



School Readiness Checklist (Ages 4–6)

Name: _____

Date: _____

Rating Scale

1 = Not Yet 2 = Emerging 3 = Consistent

Social & Emotional Skills

	1	2	3
Separates from caregiver with minimal distress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Takes turns and shares with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expresses feelings using words	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Follows simple rules and routines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shows empathy toward others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Communication & Language

	1	2	3
Speaks in full sentences (5–6 words or more)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Follows 2–3 step directions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asks and answers simple questions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retells a short story or experience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Understands basic concepts (big/small, first/last)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Early Literacy Skills

	1	2	3
Recognizes some letters (especially in their name)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identifies rhyming words	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Understands that print has meaning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holds a book correctly and turns pages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Early Math Skills

	1	2	3
Counts to 10 or higher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recognizes numbers (1–5 or beyond)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sorts objects by color, shape, or size	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Understands simple patterns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Fine Motor Skills

	1	2	3
Holds a pencil or crayon with control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses scissors with supervision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Draws basic shapes (circle, line, cross)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completes simple puzzles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Gross Motor Skills

	1	2	3
Runs, jumps, and climbs with control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Balances briefly on one foot	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Throws and catches a ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Participates in active play	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Independence & Self-Care

	1	2	3
Uses the bathroom independently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Washes hands properly	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Puts on shoes and simple clothing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opens lunch containers and packages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attention & Learning Behaviors

	1	2	3
Focuses on an activity for 5–10 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Follows directions without constant reminders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transitions between activities with guidance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tries again after making a mistake	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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