

# On My Way to Pre-K

## Activity Book

Draw a picture of yourself.

Preview

# Dear Parents,

Your child will soon be in Pre-K, and you may be wondering what you can do to help your child prepare for this new adventure.

This book contains several simple Pre-K readiness activities that focus on the following skills: identifying colors, shapes, and patterns; describing the positions of objects; counting and number recognition; and rhyming, drawing, and coloring.

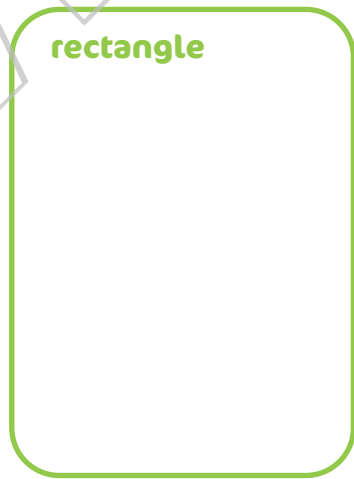
These activities will give you an idea of the things your child will be working on in Pre-K—and of the skills you can help your child develop now.

## Here's how to use this book:

1. Read the directions on each page aloud to your child.
2. Work through each activity together. Be patient and give your child as much time as they need to finish.
3. If your child does not perform a particular skill well, that's okay. Children develop at different rates, and you shouldn't expect your child to do every activity perfectly.
4. At the bottom of each page are suggestions on how you can continue to build your child's readiness skills. Read these suggestions and look for opportunities to further develop your child's skills.

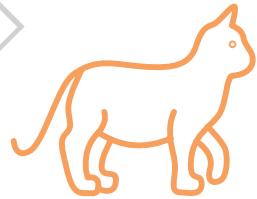
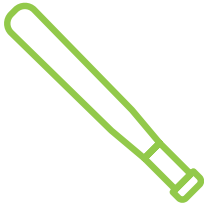
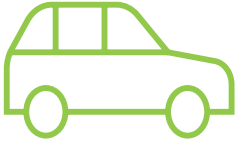
*Be sure to always keep skill-building activities fun—and enjoy this special time with your child!*

Draw the shape in each box below. Then color the square purple. Color the circle red. Color the triangle blue. Color the rectangle orange.



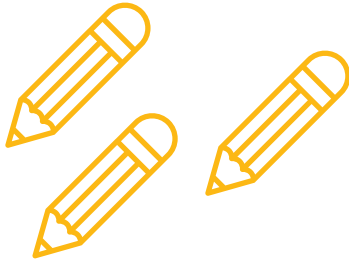
When you're playing with your child, take the opportunity to connect shapes with common objects. "What shape does this block remind you of?"

Draw a line between the objects in each column that rhyme.

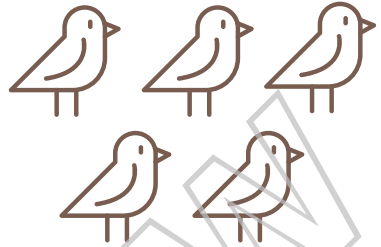


Identifying rhyming words helps children learn letter sounds and patterns of speech. Regularly read nursery rhymes with your child, and pause before the end of a verse to see whether they can guess what the rhyming word will be.

Count how many objects are in each group. Then circle the right number.



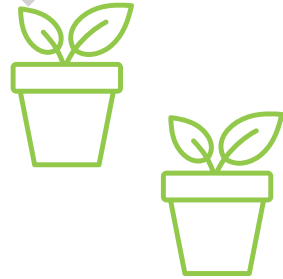
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5 0 7



8 2 4



9 1 2

As your child counts, have them point to each object individually as they say each number. This is an important early math skill called one-to-one correspondence.

Complete the picture.

1. Color the house any colors you like.
2. Draw a yellow sun above the house.
3. Draw a green tree next to the house.
4. Draw a gray cloud under the sun.
5. Draw a red ball beside the tree.



Help your child learn to describe the positions of objects by having them practice in everyday situations. For example:

*"Please put the cup on the table."*

*"Can you place this spoon next to the plate?"*

*"Let's keep this box under your bed."*

Think about what color the blank shape in each row should be. Color it to complete the pattern.

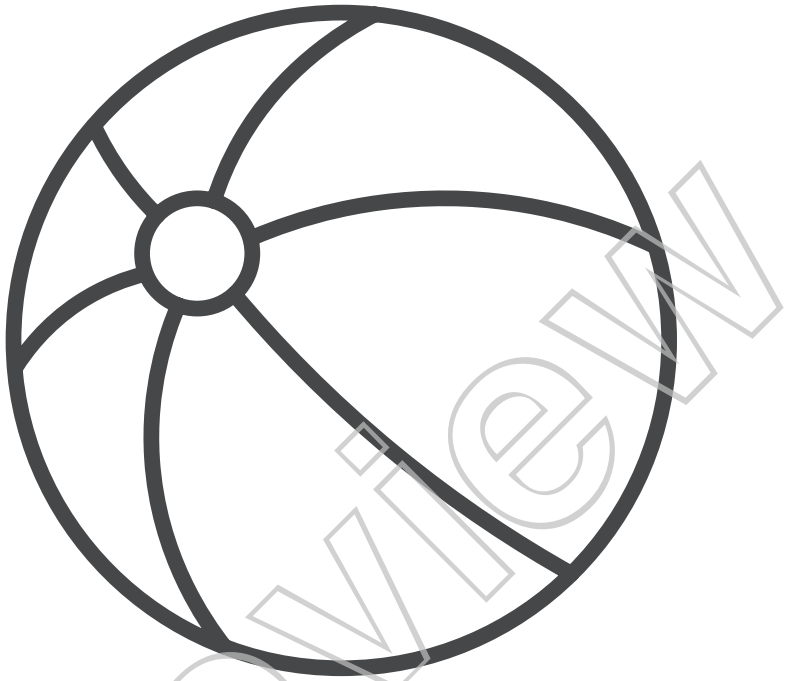


Now make and color your own pattern.



Learning to identify and complete patterns helps children develop skills such as sequencing, making predictions, forming logical connections, and building reasoning skills.

Color the picture of the ball. Try to stay in the lines.



Trace the word BALL. Say each letter out loud.



Children often learn to recognize and write capital letters before lowercase letters. Try having a "letter of the day" with your child. Have them practice writing the letter in both forms and thinking of objects that start with that letter sound.