

Tips to Help Your Child Get Ready for KINDERGARTEN

Help your child develop an understanding of math concepts

- Use math language
 - *Example: tall and short, empty and full, near and far, first and last, high and low, in and out, few and many, light and heavy, all and none, hot and cold, same and different, more and less, pair, group, set*
- Practice rote counting
- Practice meaningful counting by having your child touch each object as he/she counts it.
- Practice counting and understanding that when you have counted the last item in a set, that number represents the total amount of objects in a set.
- Use word problems to add and subtract
 - *Example: Jane, Joe and Jim were walking to the store. How many children in all?*
 - *Example: Sally, Sue, and Steve were playing outside. Sally went home. How many children are left?*
- Practice classifying objects by placing things that go together in sets, classify by shape, size, color, texture
- Practice estimating and predicting
 - *Example: Put snacks on a plate and let your child estimate the number, show your child the cover of a book and let the child predict what will happen.*