

# Is your child ready for school?

Try to look at your child's readiness in all areas of development. Look for 70% success rate. Remember that children develop at different rates and that your child's "stage" is more important than their age.

Can s/he attend to a story and then answer questions about the content?

Can s/he remember a set of 3 directions?

Can s/he distinguish between sounds which are nearly the same?

## Language

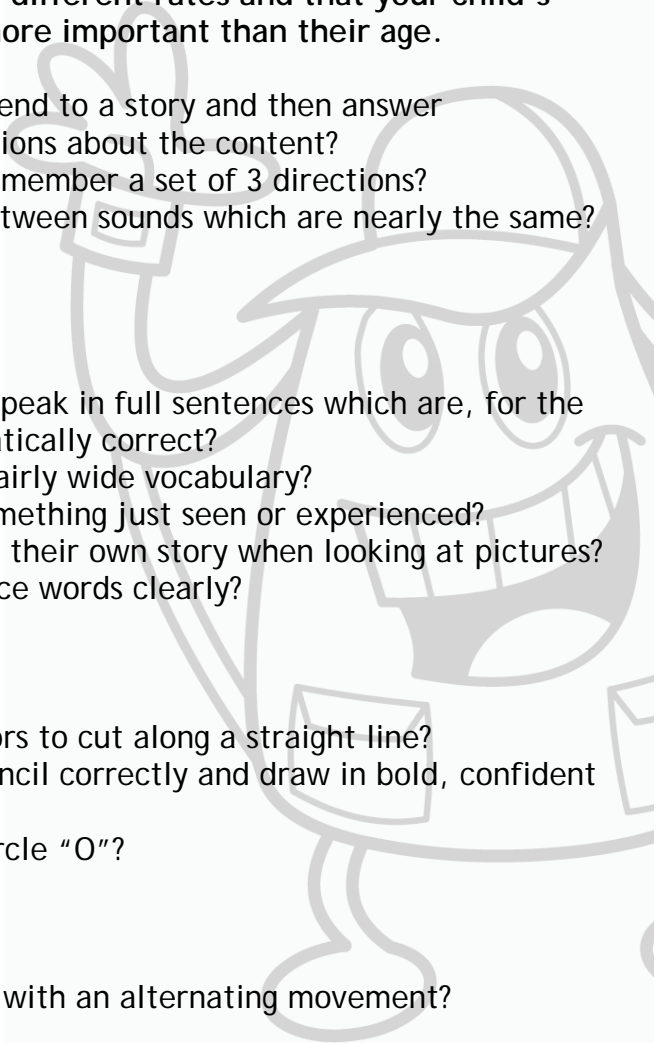
- Does s/he usually speak in full sentences which are, for the most part, grammatically correct?
- Does s/he have a fairly wide vocabulary?
- Can s/he relate something just seen or experienced?
- Does s/he make up their own story when looking at pictures?
- Does s/he pronounce words clearly?

## Manipulative

- Can s/he use scissors to cut along a straight line?
- Can s/he hold a pencil correctly and draw in bold, confident lines?
- Can s/he copy a circle "O"?

## Motor

- Can s/he run well, with an alternating movement?
- Can s/he hop?
- Can s/he climb confidently on outdoor equipment?
- Can s/he catch a large ball and throw a ball with direction?



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## Personal / Social

- Does s/he finish what they start?
- Can s/he work alongside other children without distraction?
- Does s/he play co-operatively with other children?
- Does s/he separate easily from parent?
- Can s/he follow the rules in a group game led by an adult?
- Can s/he share most of their toys and take turns when requested?
- Is s/he starting to be responsible for own belongings?
- Can s/he go to the toilet independently?
- Does s/he know full name, age and sex?
- Can s/he put on shoes and socks independently?

## Cognitive

- Can s/he recognise their first name, when in print?
- Can s/he name colours?
- Can s/he count items 1 - 10?
- Can s/he name shapes?
- Can s/he draw a person?
- Can s/he select a pattern which is different of three?
- Does s/he enjoy looking at books?

