



WHAT IS SCHOOL READINESS

Academic skills: Learning language, literacy, and numeracy.

Physical skills: Developing physical skills like sitting, holding a pencil, and listening to the teacher.

Social skills: Building positive peer relationships, learning to cooperate, and developing empathy and respect.

Emotional skills: Developing self-esteem and coping with change.

Cognitive skills: Developing critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity.

INDEPENDENCE SKILLS

Skills required to prepare the child for school and boost their confidence.

Examples: Tying shoe laces, doing up buttons, zipping and unzipping, opening lunchbox and many more.

FINE MOTOR

Early development of fine motor skills prepares children for classroom demands and boosts academic readiness. Enhancing fine motor skills supports cognitive development and improves hand-eye coordination, which is essential for educational success.

Examples: Pencil grip, cutting with scissors and gluing.

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STEM

STEM is an approach to learning and development that integrates the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Through STEM, students develop key skills including problem solving, creativity and critical analysis.

MATHEMATICS

Children begin exploring basic mathematical concepts like **number recognition, counting, shapes, patterns, categorising, and sorting**. It is important because it **builds foundational skills, boosts confidence, and develops critical thinking and problem-solving abilities**.

LITERACY/PRE-LIT

- **Print awareness:** Understanding that written text on a page represents words that have meaning.
- **Phonological awareness:** Understanding how sounds are combined to make words.
- **Letter knowledge:** Being able to identify and understand letters.
- **Vocabulary comprehension.**
- **Listening comprehension:** Being able to understand what is heard.
- **Motivation to read:** Having an interest in reading.
- **Recognising and writing own name.**