recognizes own name in print and tries to print their name using symbols or letters
Able to discern whether two words rhyme or not, may be able to provide a third rhyming word)
Can draw a picture to express an idea



I can write my
name!

Practice below



Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed middle line, repeated five times.

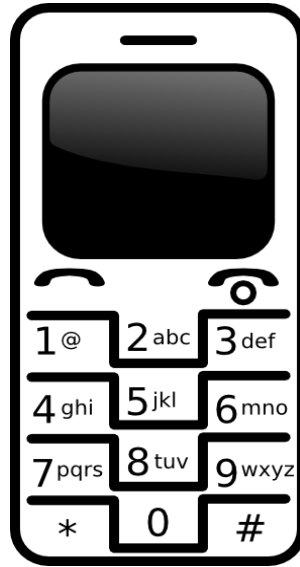
Write Your Address

Write your address on the lines below.

Draw a picture of where you live.



I know my phone number!
Practice dialing your phone number



Practice writing your phone number

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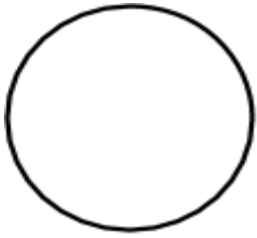
My Birthday is on:

I am _____ years old.

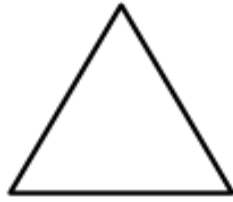
How old will you be on your next birthday? Draw the correct number of candles on the cake.



I know these shapes!



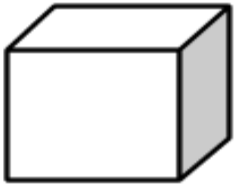
circle



triangle



square



cube



rectangle

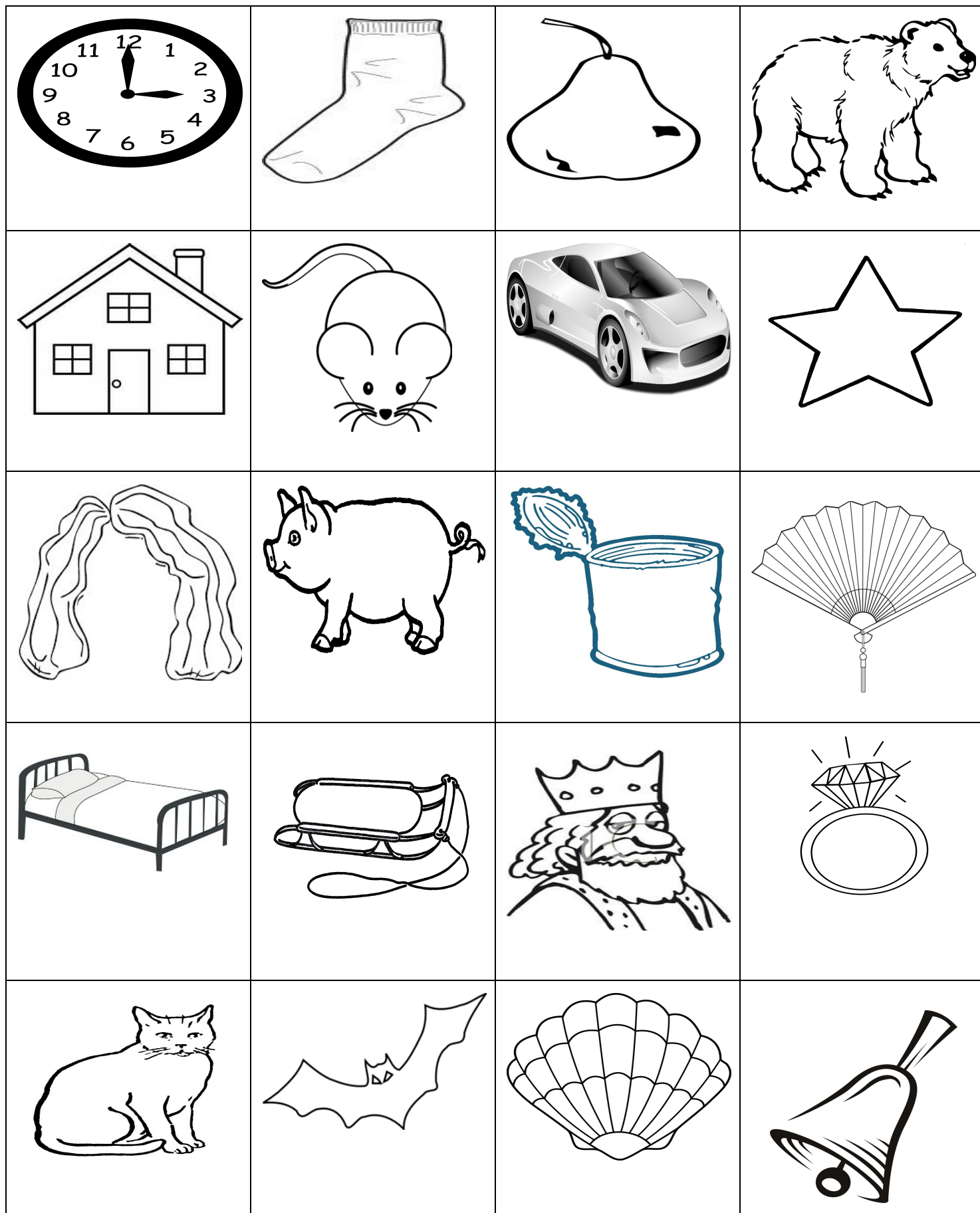


hexagon

Words to know!

a	I	to	the	for
he	like	my	little	am
we	have	of	said	me

Color, cut out the cards, and play a rhyming match game!



Helpful Websites

Storyonline

<http://www.storyonline.net/>

Starfall

<http://www.starfall.com/>

Dr. Seuss

<http://www.seussville.com/>



PBS

<http://www.pbskids.org/games/index.html>

Scholastic

<http://www.scholastic.com/clifford/>

ABCya

http://www.abcya.com/kindergarten_computers.htm

Education.com Math Games

<http://www.education.com/games/math/kindergarten/>

Online Math Facts Practice

www.thatquiz.org

Summer Reading Fun!

Look for these books at the library!

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, by Mo Williams	Bill and Pete, by Tommie de Paola
Knuffle Bunny, by Mo Williams	Caps for Sale, by Esphyr Slobodkina
Go Away Green Monster, by Ed Emberly	The Great Gracie Chase, by Cynthia Rylant
What color is your underwear, by Sam Lloyd	King Bidgood's in the Bathtub, Audrey Wood
Corduroy, by Don freeman	There's An Alligator Under My Bed, by Mercer Mayer
Goldilocks and the Three Bears, retold by Jan Brett	David Gets in Trouble, by David Shannon
The Very Clumsy Click Beetie, by Eric Carle	Captain Duck, by Jez Alborough
Saturday Night at the Dinosaur Stop, by Carol Diggory Shields	The Hat, by Jan Brett

Owl Babies, by Martin Waddell	The Three Little Pigs, retold by Margot Zemach
Mister Sea Horse, by Eric Carle	Big Al, Andrew Clements

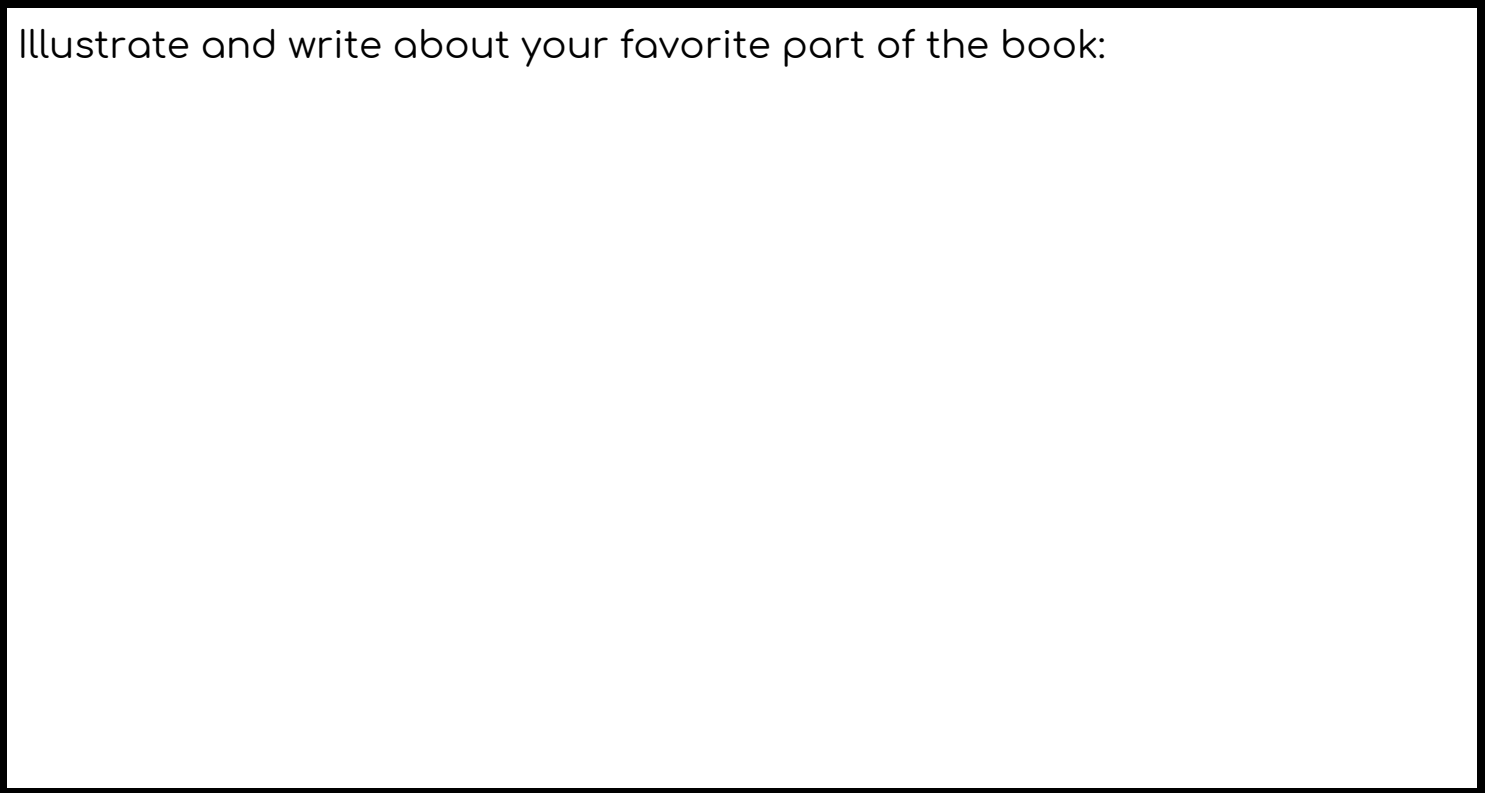
Name

Title: _____

Author: _____

Illustrator: _____

Illustrate and write about your favorite part of the book:





Summer Bingo!

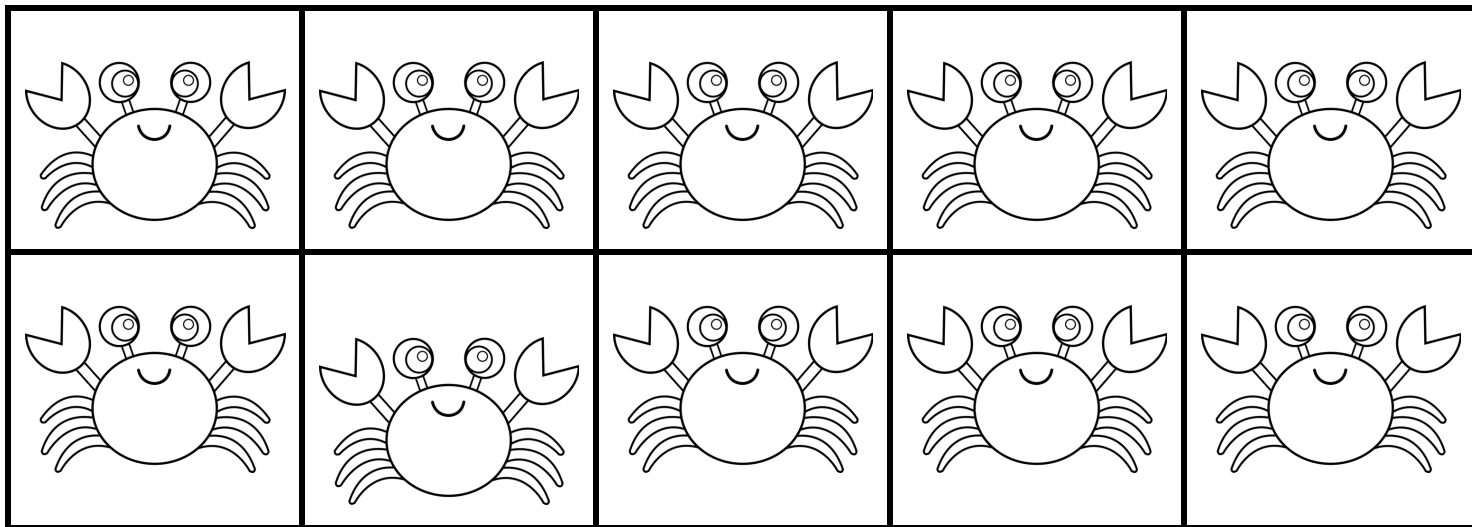


After completing each square, have your child color or place a sticker over the square. Keep going until you fill the chart!

<p>READ A NONFICTION BOOK</p>	<p>Find five things shaped like a rectangle.</p>	<p>Go on a nature walk and use your senses to observe!</p>	<p>Check out a book from the public library!</p>	<p>COUNT OUT 20 PIECES OF CEREAL.</p>
<p>Find 20 toys or objects and sort them by their property: color, weight (heavy/light), shape, texture, size (big/small, long/short)</p>	<p>Pick a great book and do a book report (form attached)!</p>	<p>Read a fairy tale.</p>	<p>Count to 20 laying on your back.</p>	<p>Have your parent place 5 things in a bag (no peeking) & guess what they are by their properties: (size, shape, weight & texture)</p>
<p>Make your own book and read it to a family member or friend.</p>	<p>Find as many pennies as you can and group them by 10s.</p>	<p>Look at the night sky and count the stars.</p>	<p>Go to storylineonline.net to have a book read to you!</p>	<p>Find 5 things that are red.</p>
<p>Make a COLLECTION! Ideas: ROCKS, SHELLS,</p>	<p>Read a counting</p>	<p>Watch the weather and</p>	<p>Pick a great book and do a book report</p>	<p>GROW</p>

BUGS, BLOWERS, Leaves, etc...	book.	draw what you see.	(form attached)!	SOMETHING!
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Crabs on the Beach



Ten-Frame Grid Game

You Need:

- Dice
- Counters: beans, cereal, pennies, or other objects

Directions:

Color the crabs. Roll the die & put that number of objects on the grid. Clear the grid & roll a new number.

- Ask your child to describe their number to you.
 - "My number is 6. It is 1 more than 5. It's 4 away from 10"