

Preparing your child for Kindergarten is as easy as . . .

1 Read to your child.

- Sharing books with your child opens a door to the magic of reading.
- Asking questions about what you read and retelling stories develops early language skills.



2 Count everything.

- Counting objects builds math skills.
- Counting at home and in daily life can be as simple as “How many carrots do you want?” “How many days until Saturday?” “How many times can you jump?”



3 Talk and listen.

- Setting aside time each day to talk and listen to each other will build the foundation for language and writing.



Here are some websites with great information about what to expect in kindergarten and how parents can help their children be successful.

Henderson County Public Schools Kindergarten Registration page: <http://www.hendersoncountypublicschoolsnc.org/elementary-education/kindergarten-registration/>

New York City Department of Education—Common Core Standards Information for Parents: http://schools.nyc.gov/Academics/CommonCoreLibrary/ForFamilies/LearningAtHome/SLH_k8.htm

North Carolina PTA: http://www.ncpta.org/parent/Files/CommonCore_Brochure_Elementary.pdf