

Ideas for Four-to-Five Year Olds

Language Development	Social Skills
<p>Knows first and last name and age Expresses wants and needs in words Names basic body parts Names pictures of common objects Listens to stories Follows 2 and 3-step directions Uses 3 - 4 word sentences Speech is understood by a visitor</p>	<p>Follows home and school rules Engages with trusted adults Identifies basic emotions of others Shares in and out of the classroom Maintains brief friendships Begins using problem solving skills Initiates taking turns Plays in a small group (2-3 children)</p>
Fine Motor	Gross Motor
<p>Uses eating utensils Buttons, zips, buckles, laces Uses drawing and writing tools Uses hand motions for songs Holds pencil with finger grasp Draws basic shapes Makes letters or letter-like forms Cuts a straight line with scissors</p>	<p>Throws and catches a ball Runs smoothly and quickly Jumps and spins Stands on one foot Hops on one foot Moves through obstacle course Plays follow the leader Climbs on playground equipment</p>
Reading Readiness	Math Readiness
<p>Pretends to read Sings the alphabet song Recognizes some letters in name Reads some letters Notices some words start with the same letter Decides if two words rhyme Acts out a story after it is read aloud</p>	<p>Counts to 10 Groups objects by color or size Matches common shapes Matches objects with numbers Copies simple repeating patterns Recognizes quantities Compares and measures (big, little, small, large)</p>

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