

Developmental Milestones: Cognitive/Emergency Literacy Skills

Child listens to and repeats simple rhymes, songs, and/or finger plays

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Auditory memory
- Expressive language
- Identification of patterns and sequences of language
- Self-confidence
- Singing

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Child listens for rhyming words in stories and/or songs

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Auditory memory
- Receptive and expressive language
- Identification of patterns and sequences of language
- Self-confidence

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Child dramatizes adult-authored stories

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Vocabulary comprehension
- Creativity; imagination
- Expressive language
- Dramatization
- Interpersonal communication

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Child responds to teacher directed conversation related to a story

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Memory recall
- Listening and comprehension skills
- Attention span
- Receptive & expressive language
- Thinking, reasoning, and problem-solving
- Self-confidence

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Child places events from a familiar story in sequence

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Sequencing events
- Thinking, reasoning & problem-solving
- Language & communication
- Visual discrimination

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Child begins to exhibit pre-reading behavior

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Awareness of speech, sounds, & rhyming
- Language & communication
- Vocabulary building
- Print awareness
- Choosing books independently, holds books correctly, & imitates reading behaviors
- Interacts & responds to a variety of books

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Child begins to name or describe their buildings/structures

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Memory recall
- Spatial awareness
- Descriptive vocabulary
- Discrimination of attributes
- Language and communication
- Self-confidence
- Hand dexterity
- Imagination and creative development

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Child is beginning to develop a sense of print

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Language & communication
- Self-confidence
- Thinking, reasoning, and problem-solving
- Print awareness
- Reading/handwriting development

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Child recites and/or recognizes beginning letter and/or all letters in first name

These observations involve the following developmental areas:

- Self-confidence
- Thinking; reasoning
- Visual discrimination
- Memorization
- Identification of letter shapes
- Pre-reading skills

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Child creates own stories through dictation and dramatization

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

- Vocabulary building
- Creativity & imagination
- Expressive language
- Beginning to understand relationship of spoken & written language
- Comprehension
- Verbal development
- Imagination; fantasy play
- Interpersonal play
- Cooperation with others
- Self-confidence

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Child listens to short stories and/or poems

These observations involve the following developmental skills:

Early literacy awareness:

- Attention span
- Awareness of speech, sounds, and rhythms
- Receptive language
- Accumulation of vocabulary words