# Pre-K 4, week 36: ready for kindergarten

This is the last week of Pre-K 4, and a celebration. Your learner plays favorite review games, counts to 20, draws themselves going to kindergarten and looks back at how much they have grown. Use the free kindergarten readiness checklist to choose what to practice next.

**5-minute prep**

- Gather a few drawings and parent notes pages from this year.
- Pick 3 favorite letters and a favorite song from the year.
- Print pages 2 to 5, or skip printing and use the no-supplies swaps.

**Household supplies:** Paper, crayons, this year's drawings, a spoon and a pot (optional). No supplies? Every card has a swap.

## The week at a glance

| Day | Focus | Pieces |
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| Monday | Letters review | Letters I know page, Sound hunt review card |
| Tuesday | Math review | Count it all page, Count to 20 parade card |
| Wednesday | Explore | All the lines page, Look how I've grown card |
| Thursday | Make and move | Me in kindergarten page, Celebration dance card |
| Friday | Story and review | Song of the week, Parent notes page |
| Every day | Read aloud, sing, play outside | Read any picture book together, sing the song of the week, and do a feelings check-in. |

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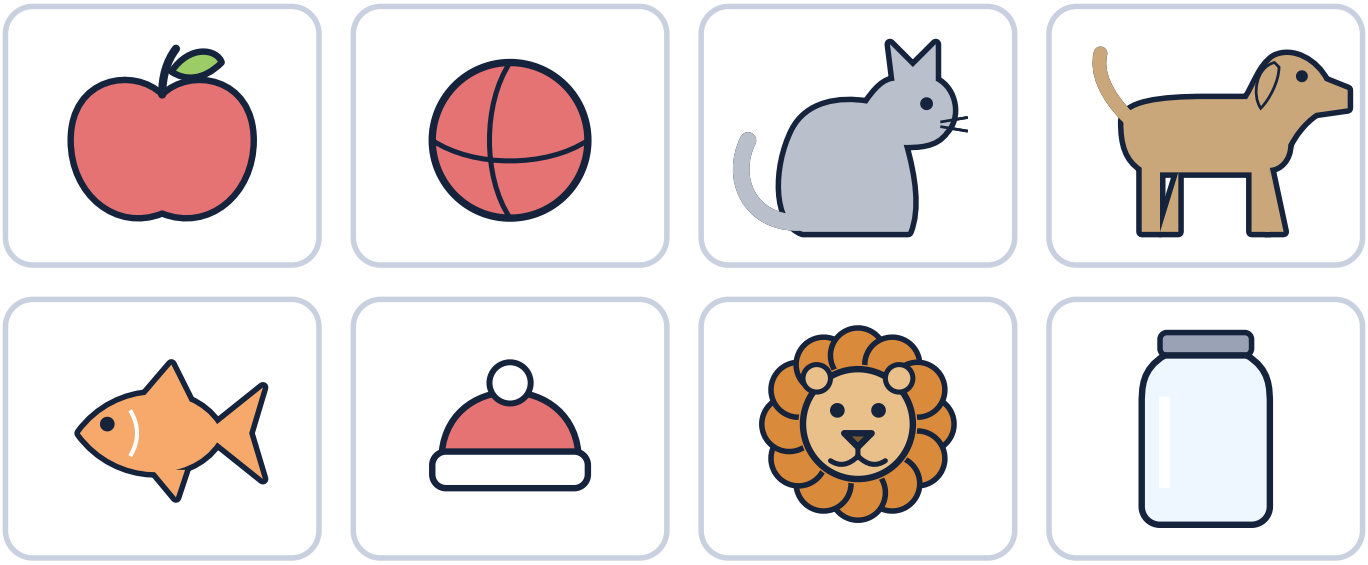
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**Safety**

- Use objects too big to fit in your learner's mouth, and stay close during any counting with real objects.
- Child-size scissors only, with an adult watching. Hand scissors over handle first.
- Choose crayons, markers and paint labeled for young learners (look for the AP seal).
- Adults handle anything hot or sharp.

# Letters I know

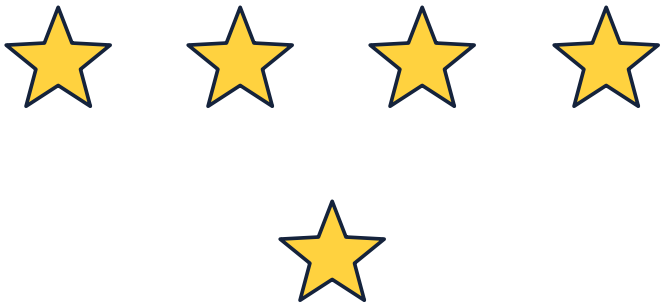
Say: "Name each picture. What sound does it start with?" Your learner names each picture and says its first sound. Color the ones your learner knows quickly, and circle the ones to practice.



**No supplies swap.** No printer? Play "I spy" with first sounds around the house.

# Count it all

Say: "Count each row and color the dots." Your learner counts each group and colors the same number of dots. Then count all the pictures on the page together.

















**No supplies swap.** No printer? Count toys into a box, up to 20.

# All the lines

Say: "Straight, wavy, zigzag. Start at the green dot." Your learner traces a straight line, a wavy line and a zigzag line.



**No supplies swap.** No printer? Make the three lines with string or a finger in flour.

# Me in kindergarten

Say: "Draw yourself going to kindergarten. What will you take? Who will you meet?" Your learner draws in the frame. Write their words under the picture, and keep it for the first day of school.

**No supplies swap.** No printer? Draw on any paper or with chalk outside, and tell the story out loud.



## Sound hunt review

**Time:** 10 minutes · **You need:** Nothing, or a basket

1. Pick 3 letters from this year.
2. Find something in the house that starts with each one.
3. Your learner says the sound and the letter name.

**Easier:** Pick 1 letter. **Next step:** Find something for 5 letters.

**Say this:** "B, b, book. Book starts with b."

**No supplies:** Play "I spy" from one spot in the room.

**Builds: Literacy: phonological awareness · Stay close and keep small objects away from mouths.**

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## Count to 20 parade

**Time:** 5 minutes · **You need:** Space to move, a spoon and a pot for a drum (optional)

1. March around the room and count each step out loud.
2. Tap the drum on every number.
3. Stop with a big cheer at 20.

**Easier:** Count to 10 and stop. **Next step:** Count back from 10 to 0, then cheer.

**Say this:** "Eighteen, nineteen, twenty. Hooray."

**No supplies:** Clap the numbers instead of marching.

**Builds: Math: counting and cardinality · Stay close and keep small objects away from mouths.**



## Look how I've grown

**Time:** 15 minutes · **You need:** This year's drawings and parent notes pages

1. Look at the drawings from week 4 and this week side by side.
2. Your learner tells what they can do now.
3. Use the free kindergarten readiness checklist on UpOnly Learning to pick what to practice over the summer.

**Easier:** Look at two drawings. **Next step:** Your learner picks a favorite activity from the year to do again.

**Say this:** "Look how your drawing has changed. You worked hard."

**No supplies:** Just talk about the year: favorite songs, games and letters.

**Builds: Approaches to learning: confidence and curiosity · Stay close and keep small objects away from mouths.**

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## Celebration dance

**Time:** 5 minutes · **You need:** Space to move

1. Sing a favorite song from this year while you dance.
2. Stop singing: everyone freezes.
3. Start again and end with a high five.

**Easier:** Dance slowly. **Next step:** Freeze in a letter shape: Y, X or T.

**Say this:** "Freeze. Now dance. High five, you did it."

**No supplies:** Needs nothing but space.

**Builds: Approaches to learning: self-regulation · Stay close and keep small objects away from mouths.**

# Song of the week: Ready, ready

I can count and I can sing,
I know letters, everything.
I can ask and I can share,
Kindergarten, I'll be there.

**Actions:** Count on fingers, wave hands in the air, then take a bow. **Try next:** Add a line about your learner's favorite thing from this year.

Original UpOnly Learning words, say or sing it in any rhythm

## Parent notes: what did you see this week?

This is not a test. Tick what you noticed, and practice the rest next week. Keep this page; it stays with you.

| I saw my learner… | Seen it | Not yet |
|---|---|---|
| Says the first sound of 8 picture words | ☐ | ☐ |
| Counts to 20 | ☐ | ☐ |
| Draws a person with a body, arms and legs | ☐ | ☐ |
| Talks about starting kindergarten | ☐ | ☐ |

This is the last week of the year. Next: the free kindergarten readiness checklist. If you have concerns about your learner's development, talk with your pediatrician.

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