

Handwriting without Tears (Preschool) Curriculum

Get Set for School® has unique strategies that appeal to different learning styles.

Lessons and Activities Introduced in Developmental Sequence

The Get Set for School curriculum teaches the easiest skills first and then builds on that knowledge. Lessons are taught in a sequence that makes sense developmentally. There is no assumption of prior knowledge. After children master the easier skills, they are ready to move on to more difficult lessons.

Multisensory Lessons

Research demonstrates that children develop through multisensory play.

Activities with hands-on materials - Wood Pieces Set, Roll-A-Dough Letters®, Stamp and See Screen®, A-B-C and 1-2-3 Touch and Flip Cards®, Tag Bags®, Four Squares More Squares®, and the Sound Around Box™ use multiple senses.

Lessons teach a variety of readiness, writing, literacy, and early math skills including directionality, letter recognition, matching, vocabulary, rhyming, imitation, problem solving, patterns, and sequencing.

Children move, touch, feel, and manipulate real objects as they learn the habits and skills essential for kindergarten. Other multisensory lessons in the teacher's guides use Door Tracing, Imaginary Writing, Wet-Dry-Try, music, movement, finger plays and building Mat Man to teach crayon grip, top-to-bottom habits, capital letter formation, body awareness, drawing, and counting skills.



Music and Movement



Mat Man



Door Tracing



Imaginary Writing

Meeting Individual Needs

Skill modeling in different size groups

We know that teacher demonstration and student imitation is essential to Pre-K learning. Throughout the curriculum, children learn on their own as well as with adult demonstration. Activities are structured in whole class, small group, and individually to maximize teaching and learning.

Support English language learners

Every lesson in our teacher's guides supports English language learners. Most lessons emphasize hands-on learning with music and/or movement—elements we know are essential for Pre-K brain development. Other lessons include images associated with the spoken word to foster the language to literacy connection. All of our lessons begin at the introductory level, assuming and requiring no prior knowledge.

