Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Verbal Skills	Gross Motor Skills	<u>Math</u>
Speaks clearly; can be understood without context clues	Runs (with good stamina)	Sorts by color, shape, and size
Speaks in sentences	Skips	Orders several objects based on 1 attribute
Uses appropriate volume when speaking	Hops (on both feet and one foot)	Recognizes simple patterns and can duplicate them
Can express and describe feelings	Gallops	Counts to 20
	Leaps	Counts objects with meaning to 10
Listening Skills	Jumps	Matches numerals
Listens with understanding of directions	Somersaults *advanced skill	Identifies 4 shapes: circle, square, triangle, and rectangle
Follows 1-step & 2-step directions	Pedals and steers a tricycle	Demonstrates understanding of directional concepts (up/down, right/left, over/under)
	Climbs a playground ladder	Shows understanding of and uses comparative words (big/little, short/long, slow/fast)
Reading Readiness	Throws a ball with direction	
Listens well to read aloud stories	Catches a thrown ball with arms and body	Creative Arts
Shows interest in reading-related activities	Bounces a ball	Identifies 10 colors: red, yellow, blue, green, orange, purple, black, white, brown, pink
Understands left to right movement of reading		Explores different art materials
Retells information from a story	Fine Motor Skills	Draws lines and shapes
Sequences 3 pictures to tell a story	Stacks 10 one-inch blocks	Interprets pictures
Uses imagination	Buttons	
	Strings beads	Music and Movement
Alphabet	Zips	Participates in group music experiences
Recites the alphabet	Snaps	Participates in creative movement/dance
Identifies uppercase & lowercase letters	Laces	Plays simple instruments
Matches uppercase letters to lowercase letters	Grasps crayon and pencil correctly	Moves rhythmically to music (dances)
Identifies the sounds each letter makes	Completes a simple puzzle (7+ pieces)	Sings
	Good scissor skills	
Writing	Uses glue neatly	Creative Drama
Uses scribbles to write words or ideas	Uses tweezers	Make believes with objects
Traces letters and numbers	Completes a pattern	Takes on pretend roles and situations
Writes a few letters without tracing	Makes a pancake, snake, and ball from play dough	
Uses pictures to communicate ideas	Copies: vertical line, horizontal line, circle, cross, square, V, triangle	

Social Skills		
Self-Knowledge	Approach to Learning	Self-Control
Correctly states his/her gender and age	Shows eagerness and curiosity as a learner	Follows rules and routines
Recites first and last name	Is persistent in tasks and seeks help with problems	Able to move from one activity to the next without problems
Able to identify birthday	Is pleasant and cooperative	Demonstrates normal activity level
Knows address and telephone number		Expresses self with words, rather than acting out physically
Recites names of parents		
Interaction with Others	Health & Wellness	
Plays well with others	Brushes teeth independently	
Takes turns and shares	Knows how to wash hands	
Cleans up after playing	Can appropriately dress for the weather	
Participates in group activities	Follows proper bathroom procedures	
Interacts easily with familiar adults	Able to put shoes and coat on	
Considerate of other people's feelings	Distinguishes healthy vs. non-healthy foods	
Respects items belonging to others		
Listens when others speak		
Seeks adult help during conflicts		
Uses manners		