

PPA

Summer  
Homework

*Let's get ready for  
Kindergarten!*



Dear Families of **Almost** Kindergarteners,

Though summer break is only a few months long, it is still very important to maintain the incredible academic and personal skills your child has learned and worked so hard on this year. Summer Slump occurs when students lose skills over the summer by not continuing to practice them outside of classroom walls. Summer is also a great opportunity to practice new skills your child may not have mastered yet.

Inside this packet, you will find a variety of activities that will help your child get ready for their big **Kindergarten** year! Take your time spreading activities across the summer. Revisit activities that your child may not be strong in. Lots of practice over the summer will make for a stronger start to your child's first official educational experience.

Remember, play is also important for your child to learn! It is encouraged for your child to have authentic play experiences this summer— especially away from screen time! Encourage your **almost Kindergartener** to read books, visit the park or playground, pedal a tricycle, draw pictures, build towers of blocks, create with playdough, and pretend play!

Have a wonderful Summer!

# Shine In Kindergarten

Can you do the skill in each pair of sunglasses?  
The more you can do, the more you'll shine  
in Kindergarten!



I can zip and unzip my  
backpack!

I can zip and unzip my  
jacket!

I can zip and unzip my  
lunchbox!

I can open up many of  
my common snacks!

I can open up most of  
my common lunches!

I can count to 10  
out loud!

I can identify most  
uppercase letters!

I can say my ABCs!

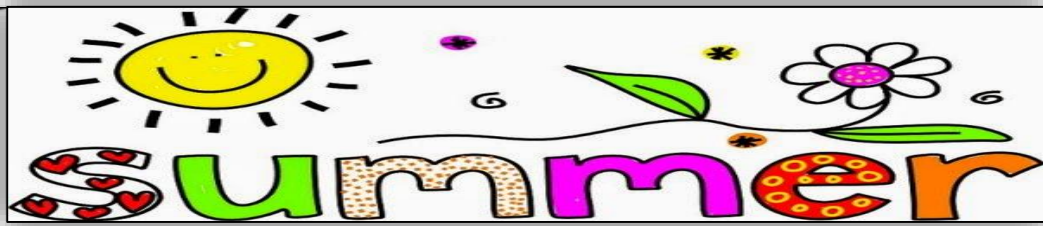
I can recognize my name  
in print.

I can recognize most  
major colors!

I can quietly wait and  
take turns!

I can use scissors  
to cut a line.

I can recognize most  
major shapes!

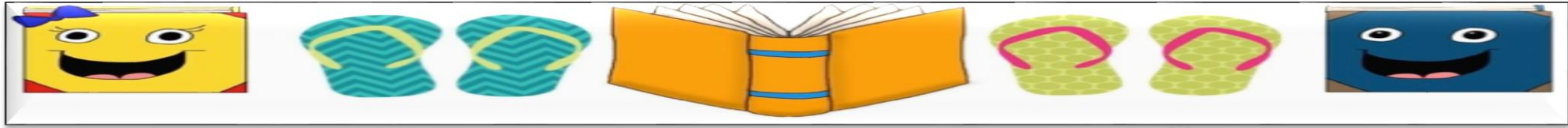


# Kindergarten Prep Activities



Practice writing your name in marker.	Do jumping jacks while counting to 10.	Find 5 things and say their beginning sound.	Find 3 things that are blue.	Draw a picture of your family.
Cut out and glue pictures of animals from a magazine.	Count to 20 out loud.	Draw a picture of your house.	Sing the ABCs.	Find some foods that are red.
Count the doors in your house.	Draw a picture of your favorite toy.	Practice writing your name in crayon.	Describe the weather outside.	Find 2 things that are shaped like a square.
Draw a picture of you, write your name and age on it.	Count 20 pieces of cereal.	Find 3 things that are shiny.	Find 5 things that begin with the /s/ sound.	Cut out and glue pictures of food from a magazine.
Practice writing your name in rainbow colors.	Find 3 things that are cold.	Count how many birds you see or hear.	Draw a picture of your favorite animal.	Cut out and glue capital letters from a magazine.

# Summer Reading Bucket List

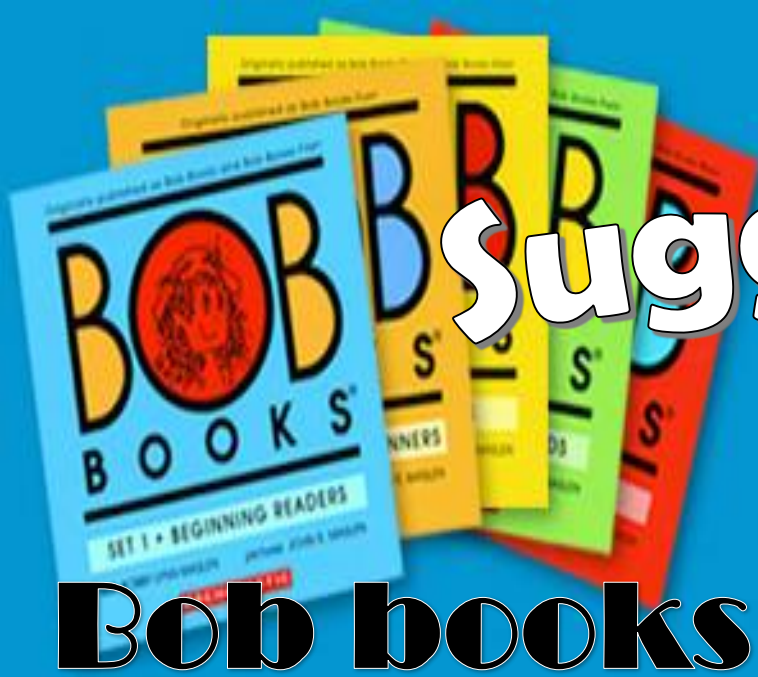


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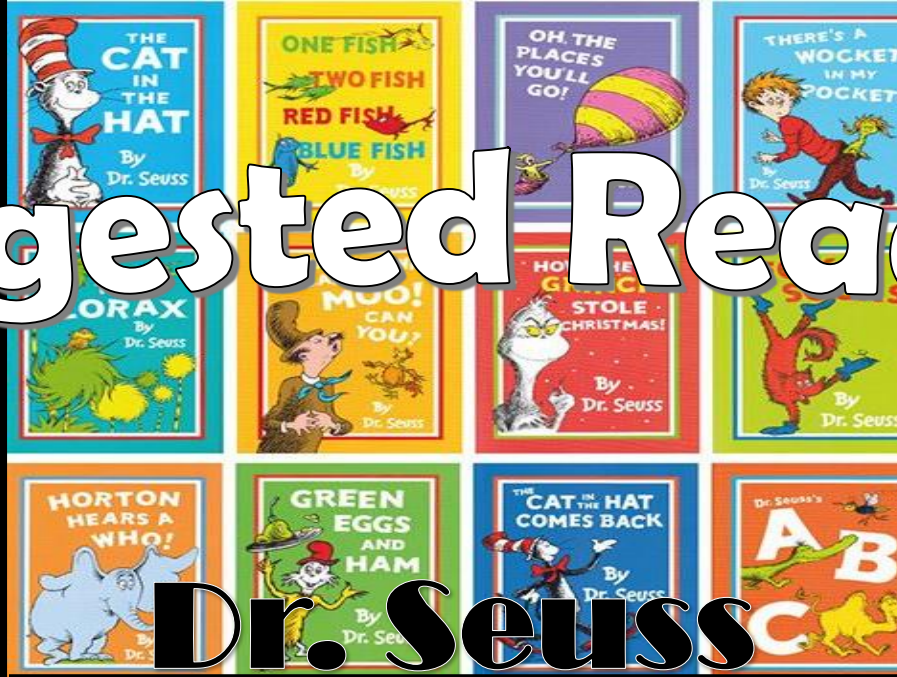
- in a tent
- a book about wild animals
- about a city far away
- at the park
- a book then act it out
- about bugs
- a book to a pet
- a magazine
- by flashlight
- in a blanket fort
- in your backyard
- under a tree
- an ebook
- about space
- about friendship
- a book with your family
- an alphabet book
- a comic book
- a book without words
- in a tree house
- all summer long



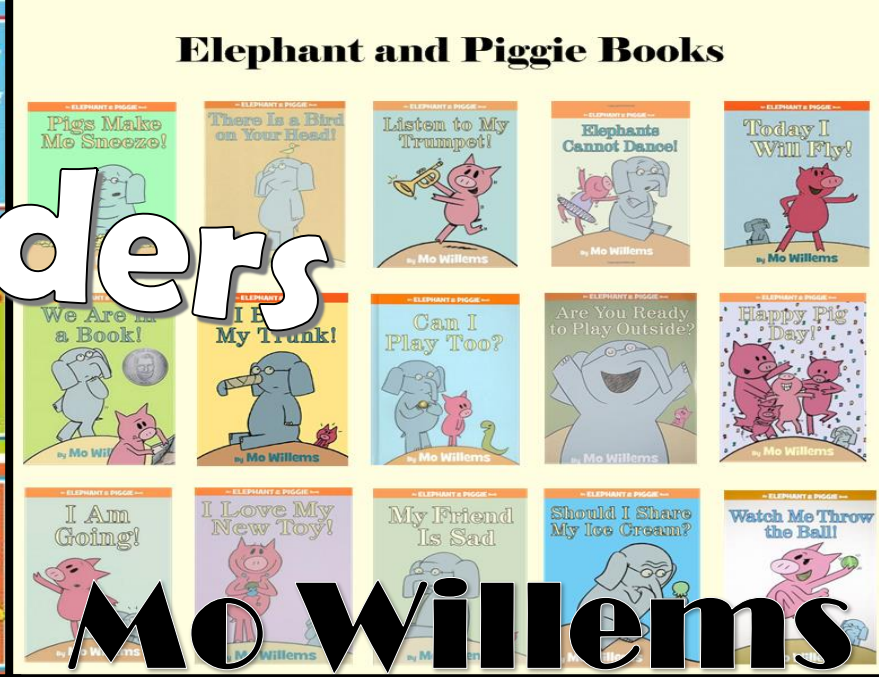
# Suggested Readers



**Bob books**



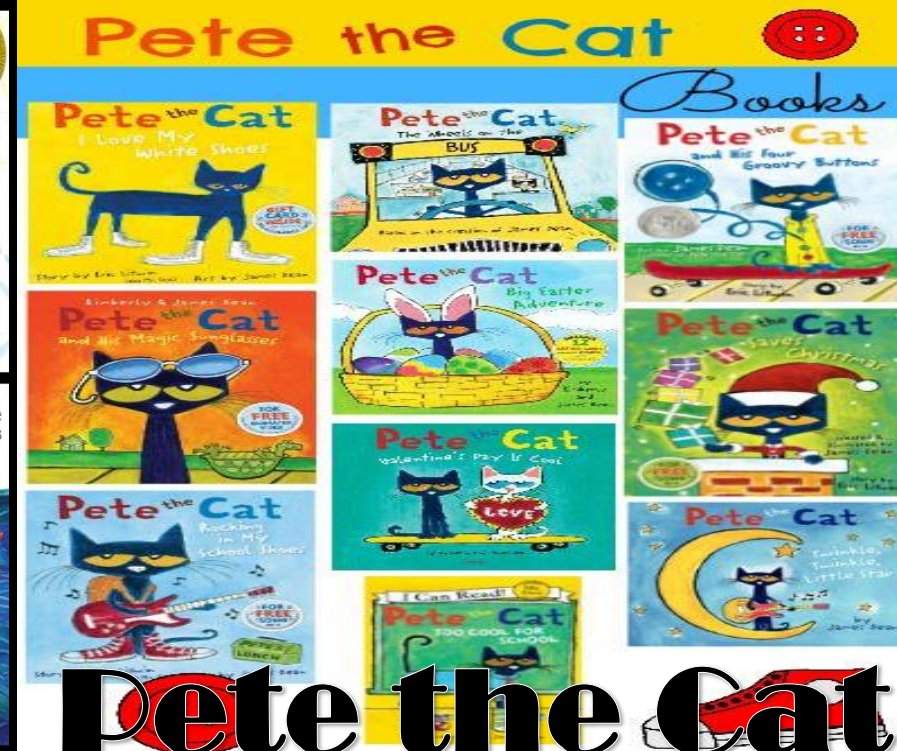
**Dr. Seuss**



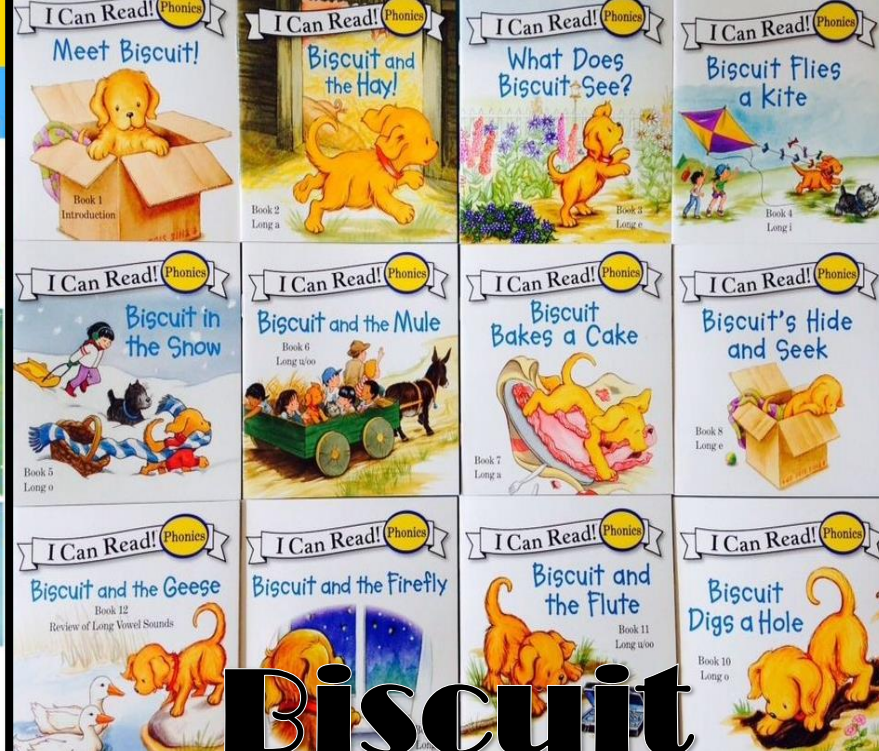
**Elephant and Piggie Books**  
**Mo Willems**



**Eric Carle**



**Pete the Cat**

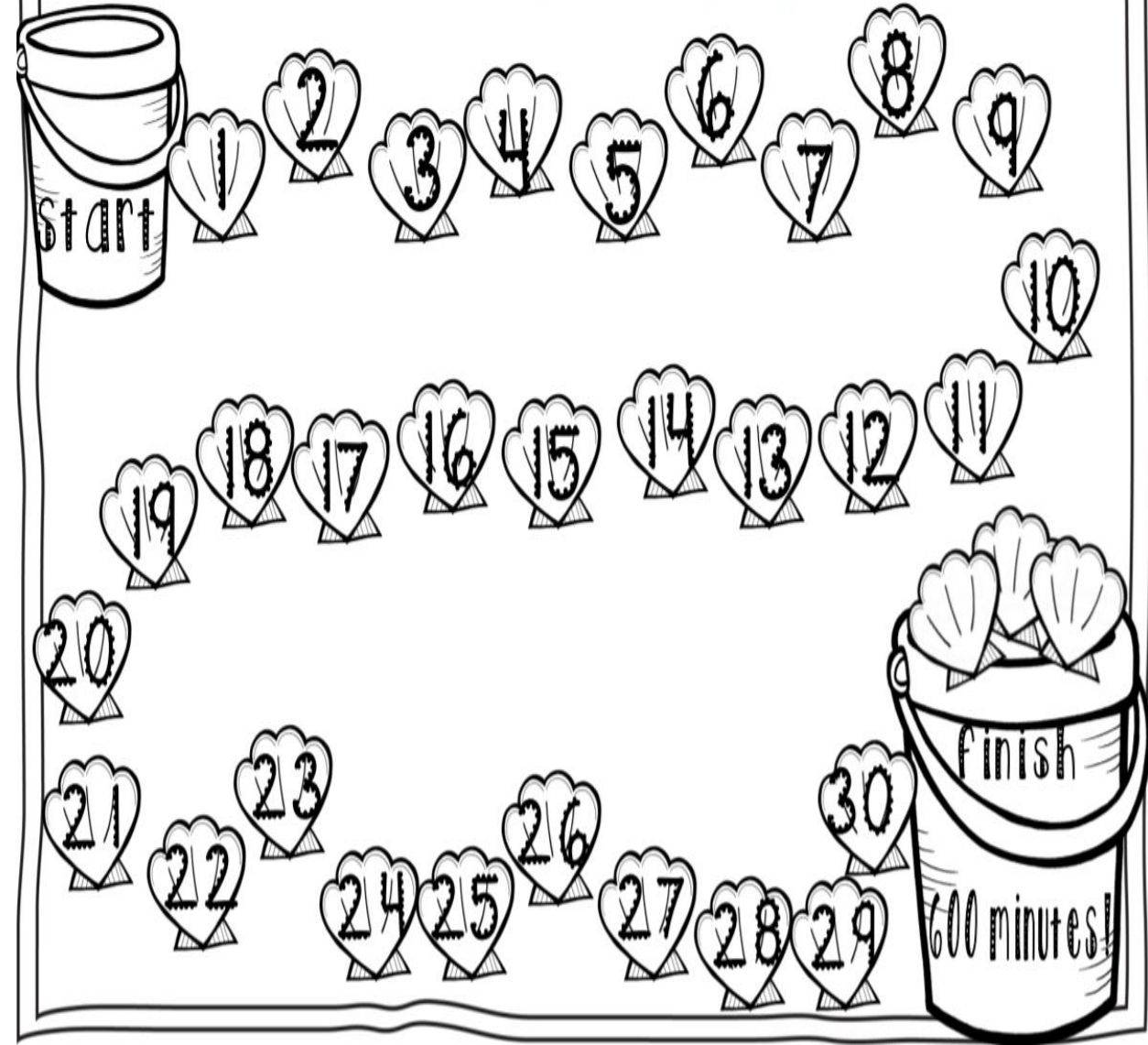


**Biscuit**

# On My Way to Kindergarten!

## June Reading Log

Color in a shell for every 20 minutes you read per day. Can you build a sand castle?

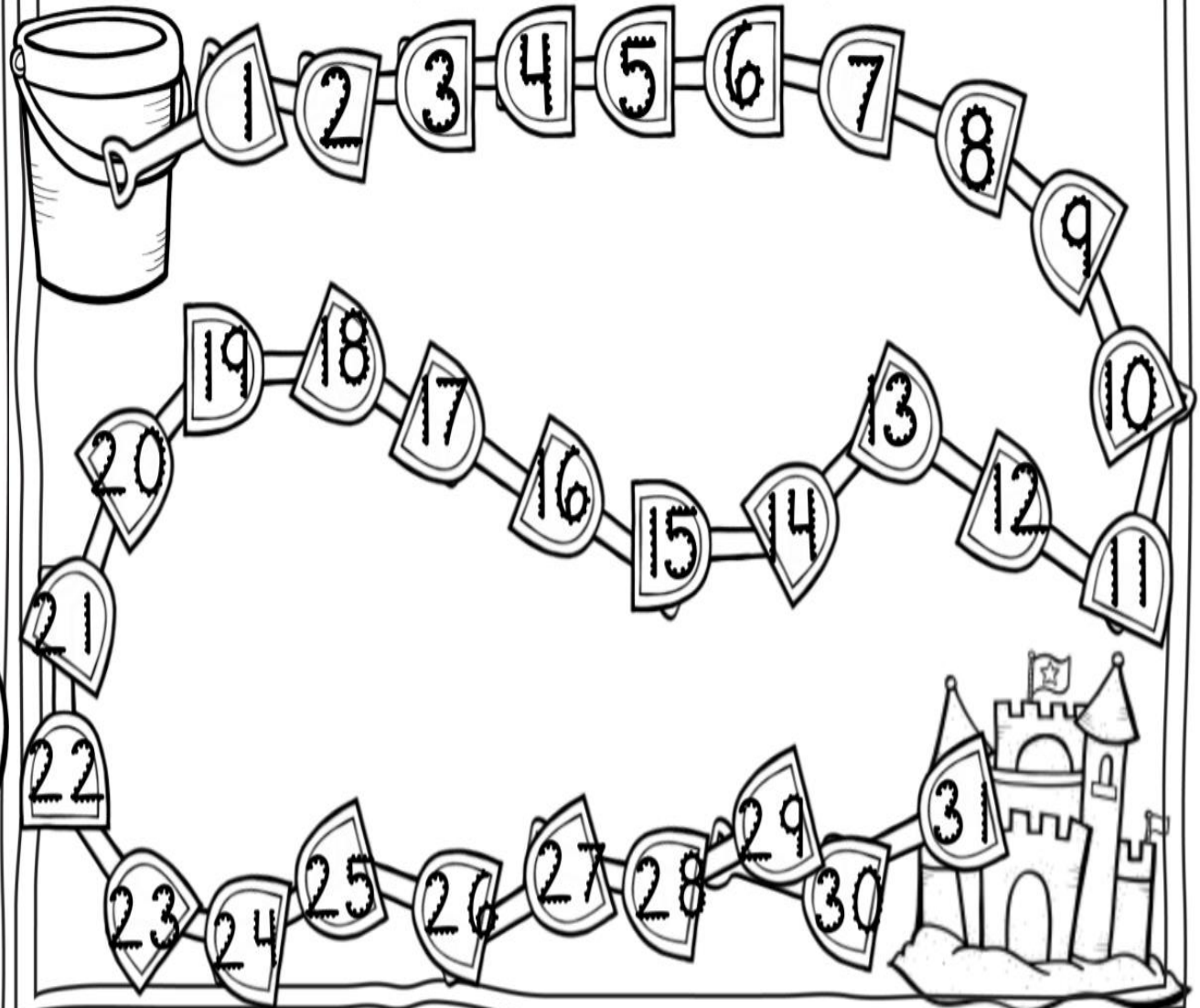


A path of 30 numbered shells starting from a bucket labeled "Start" and ending at a bucket labeled "Finish" with "600 minutes!" written on it. The shells are arranged in a winding path: 1-10 in the top row, 11-20 in the middle, and 21-30 in the bottom row. A sandcastle is partially visible at the end of the path.

# On My Way to Kindergarten!

## July Reading Log

Color in a shovel for every 20 minutes you read per day. Can you build a sand castle?



A path of 30 numbered shovels starting from a bucket and ending at a sandcastle. The shovels are arranged in a winding path: 1-10 in the top row, 11-20 in the middle, and 21-30 in the bottom row. A sandcastle is at the end of the path.

## Phonics iPad Apps



### Word Wizard

With this app, students apply their knowledge of letter sounds to identify and spell words.



### Sound Sorting

With this app, students match words that share the same beginning sounds.



### Hairy Phonics 1

This app teaches students consonant digraphs which are two letters that make one sound. Students practice using these digraphs with fun, interactive activities.

## Reading iPad Apps (Click thumbnail images)



### Farfaria Storybooks

Amazing library of thousands of picture books with new books added every week. This app has a wonderful read-to-me feature with word highlighting to help young readers!



### Epic

Library of more than 10,000 books for children. This app features popular titles, read-to-me, and a reading log so students can track their reading progress. Students also personalize their account with an avatar.

## Math iPad Apps



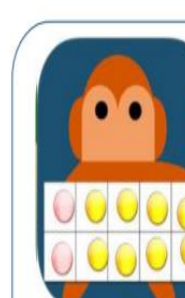
### TouchMath Adventures: Touching / Counting

This app uses multisensory math to teach counting, patterns, and numeral identification.



### TouchMath Adventures: Jungle Addition

This app uses multisensory math to solve addition problems (sums to 18). Upgrading to the paid version of the app exercises additional skills using TouchMath.



### Friends of Ten

This app strengthens students understanding of numbers to ten using a ten frame. It reinforces students understanding of the combinations of numbers that make ten. These skills prepare students for mental + and -.

# Suggested Learning Apps

## Word Work iPad Apps



### Word Wizard

Phonics and spelling app with preloaded lists and option to add your own words.



### Phonics Genius

Fully customizable phonics and word recognition app with over 6,000 words, grouped into 225 categories and sorted by phonics. Flashcards can also be created to practice specific words.



### Art of Glow

Free-form, customizable app that allows students to simply write words with colorful animation.

## Handwriting iPad Apps



### iTrace

Handwriting app that teaches proper formation of: upper-case letters, lower-case letters, numbers, student's name, and words.



### Addimal Adventure

This app uses multiple strategies to teach and practice single-term addition. The strategies used in this app are used in first and second grade classrooms.



### Splash Math

This app covers many math concepts / skills (addition, subtraction, geometry, time, etc.) for a desired grade level. The free version gives a sampling of the content and user experience. The full version is available through in-app purchase.



### Make Ten Plus

This app practices the skill of making ten. The settings can be changed to make the activities more or less challenging - making 100, making 60, etc.