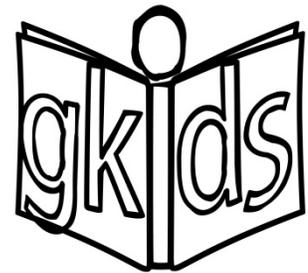
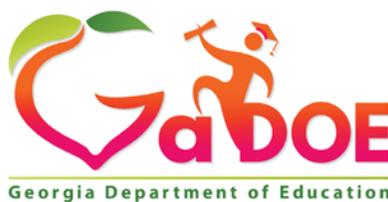


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GKIDS Quick Reference Page: 2016-2017

Who are the contact personnel for GKIDS?

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What is the web address of the GKIDS Data Entry and Reporting Website?

<https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>

GKIDS Reminders for the 2016-2017 School Year

A. There are two options for adding students to the GKIDS database.

- Teachers can manually add students to the database when the website goes online on August 1, 2016. (NOTE: The GKIDS website will be available for teachers participating in Readiness Check training on July 11, 2016.
- Beginning September 20, 2016, teachers may select students from a listing (specific to their school) of students that will be pre-populated in the GKIDS website.

B. Districts should decide whether teachers will manually add students at the beginning of the year or wait until September 20, 2016 to select students from the pre-populated school list. See pages 158-160 for more information.

When are the testing windows/reporting deadlines for GKIDS?

July 11, 2016	GKIDS Website available for teachers participating in Readiness Check Training.
August 1, 2016	GKIDS Website available for general use; teachers may add students manually to the GKIDS database.
Sept. 12, 2016	GKIDS Website goes offline to upload student demographic information from Pre-ID Cycle 1.
Sept. 20, 2016	GKIDS Website goes back online; pre-population feature is available for selecting students from a class list.
May 12, 2017	Deadline for entering student assessment data.
June 9, 2017	GKIDS Website closes for the 2016-2017 school year.

The GKIDS website will remain online through June 9, 2017, so teachers can still access the site to make updates and print reports even after the May 12 deadline. However, only data entered by May 12 will be included in the summary reports generated by GCA. **Note: teachers should print or save the PDF student reports before the end of the school year.**

How do I get a GKIDS login and password?

All system coordinator, school coordinator and teacher information in the website from the previous school year will remain intact unless otherwise requested by systems. Your login and passwords from last year will remain active. New teachers will receive passwords and login information from their school test coordinators. New school test coordinators will receive passwords and logins from their system test coordinators. If you have forgotten your login and/or password, moved to a new school, or are a new system test coordinator, please contact GCA for assistance.

What additional resources are there for GKIDS?

- Assessment and Instructional Guide for GKIDS
- Parent Brochure
- Sample Baseline Assessments
- Skill/Element-Level Recording Form

These resources are posted on the GKIDS page of the GaDOE website:

<http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/GKIDS-Resources.aspx>

For additional instructional support, see the curriculum resources for ELA and Mathematics:

<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Pages/ELA-K-5.aspx>

<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Pages/Math-K-5.aspx>

I. INTRODUCTION TO GKIDS

The Georgia Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills (GKIDS) is a year-long, performance-based assessment. The goal of the assessment program is to provide teachers with information about the level of instructional support needed by individual students entering kindergarten and first grade. GKIDS will allow teachers to assess student performance during instruction, record student performance in an online database, and generate reports for instructional planning, progress reports, report cards, SST, and/or parent conferences. Throughout the year, teachers may assess students and record GKIDS data based on their system's curriculum map or report card schedule. At the end of the year, summary reports and individual student reports will be generated based on the data the teacher has entered throughout the year.

Purpose

The primary purpose of GKIDS is to provide ongoing diagnostic information about kindergarten students' developing skills in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Personal/Social Development, and Approaches to Learning. GKIDS serves as both a formative and summative assessment; it is a tool to assist kindergarten teachers in planning instruction throughout the year (formative), and will also provide a summary of student performance in English Language Arts and Mathematics at the end of the kindergarten school year (summative). GKIDS should serve as one indicator of first grade readiness.

Domains of Learning

There are seven areas or domains of learning that may be assessed as part of GKIDS:

- English Language Arts (mandatory)
- Mathematics (mandatory)
- Social Studies (optional)
- Science (optional)
- Approaches to Learning (mandatory)
- Personal and Social Development (mandatory)
- Motor Skills (optional)

ELA and Mathematics are based on and aligned with the state mandated content standards for kindergarten. Georgia kindergarten teachers (including those from the GKIDS Core Development Team) revised the original GKIDS ELA and Mathematics performance levels and assessment activities to match the wording and intent of the content standards. Some of the closely related standards have been grouped together and will be assessed as a single entry on the GKIDS website (e.g., ELAGSEKRL1, 2, 3: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text, retell familiar stories, including key details, and identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.).

Science and Social Studies are also aligned with state mandated content standards. There are also three non-academic GKIDS domains that contribute to a student's readiness for first grade (Approaches to Learning, Personal and Social Development, and Motor Skills). Assessment of Social Studies, Science, and Motor Skills is optional in GKIDS but may be required in some school systems. The PDF reports generated by the GKIDS database include only the state required domains of ELA, Mathematics, Approaches to Learning, and Personal and Social Development. Systems have the option of requiring only some elements of Social Studies, Science, or Motor Skills to be assessed, all of the elements of these domains to be assessed, or none of the elements of these domains to be assessed.

Academic Domains and Mathematics/ELA Content Standards

The content standards are arranged by domain, strand, standard, and skill. For example, "English Language Arts" is a domain, "Reading Foundation" is a strand within ELA, "Understanding features of print" is a standard within Reading Foundation, and "Follow words from left to right and top to bottom" is a skill within the "Understanding features of print" Standard.

- Domain: ELA
- Strand: Reading Foundation
- Standard: Understanding Features of Print
- Skill: Follows words from left to right and top to bottom

The standards are abbreviated in this manner: ELAGSEKRF1 (a).

- ELA = English Language Arts
- GSE = Georgia Standards of Excellence
- K = Kindergarten

- RF1 = Reading Foundation Standard 1
- a = the first skill within Reading Foundation Standard 1.

Some standards have multiple skills or elements. **In GKIDS, students are assessed at the element or skill level.**

Academic Domains and Science/Social Studies Standards

The standards are arranged by domain, strand, standard, and element. For example, "Science" is a domain, "Life Science" is a strand within Science, "Similarities and differences in organisms" is a standard within Life Science, and "Match pictures of animal parents and their offspring" is an element within the "Similarities and differences within organisms" Standard.

- Domain: Science
- Strand: Life Science
- Standard: Similarities and differences within groups of organisms
- Element: Match pictures of animal parents and their offspring explaining your reasoning

These standards are abbreviated in this manner: SKL2 (d).

- S = Science
- K = Kindergarten
- L2 = Life Science Standard 2
- d = element d within Life Science Standard 2.

Most standards have multiple elements. **In GKIDS, students are assessed at the element level in science and social studies.**

Performance Levels

ELA, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science standards will be assessed using two to five performance levels for each skill/element.

- Not Yet Demonstrated
- Emerging
- Progressing
- Meets the Standard
- Exceeds the Standard

The number of levels was determined by the GKIDS Advisory Committee and will be specific to each skill/element of the standards. The number of

performance levels is based on the range of student performance that can be observed for each skill/element.

Flexible Model of Assessment

In contrast to the previous Kindergarten assessment (GKAP-R), GKIDS does not have specified assessment activities. Instead, the teacher (or local system) decides what assessment activities to use and how frequently to assess. Teachers may use assessment activities that cover multiple skills/elements at one time and/or assess multiple children at a single setting. Teachers may assess by observing student performance during the course of regular classroom instruction or by an assessment activity of the teacher's choice. Because teachers have the freedom to assess according to the individual needs of each student, no accommodation information is collected.

Non-Academic Domains

There are three non-academic areas that can be assessed using GKIDS: Approaches to Learning, Personal and Social Development, and Motor Skills. The Motor Skills domain is optional. Teachers may choose to record motor skills data only for students that demonstrate an area of concern. Students are assessed using the following performance levels:

- Area of Concern
- Developing
- Consistently Demonstrating

Testing Windows

Except for the end of year summary report, there are no state-mandated testing windows for GKIDS. Schools and systems may teach and assess the standards based on their own unique schedules, reporting information at any time as required by the local district.

Testing Dates

Date	Event
July 11, 2016	GKIDS Website available for teachers participating in Readiness Check Training.
August 1, 2016	GKIDS Website available for general use; teachers may add students manually to the GKIDS database.
August 10-19, 2016	Pre-ID Cycle 1 file due from systems to GaDOE Technology (GHSWT, EOCT, GKIDS).
August 25, 2016	GKIDS Pre-Administration Webinar (9:00 AM)
August 26, 2016	Deadline for System Test Coordinators to notify GCA of any new schools and/or school closures for 2016-2017.
August 30, 2016	GKIDS Pre-Administration Webinar (1:00 PM)
Sept. 12, 2016	GKIDS Website goes offline to upload student demographic information from Pre-ID Cycle 1.
Sept. 20, 2016	GKIDS Website goes back online; pre-population feature is available for selecting students from a class list.
January 23, 2017	Mid-year GKIDS student data file posted to systems in the MyGaDOE Portal.
May 12, 2017	Deadline for entering student assessment data.
June 9, 2017	GKIDS Website closes for the 2016-2017 school year.

Testing Materials

Pre-printed test booklets and activity kits will not be provided with GKIDS. This Administration Manual includes an assessment page for each skill/element of the standards. The assessment page contains the standard and skill/element, performance levels for assessing the skill/element, sample assessment activities, and instructional suggestions for teachers and/or parents. These assessment pages are arranged by domain in sections 2-5 of this manual. Some skills/elements also have resource pages that can be used

to assess or document student performance. Teachers may use common classroom materials for assessment activities. Rather than recording student performance on a scannable form, teachers will use the GKIDS Data Entry and Reporting Website.

GKIDS Data Entry and Reporting Website

Beginning on August 1, 2016, the GKIDS data entry and reporting website will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except for scheduled maintenance or unexpected outages due to weather, construction, etc.) for general use. For teachers involved in Readiness Check training, the website will be available beginning July 11, 2016. The web address is <https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>. The website allows teachers to enter and manage data throughout the school year. Teachers can enter data by student or by skill/element for the entire class. See section X of this manual for GKIDS website instructions.

Individual Student Reports

Throughout the year, teachers have the option of generating reports (web page and PDF options) at any time for instructional planning, progress reports, report cards, and SST or parent conferences. On the website, teachers can select a student report by skill/element, by standard, or by strand. The web page version will include data the teacher has entered for all domains. The PDF version will include the four required domains (ELA, Mathematics, Personal and Social Development, and Approaches to Learning). These reports are generated as teachers select them and will include all data entered at that time.

At the end of the year, any of these reports (strand, standard, or skill/element) may be used as the official individual student report within the system. See Section XI of this manual for sample reports.

Summary Reports

Throughout the school year, teachers can select a class report from the GKIDS website. A school coordinator can view class reports, a school report, and search for reports on individual students. A system coordinator can view school reports, a system report, and search for reports on individual students. These reports are generated on the weekends by GCA. They can be viewed at any time, but they will reflect data entered by the date listed

on the report. After the data entry deadline on May 12, 2017, GCA will begin generating school and system summary reports that will be delivered to school systems.

II. PLANNING FOR GKIDS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR

Using the State Content Standards in Instructional Planning

The state mandated content standards represent the knowledge and/or skills students should have by the end of the kindergarten year. Some standards/skills/elements represent activities students should be involved in throughout the school year (e.g., listening to a variety of literature) and some skills/elements represent knowledge students should be learning (reading, counting).

For children to accomplish the standards for kindergarten, they have to be taught the prerequisite skills and conceptual understandings for each standard (e.g., number recognition). Because students entering kindergarten may have from 0-3 years' experience in a preschool setting, instruction and assessment must be paced to fit the needs of each individual child.

As the School Year Begins

- Read the *GKIDS Assessment and Instructional Guide* available on the Georgia Department of Education website. Go to <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/GKIDS-Resources.aspx>
- Familiarize yourself with Performance Level Descriptors for the content areas of GKIDS that you will be teaching early in the school year.
- If you have not previously assessed Approaches to Learning, please read the research materials.
- Familiarize yourself with options for recording data on the GKIDS Data Entry and Reporting website and create your class list.
- Develop a general assessment plan or timeline.
- Determine which skills/elements/content areas to assess in the first six to nine weeks of the school year.
- Contact school P.E. Teacher to plan formal or informal assessment of motor skills (optional).
- If the local system requires other kindergarten screenings and assessments early in the year, use this data for GKIDS when applicable.

Creating an Assessment Plan

Because GKIDS does not have prescribed assessment “windows” for the standards in each domain of learning, local systems will need to establish guidelines based on their system curriculum maps for kindergarten. Sample kindergarten curriculum maps (suggested yearlong pacing guides) for language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science are available at www.georgiastandards.org.

Baseline Assessments

GKIDS does not require a baseline assessment at the beginning of the school year, but baseline assessments may be developed by local systems or schools. To view an example of a baseline assessment using GKIDS performance levels, go to <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/GKIDS-Resources.aspx>

Assessment is Ongoing

Teachers informally assess students throughout the school day (and year) to inform instruction. Assessments take place. . .

- before instruction.
 - to plan learning experiences
- during instruction.
 - by observing and asking questions
- after instruction.
 - to see what children have learned
 - to plan the next instructional step

GKIDS is designed to allow teachers to assess students through ongoing, naturalistic observations that take place daily in the classroom.

Classroom Contexts for Assessment

Rather than a one-on-one assessment of students in a testing context, GKIDS allows for naturalistic assessment of students within normal classroom activities. Whenever possible, teachers are encouraged to assess students in groups in naturally occurring classroom contexts. Examples are provided below:

- Center Time and Work Stations
- Outdoor Activities
- Classroom Routines
 - Calendar Time
 - Attendance
 - Transitions
 - Lunch Room
- Teacher Directed Instruction
 - Directed Reading Time
 - Directed Mathematics Time
 - Language Arts Time
 - Independent Reading Time
 - Playing Games
 - Singing Songs
 - Reading Books Aloud

During the Year: Determining GKIDS Sequence

- Decide which skills/elements would be most helpful to diagnose the instructional starting point of each student. . .
 - using your judgment of the most critical skills students need in Kindergarten.
 - taking into consideration that some skills/elements are more complex and build on the skills taught earlier in the year.
- Plan Multiple Observations.
- Experiment with varied methods of documenting student learning.
- Adjust scope/sequence of assessment as the instructional needs of students change throughout the year.
- Plan assessment sequence throughout the year to match system level requirements (report cards, parent conferences, instructional interventions).

How many assessments of a skill are enough?

Most of the GKIDS Performance Levels for Meets the Standard include the word "consistently." Therefore, one assessment is rarely enough to demonstrate a full grasp of any skill/element in ELA or Mathematics. Several assessments over a period of time are the best way for a teacher to get a true picture of the student's range of skills. Teachers are not required by the GaDOE to enter data in the GKIDS Data Entry Website every time a skill is assessed or every time a student moves from one performance level to the next.

GKIDS Reporting Deadlines

There is no state-mandated reporting window at the beginning of the school year or in the middle of the school year. Systems may develop and require local reporting windows. The deadline for entering GKIDS Data for the 2016-2017 school year is May 12, 2017. By this date, you should have entered data for all of your students in the following domains:

- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Approaches to Learning
- Personal and Social Development

You will enter student data using the GKIDS Data Entry and Reporting System: <https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>. There are no scannable forms to complete or ship. The GKIDS website will remain online through June 9, 2017 so you can still access the site to make updates and print reports even after the May 12 deadline. However, only data entered by May 12 will be included in the summary reports generated by GCA.

III. ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

In this section, you will find assessment pages for the skills in the Kindergarten standards for English Language Arts. Each skill description provides the following information:

- Standard and skill (box on top)
- Performance Level Descriptors (box on the left)
- Assessment Activities (box on the right)

For additional instructional support, see the ELA frameworks units:
<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Common-Core/Pages/ELA-K-5.aspx>

The frameworks are "models of instruction" designed to support teachers in the implementation of state content standards. The Georgia Department of Education, Office of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment has provided an example of the Curriculum Map for each grade level and examples of Frameworks aligned with the standards to illustrate what can be implemented within the grade level. School systems and teachers are free to use these models as is, or to modify them to better serve classroom needs, or to create their own curriculum maps, units and tasks.

Videos and webinars are also available:
<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Common-Core/Pages/ELA.aspx>

English Language Arts: Reading Literary

ELAGSEKRL1, 2, 3: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text, retell familiar stories, including key details, and identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With prompting and support, the student does not ask and answer questions about key details in a text or retell familiar stories.	<p>(1) During a read-aloud activity, prompt students to ask and answer questions about key details in the text. Provide guided questioning techniques as examples for students. Demonstrate that questions always end with a question mark. Focus on questions which begin with the words who, what, when, and where. Don't be afraid to also experiment with higher level questions that begin with how and why.</p> <p>After thorough demonstration and guidance regarding key details and how these key details can be discovered through questioning techniques, provide the opportunity for students to listen to another read-aloud. Challenge them to create their own questions and record their responses. Connect the questions to the evidence from the text, and require the students to demonstrate their understanding of these key details by drawing a picture or writing a short response.</p>
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student begins to ask and answer questions about key details in a text or retell familiar stories.	
Meets	With prompting and support, the student consistently asks and answers questions about key details in a text, retells familiar stories with key details, and identifies characters, settings, and major events in a story.	
Exceeds	The student consistently asks and answers questions about key details in a text, retells familiar stories, and identifies characters, settings, and major events in a story without teacher support and prompting.	

Activities for ELAGSEKRL1, 2, 3

(2) Choose a story to read aloud to the class. Pair each student with a partner, and provide each two-person group with index cards which state the key details of the read-aloud along with several extraneous details that are not a part of the text. Challenge the students to illustrate the key details of the text by placing the cards in order and eliminating the extraneous cards. Allow the students to orally share their solutions by presenting their information to the class.

(3) Using a read-aloud, discuss with the students the characters, the setting, and the major events of the story. Provide the students a story map upon which they will list the main characters, the setting of the story, and at least three major events. Demonstrate how to complete the story map using chart paper or an interactive board. (Students who are not able to write the information on the story map will be allowed to draw pictures on the story map.) Next, challenge the students to identify the conflict evident in the story and illustrate how the conflict was solved.

from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten

English Language Arts: Reading Literary/Informational

ELAGSEKRL4 or RI4: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With prompting and support, the student does not ask or answer questions about unknown words in a text or the student provides irrelevant questions or answers.	(1) Provide a highlighted text using a big book or the interactive board. Choose a text that has unfamiliar words for most kindergarten students. Allow the students to participate in a survey by raising their hands if they think they know the meanings of the highlighted words. Keep a record of their responses. Next, read the text aloud to the students and put emphasis on the unfamiliar words.
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student asks and answers some questions about unknown words in a text, though not all questions or answers may help clarify the meaning of the unknown words.	At the conclusion of the read-aloud activity, ask the students to again make suggestions as to what they think the unfamiliar words mean. Encourage and support students to explain the clues from the story that made them interpret the definition as they did. Provide the correct definitions of the unfamiliar words using a beginner's dictionary.
Meets	With prompting and support, the student consistently asks and answers questions that clarify the meaning of unknown words in a text.	Continue to guide and challenge the students to search for unfamiliar words in texts they explore and to use the strategies employed in this activity to predict meanings. They should check their predictions using a beginner's dictionary.

Activities for ELAGSEKRL4, RI4

(2) Choose an informational text connected to science or social studies. Let the class know that the informational text you are about to read contains unfamiliar words. Let the students know that you want them to raise their hands and ask questions throughout the reading as they hear words which they do not know. Next, read the text aloud to the students, but do not stop to explain the unfamiliar words while reading. As the students raise their hands with questions, pause and write their questions on chart paper, etc. When the read-aloud activity is completed, refer to the list of questions on the chart paper. Ask students if anyone knows the meanings of the unfamiliar words, guiding students with prompts throughout the discussion. Share with the class how to use clues within the text (pictures, other words, etc.) to help determine unknown words. To balance the contextual clues, also provide a beginner's dictionary and share how words are referenced. It is quite possible that the teacher will need to reference a more complex dictionary to truly get all of the definitions, but the students will benefit from how this is accomplished. Challenge the students to choose two of the words and draw a picture of what the words mean.

from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten

English Language Arts: Reading Literary

ELAGSEKRL5: Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not recognize types of text.	Provide students with several examples of literary text (e.g. storybooks, poetry books, etc.) Allow students to work with a partner to select a book. Students will look at their book and determine if it is a storybook or poetry book. Students will then share with the class what type of text they selected and tell why it is a storybook or poetry book, etc. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Progressing	The student begins to recognize common types of texts.	
Meets	The student consistently recognizes common types of texts.	

English Language Arts: Reading Literary/Informational

ELAGSEKRL6, 7 or RI6, 7: With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story or text and define the role of each in telling the story, and describe the relationship between illustrations and the story or text (how illustrations support the text).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With prompting and support, the student cannot name the author and illustrator of a story or text, define their roles, or describe the relationship between illustrations and the story or text.	<p>(1) During whole group instruction, encourage students to name the author and illustrator of the featured story. Prompt students to define the role of the author and illustrator during their discussion. Following their conversations, students can complete a language experience story in which they become authors and illustrators. Have students write their names at the bottom of the story as the authors.</p> <p>(2) Choose a book to be read aloud, but do not show the cover or the pictures. Read the book to the students. Place the students in groups of three and designate a "job" for each student in the group as follows: 1.) draw a picture of the setting; 2.) draw a picture of the main character, 3.) draw a picture of your favorite part of the book. The students in each group will not discuss their individual drawings until each has finished. Next, group</p>
Emerging	With prompting and support, the student names the author and illustrator of a story or can define their roles and is unclear when describing the relationship between illustrations and the story or text in which they appear.	
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student names the author or illustrator of a story or text and defines the role of either and can clearly describe the relationship between some illustrations and the story or text in which they appear.	

Meets	With prompting and support, the student can consistently name the author and illustrator of a story or text, define the role of each in telling the story, and clearly describe the relationship between most illustrations and the story in which they appear.	all of the students together who had the same "jobs."
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Activities for ELAGSEKRL6, 7, RI6, 7

Students will share all of the setting pictures, main character pictures, and favorite book part pictures. Last of all the teacher will share the original illustrations, and the students will evaluate which pictures were closest to what the illustrator really drew. They will explain why the illustrator chose to depict the illustration in the way he/she did.

(3) Provide an opportunity for the students to be authors and illustrators. Select several topics relevant to science and social studies. Inform the class that together, each person in the class is going to write an informational book. Allow the students to form pairs (or you choose the pairs). One student will be the author and the other will be the illustrator. Working together and with teacher support, the students should create a mini-informational booklet. (Suggested topics for selection: science- the sky, rocks, dirt, 5 senses, motion, animals, plants/ social studies-the flag, the Statue of Liberty, holidays, The White House, The Pledge of Allegiance, jobs). One student will be the author and provide the words and the other student will be the illustrator and provide the pictures. (A technology/research integration is perfect at this juncture as students could look up information about their topics and print pictures to support the illustrations.)

(4) Using common topics from science and social studies, provide for the student's topics written on note cards. Working in small groups with teacher support, the students will take each topic and brainstorm about what they already know. Together the group will create a small informational booklet containing the facts they have learned. They will then illustrate the facts. The students will share their booklets with the class and explain the relationship between the illustrations and the text.

from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten

English Language Arts: Reading Literary

ELAGSEKRL9: With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With prompting and support, the student does not compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	<p>Read and reread familiar stories to students. For example, read <i>The Three Little Pigs</i> and <i>The Three Billy Goats Gruff</i>. Using a Venn diagram, prompt students to compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of the characters from both stories by describing how they are different and how they are alike. Encourage students to use comparing and contrasting words as they compare and contrast the characters' adventures and experiences.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student compares (but does not contrast) the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	
Meets	With prompting and support, the student consistently compares and contrasts the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	

English Language Arts: Reading Literary/Informational

ELAGSEKRL10 or RI10: Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not engage in group reading activities.	<p>(1) Establish a purpose for reading. Students visit the media center and select appropriate books for reading (storybooks, poetry books, fairytales, informational texts, etc.). After the reading has taken place, students will use drawings and writings as they share what they have read with the class.</p> <p>(2) The teacher will model using comprehension strategies to understand informational text. Provide opportunities for students to engage in reading informational text that challenges their instructional reading levels and discuss what they have read.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student begins to engage in group reading activities.	
Meets	The student actively engages in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	

English Language Arts: Reading Informational

ELAGSEKRI1, 2, 3: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text, identify the main topic (main idea) and retell key details of a text (supporting details), and describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With prompting and support, the student does not ask or answer questions about key details in a text, identify the main topic, or retell details of a text.	<p>(1) The teacher will read a book aloud to the class and guide the class to participate in a 3-2-1 activity that will allow them to ask and answer questions about key details in the text. A 3-2-1 activity is: three things they discovered, two things they found interesting, and one question they still have. Students respond to the 3-2-1 activity in writing and share answers with a partner.</p> <p>(2) Using informational texts aligned to kindergarten topics in science and social studies, guide the students in the differences apparent in the different types of text. For example, science text is organized differently from social studies text. Overall, the point of this task is to begin to explore how informational text is not always the same. Share often with students how the topics of these texts are different. Hide the covers of several informational books and allow the students to see the pages and pictures only.</p>
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student asks and answers questions about key details in a text, and identifies the main topic OR retells details of a text.	
Meets	With prompting and support, the student consistently asks and answers questions about key details in a text, identifies the main topic, retells key details of a text, and describes the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.	

Activities for ELAGSEKRI1, 2, 3

Ask students to decide what the main topic of the text would be based on details gleaned from the pictures. Then reveal the covers and see how many students are correct. This also is an excellent way to begin the task of tying evidence to details inside a text to prove a point.

(3) After reading aloud a text to students, the teacher will offer opportunities for the class to respond to the text in various ways, including writing, art, dramatic play, music, readers' theatre, videos, debate, or pantomime. The students will choose to describe the connections that they discovered in the text.

from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten

English Language Arts: Reading Informational

ELAGSEKRI5: Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify the front cover, back cover, or title page of a book.	Provide the students with many examples of informational texts. Label each text's front cover, back cover, and title page. Tell the students that they are going to write their own books about an informational topic (choose something pertinent to the content being discussed in science and social studies). Each student should design the front cover, back cover, and title page of his or her book. Later, the students may add information (pages) in order to provide content for the book, but the overall object of the task is for students to connect the purpose of each part of the book. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Progressing	The student identifies the front cover, back cover, OR title page of a book.	
Meets	The student consistently identifies the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.	

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ELAGSEKRI8: With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify reasons an author gives to support points in a text.	<p>The teacher will read an informational book to the class. After reading the book, the teacher will question the students regarding what has been learned about the text. Using the big book as a display, underline the main point the author provides in the text with colored chalk. Use a different colored chalk to show the supporting details. The teacher will then help the students create a graphic organizer to visually see the main idea and supporting details. The teacher will lead the students in a class discussion about the information generated.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student identifies one reason an author gives to support points in a text.	
Meets	With prompting and support, the student consistently identifies the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.	

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ELAGSEKRI9: With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic.	<p>Read aloud different versions of a fairy tale to the class. After the read-aloud activity, the students will complete a graphic organizer (two hula-hoops can serve as the graphic organizer) to compare and contrast the different versions of the fairy tale. The students will share similarities and differences while the teacher is writing the statements on sentence strips. The students will then place their responses on the Venn diagram. After all students have had a chance to respond, the teacher will engage the students in a discussion about the completed graphic organizer.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	With prompting and support, the student identifies at least one similarity in OR difference between two texts on the same topic.	
Meets	With prompting and support, the student consistently identifies basic similarities in AND differences between two texts on the same topic.	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF1: Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

a. Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page-by-page.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not track text from left to right or top to bottom.	<p>The teacher will have a short poem printed on chart paper and read the poem aloud to the students moving his/her hand under each word as it is read to focus attention on print and demonstrate left to right progression. The teacher encourages the class to echo read the poem several times again, having students take turns using a pointer to track the print as the poem is read. After several practices using a short poem, the teacher will model using a big book moving page by page. The students will be encouraged to participate in choral and echo reading of several pages. The students will again take turns using a pointer to track print page by page.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student tracks text from left to right OR top to bottom, but not both.	
Meets	The student consistently demonstrates tracking text from left to right, top to bottom, and page-by-page (e.g., by pointing, touching each word, sweeping hand across and down the page, or turning to the next page).	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF1: Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

b. Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.

c. Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by letters or understand that words are separated by spaces in print.	1) The teacher will provide an opportunity for the students to engage in a model speaking and writing activity to help students understand that anything spoken can be written. The teacher says a sentence and then writes the sentence on chart paper. The students will participate in echo reading the sentence several times. Then the students will copy the sentence in their writing journals. Students will begin to write their own sentences and read them to a partner.
Progressing	The student recognizes that spoken words are represented in written language by letters but may not understand that words are separated by spaces in print.	
Meets	The student consistently recognizes that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters AND understands that words are separated by spaces in print.	

Activities for ELAGSEKRF1-b

(2) The teacher will have a morning message for the students written on the board. The teacher will select several students to add a sentence to the morning message. Encourage the students to help you compose a space between two words. Students may use their thumb or the end of a pointer as they count and point to the words in the sentences. The teacher will lead class in reading of the sentences.

from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF1: Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

d. Recognize and name all upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not recognize and name any letters.	Provide daily letter recognition activities, such as using student's names, alphabet books, songs with letter pictures, letter sorting activities, letter guessing games, letter puzzles, and letter writing activities. For example, write the names of the students on chart paper; guide students as they read the names and say the letters in each name. Students can also be given wipe-and-write boards to practice writing the uppercase and lowercase letters of the alphabet in each name. Encourage students to write and read previously taught high-frequency words. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Emerging	The student recognizes or names 1 - 35 upper or lower case letters.	
Progressing	The student recognizes and names 36 - 51 upper or lower case letters.	
Meets	The student consistently recognizes and names all 52 upper and lower case letters.	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

a. Recognize and produce rhyming words.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not recognize or produce rhyming words in response to an oral prompt.	Read and reread a variety of nursery rhymes and poetry books identifying rhyming words. For example, reproduce rhyming words from nursery rhymes or poetry books. Have students identify the pairs of words that rhyme and illustrate words for a class book <i>Rhyming Words</i> . Encourage students to read the book with a partner. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Progressing	The student recognizes some rhyming words OR produces some rhyming words in response to oral prompts.	
Meets	The student consistently recognizes rhyming words AND produces rhyming words in response to an oral prompt.	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

b. Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not count, pronounce, blend, or segment syllables in spoken words.	<p>The teacher will select several multisyllabic words from a read-aloud text. Have students listen to the words and count, clap, or tap the number of syllables in the spoken words. Students are then guided to put the words together and pull them apart by pronouncing, blending, and segmenting the syllables in the pre-selected words (e.g., bed and spread, bath and tub, foot and ball, etc.).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student counts, blends or segments some syllables in spoken words.	
Meets	The student consistently counts, pronounces, blends, and segments syllables in spoken words.	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

c. Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.	<p>The teacher will place two letters on the board or table: a and t. Model and have the children blend the two sounds. Say: at. Using onset and rime cards the teacher will place the onset, the letter /s/ card, before the rime, -at. The teacher will now model how to blend the two sounds and read the word. The teacher will now demonstrate how to use other onset cards to make new words. The students will practice in small groups and record their new words to share with the class. The teacher will record the new words on chart paper.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student produces individual sounds but does not blend the sounds together to read the one-syllable words.	
Meets	The student consistently blends and segments onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

d. Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel-consonant, or CVC) words. (This does not include CVCs ending with /l/, /r/, or /x/.)

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify sounds in spoken words.	<p>The teacher will say words to the students and they will identify the initial, medial, and final sounds of the spoken word. Students will write the letter that stands for each sound that they hear in the spoken word.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Emerging	The student identifies some initial sounds in spoken words.	
Progressing	The student identifies initial and ending sounds in spoken words.	
Meets	The student consistently pronounces beginning, medial, and final phonemes in three-phoneme words.	

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ELAGSEKRF2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

e. Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.	<p>The teacher will say one-syllable words to the students. Students will be asked to add or substitute individual sounds to create new words. The teacher will write the new words on chart paper. The students will then select two of the newly created words and make sentences to say orally with a partner. Encourage students to write their newly created words and sentences in their journals.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student begins to add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.	
Meets	The student consistently adds or substitutes individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF3: Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

a. Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences for each consonant.

b. Demonstrate basic knowledge of the long and short sounds for the five major vowels.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not produce correct sounds for consonants or vowels.	<p>(1) The teacher will have a list of consonants posted on chart paper. Lead the students to say the name of the consonant and the sound. The teacher will begin to lead the students in recognizing words and objects that begin with the same letter. Encourage students to demonstrate their knowledge of letter sounds as they write in their journals.</p> <p>(2) After reading a book aloud to the class, make a chart of the long and short vowel words heard in the book. Students will practice reading the words on the chart and identifying the long and short vowel sounds.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Emerging	The student produces some correct sounds for consonants or vowels.	
Progressing	The student produces correct sounds for most consonants and vowels.	
Meets	The student consistently produces correct sounds for each consonant AND the long and short sounds for the five major vowels.	
Exceeds	The student consistently produces all consonant and vowel sounds (including the hard and soft sounds of "c" and "g" and the various sounds of "y").	

English Language Arts: Reading Foundation

ELAGSEKRF3: Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

c. Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.	<p>The teacher will have words from the same word family listed on chart paper. Students will identify how the words are alike and how they are different. Students will identify the sounds of the letters that are different. Students will take turns circling the letter that is different. The students will generate a sentence using one of the words and write the sentence in their journals.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student begins to distinguish between some similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.	
Meets	The student consistently distinguishes between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.	

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<p>ELAGSEKRF4: Read common high-frequency words by sight (e.g., the, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do, does); read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	<p>The student does not read common high-frequency words by sight or emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.</p>	<p>The teacher will provide students with emergent-reader texts that contain previously taught high-frequency words. Students will select a book to read with a partner. Students will make a list of the high-frequency words found in their book. Encourage students to use these words in their writing and in their conversations.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Emerging	<p>The student recognizes some high-frequency words by sight but does not yet read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.</p>	
Progressing	<p>The student can read most high-frequency words by sight and begins to read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.</p>	
Meets	<p>The student can consistently read high-frequency words by sight and emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.</p>	
Exceeds	<p>The student reads high-frequency words and emergent-reader texts with mastery and reads more complex texts with purpose and understanding.</p>	

English Language Arts: Writing

ELAGSEKW1: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are “writing” about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g., *My favorite book is...*).

ELAGSEKSL5: Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use drawing, dictating, or writing to compose opinion pieces.	<p>Students will be given the opportunity to select their favorite book from a list of books that have been read aloud to them. Students will write and illustrate, “My favorite book is....” using a combination of drawings, scribble-writing, letter-like forms, dictating, and writing as they compose opinion pieces about their favorite book. Students will share their writings with the class.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Emerging	The student describes a drawing but does not state an opinion or preference.	
Progressing	The student uses drawing and/or dictating to compose opinion pieces, naming the topic of the “book” and stating an opinion or preference about the topic or book.	
Meets	The student consistently uses a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces, naming the topic of the “book” and stating an opinion or preference about the topic or book.	

English Language Arts: Writing

ELAGSEKW2: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic.

ELAGSEKSL5: Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use drawing, dictating, or writing to compose informative/explanatory texts.	<p>The teacher will read and reread an informational text to the students and will guide the class in using drawings, dictations, letters, and phonetically spelled words to create meaning as they write about what has been read to them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student uses drawing and/or dictating to compose informative/explanatory texts.	
Meets	The student consistently uses a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which some information about the topic is given.	

English Language Arts: Writing

ELAGSEKW3: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.

ELAGSEKSL5: Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use drawing, dictating, or writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events.	<p>The teacher will provide students with events from a story already read aloud. The events are written on large sheets of paper. The teacher will read the events to the students. Working in groups, the students will use dictating, drawing, and writing to tell about the event and provide a reaction to what happened. Once the groups have completed the assignment, all students will sit in a circle and share their event. The teacher will lead the group in putting the events in order. The teacher could display these in the front of the room allowing the students to change out the order of the sheets of paper as other students share.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student uses drawing and/or dictating to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events.	
Meets	The student consistently uses a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tells about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provides a reaction to what happened.	

English Language Arts: Writing

ELAGSEKW5: With guidance and support from adults, the student responds to questions and suggestions from peers and adds details to strengthen writing as needed.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not respond to questions or suggestions from peers.	<p>The teacher will model conducting a writing conference with a student during whole group. Be sure to discuss the writing with the student before the class demonstration. The teacher will ask the student to reflect upon his/her work and then to identify a single area of improvement to focus on. The teacher also points out to the student areas of improvement. Students may practice this strategy with a friend with the guidance of the teacher.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	With guidance and support from adults, the student responds to some questions from peers.	
Meets	With guidance and support from adults, the student consistently responds to questions and suggestions from peers and adds details to strengthen writing as needed.	

English Language Arts: Writing

ELAGSEKW6: With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of tools to produce and publish writing, including digital tools in collaboration with peers.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With guidance and support from adults, the student does not use a variety of tools to produce and publish writing.	<p>Lead the class in publishing a class book about a topic. Students may use Microsoft Word, Publisher, Movie Maker, Photostory, etc., to complete the project by using simple word processing and invented spellings with teacher assistance as needed. Students may also use other publishing methods including a variety of paper, pencils, markers and other writing and illustration tools. Once the book is completed, the students will take turns reading the book.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	With guidance and support from adults, the student begins to use a variety of tools to produce and publish writing, including digital tools in collaboration with peers.	
Meets	With guidance and support from adults, the student successfully uses a variety of tools to produce and publish writing, including digital tools in collaboration with peers.	
Exceeds	The student fluently uses a variety of tools to produce and publish writing, including digital tools in collaboration with peers without guidance or support from adults.	

English Language Arts: Writing

ELAGSEKW7, 8: With guidance and support, participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them), and recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	With guidance and support, the student does not participate in shared research and writing projects and does not recall or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.	(1) The teacher provides a topic such as, how is where you live different from where other people live? With support and guidance from the teacher, the students will engage in research by looking at different books about other places. The students will begin to work in groups to gather information. During the gathering of information, students may use drawings or other graphic features to help aid in presenting information orally to the class.
Progressing	With guidance and support, the student begins to participate in shared research and writing projects, and recalls or gathers some relevant information from provided sources to answer a question.	(2) The teacher will pose a question to the class (e.g., Why are leaves turning a different color? Why is the weather changing?) With support and guidance from the teacher, students will research possible answers to the questions using their experiences, videos, field trips, observations, interviews, the internet and/or informational text about the seasons; the teacher leads the class in an oral discussion to answer the original questions presented from the gathered information; students will use drawings, letters, and phonetically spelled words to create meaning and report their findings. Students will read their writings to the class.
Meets	With guidance and support, the student consistently participates in shared research and writing projects, and consistently recalls information from experiences and/or gathers information from provided sources to answer a question.	from <i>Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>

English Language Arts: Speaking & Listening

ELAGSEKSL1, 6: Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups, and speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.

a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).

b. Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not follow agreed-upon rules for discussions or continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.	The teacher will lead the students in practicing a conversation with multiple back-and-forth exchanges regarding class topics and texts. The teacher will lead the students in practicing a conversation with multiple exchanges and listening. (e.g., a conversation with a restaurant worker, a conversation with a 911 operator, and reporting what just happened on the playground to your teacher). <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Progressing	The student begins to follow agreed-upon rules for discussions AND begins to continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.	
Meets	The student consistently follows agreed-upon rules for discussions AND continues a conversation through multiple exchanges.	

English Language Arts: Speaking & Listening

ELAGSEKSL2, 3: Confirm understanding of written texts read aloud or information presented orally or through media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood; ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not ask or answer questions to confirm understanding of information or to seek help.	Students will participate in a "show and tell" presentation during a large group activity. Following the presentation, students will be encouraged to ask and answer questions about the information presented. For example, a student has brought in pictures of his/her new puppy; before the presentation, students will be reminded of the agreed upon rules for class discussions (listening and taking turns, etc.). Following the presentation, students will be encouraged to ask questions about the new puppy in order to get more information, or to clarify something that they do not understand. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Progressing	The student begins to ask or answer questions to confirm understanding of information or to seek help.	
Meets	The student consistently confirms understanding of orally-presented information by asking and answering questions to clarify something that is not understood or to seek help.	

English Language Arts: Speaking & Listening

ELAGSEKSL4: Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not describe familiar people, places, things, and events.	<p>The teacher will lead the class in a group writing experience to describe the cafeteria. The teacher will provide basic details about the cafeteria and engage the students in providing additional details. Once the group writing experience is completed, students will draw pictures of their descriptions of the cafeteria (e.g., workers in the cafeteria, pictures in the cafeteria, etc.). They will use letters and phonetically spelled words to create a sentence about their illustrations. Students will share their writings and participate in an echo reading of the group writing activity.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student describes familiar people, places, things, and events, but does not provide additional detail upon prompting.	
Meets	The student consistently describes familiar people, places, things, and events, and can provide additional detail.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

a. Print many upper- and lowercase letters.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not print any upper- and lowercase letters.	<p>Students will contribute to a class alphabet book, printing upper and lowercase letters and drawing pictures to match the sound of each letter. Place the class book in the book center so that students can read and reread for enjoyment and use as a reference to identify letters and letter sounds.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student prints some (e.g., 1-35) upper- and lowercase letters, but they are limited to letters in the student's name.	
Meets	The student consistently prints many (e.g., 36-51) upper- and lowercase letters.	
Exceeds	The student consistently prints all upper- and lowercase letters.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

b. Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.

c. Form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ (e.g., dog, dogs; wish, wishes) when speaking.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use frequently occurring nouns and verbs or form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ when speaking.	<p>(1) During morning message, show and tell, language experience, etc., encourage students to use frequently occurring nouns and verbs in their speaking and writing.</p> <p>(2) The teacher will guide students in a read-aloud activity while looking for plural nouns. Have students snap their fingers when they hear plural nouns read aloud. After the read-aloud activity is completed, the students will help the teacher create sentences using the plural nouns in the story.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student uses frequently occurring nouns and verbs but does not form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ when speaking.	
Meets	The student consistently and correctly uses frequently occurring nouns and verbs, and forms regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ when speaking or writing.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

d. Understand and use question words (interrogatives) (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use question words (interrogatives).	<p>Students will dictate to the teacher questions about an upcoming event such as a field trip or book character day. After the event has occurred, students will select three of the questions to answer orally. Students will then write the answer to their questions using drawings, letters, and phonetically spelled words.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student begins to use question words (interrogatives).	
Meets	The student correctly uses question words (interrogatives).	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

e. Use the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, of, by, with).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not correctly use the most frequently occurring prepositions.	Use a class mascot or other object to demonstrate that a preposition is anywhere our class mascot Polly (the stuffed parrot) can go. Use a digital camera to take pictures of Polly on the table, in a lunch box, etc. Use media tools for composing a book about Polly and her adventures with prepositions. Students will echo read the book created by class. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Progressing	The student begins to correctly use some frequently occurring prepositions.	
Meets	The student correctly uses the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, of, by, with).	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

f. Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.	<p>Write very simple complete sentences on chart paper. Review that which comprises a complete sentence with the students. Ask the students to expand the sentence by adding additional words to the sentence. Provide an example. Write the expanded sentence on the chart paper. Allow students to read the sentence to see if it makes sense. Revise the sentence if needed. Let students work in pairs, giving each other a simple sentence to expand. Students will share their sentences with the class.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student begins to produce complete sentences in shared language activities but may not yet expand on complete sentences.	
Meets	The student consistently produces and expands complete sentences in shared language activities.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL2: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

a. Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I.

b. Recognize and name end punctuation.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not capitalize the first word in a sentence or the pronoun I, or recognize and name end punctuation.	(1) With teacher support and guidance, the students will dictate sentences for a language experience story about a kindergarten topic and tell what part of the sentence should be capitalized and why. For example, when the student dictates the sentence to the teacher, he/ she can ask, "Should the first letter of your sentence be a lowercase or uppercase letter and why?" The student's response should be, "Uppercase letter because all sentences begin with a capital letter." Let students read the story and point out the capital letters in the story.
Progressing	The student begins to capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I, and recognize and name end punctuation.	(2) Students will dictate the morning message to the teacher. The teacher will write the message without punctuation. Students will be given three index cards containing a period, question mark, and an exclamation mark. As the message is read, students will hold up the correct punctuation that should be placed at the end of the sentence.
Meets	The student consistently capitalizes the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I, and recognizes and names end punctuation.	from <i>Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL2: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

c. Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes).

d. Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not write letter(s) for consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes) or attempt to spell simple words phonetically.	<p>(1) During a teacher-led spelling activity, students will write the letter for the consonant and short vowel sounds given by the teacher, e.g., teacher says "write the letter that says /b/-/b/-/b/." Students will write the letter b. The teacher can also ask the students to write upper and lowercase letters for each sound. Following the activity, have students say the sound and the letter.</p> <p>(2) Say simple words to students, and have the students spell the words phonetically. The student will then repeat the words to the teacher. Encourage students to write the words in their journals.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student writes letter(s) for some consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes), and attempts to spell some simple words phonetically.	
Meets	The student consistently writes letter(s) for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes), and spells simple words phonetically.	
Exceeds	The student uses conventional spelling for simple words.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL4: With guidance and support, determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.

- a. Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g., knowing duck as a bird and learning the verb to duck).

ELAGSEKL6: Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify new meanings for familiar words or use acquired phrases.	Teacher will read aloud the book <i>Pigs Rock</i> by Melanie Jones. Before reading, students will be told that some words have more than one meaning (e.g., run, duck). As the teacher reads the book, he/she will point out examples of multiple meaning words in the story (rock and roll) and tell the students the meaning of the words. Following the reading of the story, the teacher will use the words in sentences and have the students identify the meaning of the word as it is used in the sentence (e.g., The rock was heavy; I can rock from side to side). After the teacher reads a sentence that contains a word with multiple meanings, ask the student to select an appropriate pictorial representation of that word. Example: The ladybug is on the rock. Then have two pictures: one of an actual rock and one of a person rocking in a chair. Have the student select the appropriate pictorial representation of the word "rock" in order to assess understanding.
Progressing	The student begins to identify new meanings for some familiar words OR begins to use acquired words and phrases.	
Meets	The student consistently identifies new meanings for familiar words, applies them accurately (e.g., knowing duck as a bird and learning the verb to duck), AND uses acquired words and phrases.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL4: With guidance and support, determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.

b. Use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Given guidance and support from adults, the student does not use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) as a clue to understand the meaning of an unknown word.	Use language experiences to model the use of inflections and affixes to determine the meaning of unknown words. During read-aloud activities, point out to the student's words that contain inflections and affixes. Guide them in determining the meaning of the words. Encourage students to use the affixes in their conversations and writing. <i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i>
Emerging	Given guidance and support from adults, the student understands the meaning of the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less), but does not use these to decipher the meaning of unknown words.	
Progressing	Given guidance and support from adults, the student attempts to use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word, but does not consistently decipher the meaning of unknown words.	

Meets	Given guidance and support from adults, the student consistently uses the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) successfully to understand the meaning of an unknown word.	
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English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL5: With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

a. Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not sort some common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods).	<p>Guide the students in a discussion about the seasons of the year and the types of clothing to wear. During the discussion students will name clothing associated with each season. The teacher will list the clothing words on chart paper as they are named by the students. Students will then sort the words into the correct category and explain. The teacher will write the word on a chart that has been divided into four sections labeled spring, summer, fall, and winter. Following the discussion and sorting activity, the students will write about their favorite season using words from the chart. They will include drawings and phonetically spelled words to add meaning to their writing. Students will read their stories to the class.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student sorts some common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods), but does not place all objects in the proper category.	
Meets	The student consistently sorts common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.	

English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL5: With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

b. Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (antonyms).

d. Begin to distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action (e.g., walk, march, strut, prance) by acting out the meanings.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Given guidance and support from adults, the student does not relate frequently occurring verbs and adjectives to their opposites (antonyms) or begin to distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action.	<p>The teacher will guide students to create a T chart with verbs on the left side and their antonyms on the right side. After the completion of this activity, the teacher will lead students to create a T chart with adjectives on the left side and their antonyms on the right side. These charts can be displayed for help in writing word choice and conversational word choice.</p> <p>During daily reading activities and discussions, help children distinguish between shades of meaning among verbs. For example, after reading a story, tell the students that you will name some action words that are similar or almost the same (walk, march, etc.). Students will act out the meanings of the word.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	Given guidance and support from adults, the student relates some frequently occurring verbs and adjectives to their opposites (antonyms) AND is aware that some verbs describing the same general action have different meanings but does not distinguish between the shades of meaning.	
Meets	Given guidance and support from adults, the student consistently demonstrates an understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating	

	them to their opposites (antonyms) AND begins to distinguish shades of meaning among some verbs describing the same general action.	
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English Language Arts: Language

ELAGSEKL5: With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

c. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).	<p>The teacher will help students identify a place at school that is quiet, smelly, etc. Lead the students in a discussion about words that have multiple meanings as they describe places in the school. Write the descriptions given by the students on chart paper. Include the word and other meanings for the word. Afterwards, the teacher will lead the students in an echo-reading activity and read what they have written together. Students may write to describe places at home using some of the words on the chart.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>from Teacher Guidance for Teaching the CCGPS – Kindergarten</i></p>
Progressing	The student identifies real-life connections between some words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful) but not consistently.	
Meets	The student consistently identifies real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).	

IV. Mathematics

In this section, you will find assessment pages for the skills in the Kindergarten Mathematics. Each skill description provides the following information:

- Standard and skill (box on top)
- Performance Level Descriptors (box on the left)
- Assessment Activities (box on the right)
- A list of the Mathematics Frameworks Units related to the standard. These units provide additional instructional information.

For additional instructional support, see the Mathematics framework units:
<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Common-Core/Pages/Math-K-5.aspx>

The frameworks are "models of instruction" designed to support teachers in the implementation of the state content standards. The Georgia Department of Education, Office of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment has provided an example of the Curriculum Map for each grade level and examples of Frameworks aligned with the standards to illustrate what can be implemented within the grade level. School systems and teachers are free to use these models as is, or to modify them to better serve classroom needs, or to create their own curriculum maps, units and tasks.

Videos and webinars are also available:

<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Common-Core/Pages/Math.aspx>

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.1: Count to 100 by ones and by tens.	
Performance Levels	
Assessment Activities	
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student counts to less than 50 by ones or tens, does not count in sequence, or does not count.
Emerging	The student counts to 50 by ones or tens or attempts to count to 100, skipping numbers along the way.
Progressing	The student counts to 50 by ones and by tens or counts to 100 by tens.
Meets	The student consistently counts to 100 by ones and by tens.
Exceeds	The student consistently counts to more than 100 by ones and by tens.

Count to 100 by ones

Say, "Please count out loud to 100 starting with the number 1." Students should recite each number with no skipped numbers or incorrectly stated numbers. A student may repeat a number, if halted, to restart the activity. The student should also be allowed to restart, if initiated by the student.

Count to 100 by tens

Ask the student to count to 100 by tens using a ten by ten number grid, a ten frame, or rote counting.

Special Note: Students should be given ample time to count and really focus on numbers through 20. This standard is seen as a progression that is to be met by the end of the year.

See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 1: Counting with Friends

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.2: Count forward beginning from a given number within the known sequence (instead of having to begin at 1).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not count in sequence.	Ask the student to count to (ten, twenty, fifty, etc.) beginning with a number other than one.
Progressing	The student counts forward from a given number less than 10.	The teacher says (sample scripts): "Count to ten starting with number three."
Meets	The student consistently counts forward beginning from a given number within the known sequence.	"Starting with twelve, count all the way up to twenty." See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 1: Counting with Friends

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.3: Write numbers from 0 to 20. Represent a number of objects with a written numeral 0-20 (with 0 representing a count of no objects).	
Performance Levels	
Assessment Activities	
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not write numbers, writes numbers out of sequence, or does not write numerals to represent objects.
Progressing	The student writes numerals in sequence from 0 to 10 or represents a number of objects with a written numeral between 0 and 10.
Meets	The student consistently writes numbers in sequence from 0 to 20 and correctly represents a number of objects with a written numeral between 0 and 20.
Exceeds	The student consistently writes numerals in sequence from 0 to 20 and correctly represents a number of objects with a written numeral between 0 and 20.

(1) Give students daily opportunities to count objects (calendar time, counting games, centers, small groups, individually).

(2) Have each student roll a die; count the number of dots, and then write the numeral.

(3) Have each student create a number book. Write a numeral on each paper and create a set to match the numeral (draw, glue objects, etc.).

(4) Practice writing numerals or creating numeral models using a variety of media (shaving cream, tracing, Magna Doodle, chalk, clay, Geo-boards, etc.).

See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 1: Counting with Friends; Unit 2: Comparing Numbers

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.4: Understand the relationship between numbers and quantities; connect counting to cardinality.

a. When counting objects, say the number names in the standard order, pairing each object with one and only one number name and each number name with one and only one object (one-to-one correspondence).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	When counting objects, the student does not say the number names in the standard order, and does not pair each object with one and only one number name and each number name with one and only one object.	Assemble a collection of 20 or more objects or manipulatives. Ask the student to count objects using one to one correspondence. "Count the objects in the basket." "How many bears can you count?" "Count out these objects for me."
Progressing	When counting objects, the student says the number in the standard order sometimes but does not consistently pair each number with one and only one object.	Record the specific number of objects counted correctly. See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 1: Counting with Friends; Unit 2: Comparing Numbers
Meets	When counting objects, the student consistently says the number names in the standard order, pairing each object with one and only one number name and each number name with one and only one object.	

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.4: Understand the relationship between numbers and quantities; connect counting to cardinality.

b. Understand that the last number name said tells the number of objects counted (cardinality). The number of objects is the same regardless of their arrangement or the order in which they were counted.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not recognize that the last number name said is the same as the number of objects counted.	Ask the student to count a set of 20 objects using one to one correspondence. After the student has counted the items once, rearrange the same number of items in several different arrangements (straight line, circle, rectangular array, cluster, and stack) and ask the student to count the set of objects again.
Progressing	The student begins to recognize that the last number name said is the same as the number of objects counted.	
Meets	The student correctly recognizes that the last number name said is the same as the number of objects counted, regardless of the arrangement or the order in which they were counted.	See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 1: Counting with Friends

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.4: Understand the relationship between numbers and quantities; connect counting to cardinality.

c. Understand that each successive number name refers to a quantity that is one larger.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not name a quantity that is one larger than a given value.	<p>Ask the student to name the size of a group of objects. Increase the group size by one. Ask the student to tell the name of the group now. Allow students to use a number line or manipulatives if necessary.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Do not always begin the line of questioning with the number 1.</i></p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 1: Counting with Friends</p>
Progressing	The student names a quantity that is one larger for some given values but not consistently.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently names a quantity (0 - 20) that is one larger than a given value.	
Exceeds	The student correctly and consistently names a quantity (0 - 20) that is one larger and one smaller than a given value.	

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.5: Count to answer "how many?" questions.

- a. Count to answer "how many?" questions about as many as 20 things arranged in a variety of ways (a line, a rectangular array, or a circle), or as many as 10 things in a scattered configuration.
- b. Given a number from 1-20, count out that many objects.
- c. Identify and be able to count pennies within 20. (Use pennies as manipulatives in multiple mathematical contexts.)

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not correctly count to answer "how many?" questions about objects that are arranged in a variety of ways or count out a specified number of objects.	<p>Ask the student to count a set of up to 20 objects using one to one correspondence.</p> <p>After the student has counted the items once, rearrange the same number of items in several different arrangements (straight line, circle, rectangular array, and stack) and ask the student to count the set of objects again.</p>
Emerging	The student correctly counts to answer "how many?" questions with 10 objects or fewer arranged in a line and can count out a single-digit number of objects but does not correctly count objects given a number of 10 or more or when objects are arranged in more difficult ways (rectangular array, circle, or scattered).	<p>For the final array of objects, ask the student how many objects are in the set before he/she counts individual objects.</p> <p>Have students play the game, Fill the Chutes. Substitute pennies for counters as students play the game.</p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 2: Comparing Numbers</p>

<p>Progressing</p>	<p>The student correctly counts to answer "how many?" questions with at least 10 objects when the objects are arranged in a variety of ways and can count out at least that many objects (10).</p>	
<p>Meets</p>	<p>The student consistently and correctly counts to answer "how many?" questions about 20 objects arranged in a variety of symmetrical patterns or up to 10 objects in a scattered configuration AND if given a number from 1-20, can count out that many objects.</p>	
<p>Exceeds</p>	<p>The student consistently and correctly counts to answer "how many?" questions about at least 20 objects arranged in a variety of ways (including scattered) AND if given a number more than 20, can count out that many objects.</p>	

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.6: Identify whether the number of objects in one group is greater than, less than, or equal to the number of objects in another group, e.g., by using matching and counting strategies.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify whether a group of objects is greater than, less than, or equal to another group of objects.	<p>(1) Use 10 cubes of two colors (or any other manipulative with two colors). Student grabs a handful without looking at what cubes he/she has in his /her hand. The handful is put on a workspace and is covered up so the student cannot see. The student gets a quick peek under the cover and estimates which color has more, which color has less or which number of colored cubes are equal to each other. Then, the student counts the cubes to verify the estimation of more than, less than or equal to.</p> <p>(2) The teacher will put out a number of manipulatives (0-10) and the child will create a set that is (a) more, (b) less, (c) equal. Follow-up with questions that ask children to compare their answers.</p>
Progressing	The student begins to identify whether the number of objects in one group is greater than, less than, or equal to the number of objects in another group.	
Meets	The student consistently identifies whether the number of objects in one group is greater than, less than, or equal to the number of objects in another group.	

Additional Activities for MGSEK.CC.6

(3) When shown two sets of objects (0-10) (manipulatives, pictures, etc.), the student will be able to count the number in each set. The student will then identify which set has more, less, or the same number of objects. The student will combine the sets and tell the total number of objects.

The teacher says: "Count the number of (items) in this set." (Teacher points to set of objects.)

"Tell me which set has more ____." (objects)

"Tell me which set has less (fewer) ____." (objects)

"Do these sets have the same number of objects?"

See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 2: Comparing Numbers

Mathematics: Counting and Cardinality

MGSEK.CC.7: Compare two numbers between 1 and 10 presented as written numerals.		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not correctly compare two numbers between 1 and 10 presented as written numerals.	<p>The teacher tells or shows the student two numbers between 1 and 10, then asks the student the following questions:</p> <p>"Which of these numbers is greater than the other one?"</p> <p>"Which of these numbers is less than the other one?"</p> <p>"How do you know if a number is bigger than another number?"</p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 2: Comparing Numbers</p>
Progressing	The student correctly compares two numbers between 1 and 5 presented as written numerals.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently compares two numbers between 1 and 10 presented as written numerals.	
Exceeds	The student correctly and consistently compares two numbers between 1 and 20 presented as written numerals.	

Mathematics: Operations and Algebraic Thinking

MGSEK.OA.1: Represent addition and subtraction with objects, fingers, mental images, drawings, sounds (e.g., claps), acting out situations, verbal explanations, expressions, or equations.		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not represent addition and subtraction using objects, fingers, drawings, sounds, acting out, verbal explanations, expressions, or equations.	<p>(1) Step 1. Given two sets of objects (manipulatives, pictures, etc.), ask the student to count the number in each set.</p> <p>Step 2. Combine the two sets and ask the student to count the total number of objects.</p>
Progressing	The student represents addition OR subtraction using objects, fingers, drawings, sounds, acting out, verbal explanations, expressions, or equations.	<p>Step 3. Separate the objects into two sets that are different in number than the first two sets. Ask the student to count the number of objects in each set, and then count the total of the two sets.</p>
Meets	The student correctly and consistently represents addition AND subtraction using objects, fingers, drawings, sounds, acting out, verbal explanations, expressions, or equations.	<p><i>Note: the total number of objects in step 3 will be the same as the total number of objects in step 2.</i></p> <p>(2) Students will act out mathematics stories using themselves, manipulatives, or food items.</p> <p>(3) Show the student a number card up to 10 (in random order). Give the student more than 10 manipulatives. Tell the student to make two sets whose total equals the number shown on the card.</p>

Additional Activities for MGSEK.OA.1

(4) Using two colors of the same manipulative (bears, counters, unifix cubes, etc.) students will build two sets up to ten.

(5) When given a story prompt, the student will use manipulatives/models to create and explain how to solve the problem. Story prompt example: "There were eight ducks in a pond. Two ducks flew away. How many ducks are left in the pond?" (subtraction)

"There were three ducks in a pond. Four more ducks jumped into the pond. How many ducks are in the pond now?" (addition)

(6) Give students a group of manipulatives or food items, and have students tell their partner or teacher a story problem using the manipulatives or food items.

See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 5: Investigating Addition and Subtraction

Mathematics: Operations and Algebraic Thinking

MGSEK.OA.2: Solve addition and subtraction word problems, and add and subtract within 10, e.g., by using objects or drawings to represent the problem.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use objects or drawings to solve addition and subtraction word problems correctly.	<p>(1) Step 1. Given two sets of objects (manipulatives, pictures, etc.), ask the student to count the number in each set.</p> <p>Step 2. Combine the two sets and ask the student to count the total number of objects.</p>
Progressing	The student begins to use objects or drawings to solve word problems involving adding and subtracting within 10.	<p>Step 3. Separate the objects into two sets that are different in number than the first two sets. Ask the student to count the number of objects in each set, and then count the total of the two sets.</p>
Meets	The student correctly and consistently solves addition and subtraction word problems, involving adding and subtracting within 10, by using objects or drawings to represent a problem.	<p>Note: the total number of objects in step 3 will be the same as the total number of objects in step 2.</p> <p>(2) Students will act out mathematics stories using themselves, manipulatives, or food items.</p> <p>(3) Show the student a number card up to 10 (in random order). Give the student more than 10 manipulatives. Tell the student to make two sets whose total equals the number shown on the card.</p>

Additional Activities for MGSEK.OA.2

(4) Using two colors of the same manipulative (bears, counters, unifix cubes, etc.) students will build two sets up to ten.

(5) When given a story prompt, the student will use manipulatives/models to create and explain how to solve the problem. Story prompt example: "There were eight ducks in a pond. Two ducks flew away. How many ducks are left in the pond?" (subtraction)

"There were three ducks in a pond. Four more ducks jumped into the pond. How many ducks are in the pond now?" (addition)

(6) Give students a group of manipulatives or food items, and have students tell their partner or teacher a story problem using the manipulatives or food items.

**See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 5: Investigating Addition and Subtraction;
Unit 6: Further Investigation of Addition and Subtraction**

Mathematics: Operations and Algebraic Thinking

MGSEK.OA.3: Decompose numbers less than or equal to 10 into pairs in more than one way, e.g., by using objects or drawings, and record each decomposition by a drawing or equation (drawings need not include an equation).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not decompose numbers less than or equal to 10 into a pair and record each decomposition by a drawing or equation.	(1) Show the student a number card up to 10 (in random order). Give the student more than 10 manipulatives. Tell the student to make two sets whose total equals the number shown on the card.
Progressing	The student correctly decomposes numbers less than or equal to 5 into pairs and records each decomposition by a drawing or equation.	(2) Using two colors of the same manipulative (bears, counters, unifix cubes, etc.) students will build two sets up to ten. <i>Note: "Kindergarten students should see addition and subtraction equations, and student writing of equations in kindergarten is encouraged, but it is not required." It is not until First Grade that "Understand the meaning of the equal sign" is an expectation.</i>
Meets	The student correctly and consistently decomposes numbers less than or equal to 10 into pairs in more than one way by using objects or drawings, and records each decomposition by a drawing or equation.	See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 5: Investigating Addition and Subtraction; Unit 6: Further Investigation of Addition and Subtraction

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MGSEK.OA.4: For any number from 1 to 9, find the number that makes 10 when added to the given number, e.g., by using objects or drawings, and record the answer with a drawing or equation.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	For numbers from 1 to 9, the student does not find the number that makes 10 when added to the given number.	Using objects or drawings, ask the student to make a set containing 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9 objects. Then ask the student to find the number of additional objects that would make his set have 10 objects.
Progressing	The student begins to find the number that makes 10 when added to the given number, and begins to record the answer with a drawing or an equation.	Repeat, asking the student to make another set until all of the combinations adding up to 10 have been created. After each set, ask the student to record the answer with a picture or an equation.
Meets	For any number from 1 to 9, the student consistently finds the number that makes 10 when added to the given number by using objects or drawings AND records the answer with a drawing or an equation.	<i>Note: Kindergarten students should see addition and subtraction equations, and student writing of equations in kindergarten is encouraged, but it is not required." It is not until First Grade that "Understand the meaning of the equal sign" is an expectation.</i> See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 5: Investigating Addition and Subtraction; Unit 6: Further Investigation of Addition and Subtraction

Mathematics: Operations and Algebraic Thinking

MGSEK.OA.5: Fluently add and subtract within 5.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not add or subtract numbers within 5 (i.e., Two numbers between 1-5, when added or subtracted, present the sum or difference of 5 or less).	Using objects or drawings, the student demonstrates addition and subtraction of all the number combinations within 5 (e.g., 1+4, 2+3, 3+2, 4+1, 5-1, 5-2, 5-3, 5-4, 4-3, 4-2, 4-1, 3-2, 3-1, 2-1). See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 5: Investigating Addition and Subtraction; Unit 6: Further Investigation of Addition and Subtraction
Progressing	The student begins to add and subtract numbers to make the sum or difference of 1-5.	
Meets	The student consistently and correctly adds and subtracts numbers to make the sum or difference of 1-5.	
Exceeds	The student consistently and correctly adds and subtracts numbers to make the sum or difference of 1-10.	

Mathematics: Number and Operations in Base 10

MGSEK.NBT.1: Compose and decompose numbers from 11 to 19 into ten ones and some further ones to understand that these numbers are composed of ten ones and one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, or nine ones, e.g., by using objects or drawings, and record each composition or decomposition by a drawing or equation (e.g., $18 = 10 + 8$).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not use objects or drawings to compose and decompose numbers from 11 to 19 and record each procedure by a drawing or equation.	<p>Ask the student to create a drawing or set of objects for each number from 11 to 19. Prompt students to count or draw a set of ten objects first, then to add additional objects one by one until the correct total is reached.</p> <p><i>Note: the numbers between 10 and 20 are not an appropriate place to discuss place-value concepts (in kindergarten). Children should not be asked to explain the 1 in 16 as representing "one ten." The concept of a single ten is just too strange for a kindergarten or early first-grade child to grasp. (Van de Walle, 2006, p. 54)</i></p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 2: Comparing Numbers</p>
Progressing	By using objects or drawings, the student begins to compose and decompose numbers from 11 to 19 and begins to record each composition or decomposition by a drawing or equation.	
Meets	By using objects or drawings, the student can correctly and consistently compose and decompose numbers from 11 to 19 and record each composition or decomposition by a drawing or equation.	
Exceeds	By using objects or drawings, the student can correctly and consistently compose and decompose numbers from 11 to 29 and record each composition or decomposition by a drawing or equation.	

Mathematics: Measurement and Data

MGSEK.MD.1: Describe several measurable attributes of an object, such as length or weight. *For Example, a student may describe a shoe as, "This shoe is heavy! It is also really long!"*

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not describe measurable attributes (such as length or weight) of an object.	<p>Ask students "What do you know about measurement?" Record the student responses on chart paper.</p> <p>After student responses have been recorded, the teacher may choose to share a book about measurement. When choosing a book, please be mindful that comparison of objects is the focus in kindergarten.</p>
Progressing	The student correctly describes one measurable attribute (such as length or weight) of an object.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently describes several measurable attributes (such as length or weight) of an object.	<p>Brainstorm and record the different attributes that can be measured.</p> <p>Next, have partners come to the front and select a pre-made teacher bag. These bags will contain only two items. The partners should discuss what attributes can be measured when comparing the two objects; the teacher should circulate around the room and ask questions about the items to guide student thinking. For example, "Which item is heavier? Which item is longer? Which item is shorter? How did you know?" Partners should record their observations about the attributes of the two objects.</p>

		<p>After all bags have been discussed, the teacher should guide students in a discussion to share the discovery of measureable attributes to close the introduction to measurement.</p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 4: Measuring and Analyzing Data</p>
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Mathematics: Measurement and Data

MGSEK.MD.2: Directly compare two objects with a measurable attribute in common, to see which object has "more of"/ "less of" the attribute, and describe the difference. For example, directly compare the heights of two children and describe one child as taller/shorter.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not compare a common attribute between two objects or describe the difference.	<p>Length</p> <p>(1) Compare length of student names</p> <p>(2) Student will compare lengths on a bar graph</p> <p>(3) Draw chalk outlines of students and compare their heights.</p> <p>(4) Student compares and orders lengths of pencils.</p> <p>(5) Compare and order length of tables in the room, shoes, blocks, fingers, feet, etc.</p> <p>(6) Place objects horizontally on table (not in graduated order).</p> <p>Say: "Today we are going to look at some _____ that are different lengths." "Which _____ is the longest?" "Which one is the shortest?" Have students identify longest and shortest. Then ask, "If we wanted to put these in order from shortest to longest, where would you put the remaining strips?" "Which would come next?" "Which would be last?"</p> <p>(7) Using connecting cubes, ask students to demonstrate how to make something longer or shorter.</p>
Progressing	The student begins to correctly compare the difference in a common attribute between two objects.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently compares two objects with a measurable attribute in common, to see which object has "more of"/" less of" the attribute AND the student describes the difference.	

Additional Activities for MGSEK.MD.2

Capacity

(8) Provide classroom opportunities to manipulate amounts of rice, sand, dry beans, and/or water. Provide cups, spoons, and bowls of varying sizes.

(9) Use varying sizes of plastic tubs or boxes to compare the amount of manipulatives they will hold.

(10) Using 3 containers of different sizes, ask student which object holds most/least.

Now ask student to put the containers in order from the one that holds the least amount of liquid to the one that holds the most liquid.

Sample Script: "Today we will compare containers that have liquid (water) in them. Which holds the most liquid? Which holds the least amount? If we put all of the containers in order from the least to the most, which would be first, next, last?"

Height

(11) Compare the height of students in the class.

(12) Have each student bring in a teddy bear and measure the height with yarn. Arrange the yarn in order from longest to shortest.

(13) Compare/order heights of objects in room (e.g., books, chairs, cabinets, shelves)

(14) Compare heights of objects found outside (e.g., trees, plants, buildings, windows)

(15) Compare heights of water fountains in the classroom or halls.

(16) Provide objects of various heights. Let students identify shortest & longest.

Sample Script: "We are going to look at some _____ that are different heights. Which is the tallest? Which is shorter? Now put all 3 objects in order from the shortest to the tallest. Which is first, next, last?"

Weight

(17) Provide opportunities for students to explore weights of objects using bathroom scales or hanging scales.

(18) Compare weight of three obviously different weights (e.g., cotton ball, small rock, and a brick.)

(19) Compare/order the weight of 3 balloons containing various amounts of water.

(20) Provide objects of differing weights. Have student identify heaviest to lightest objects.

Have student place items in order from lightest to heaviest.

Sample Script: "Today we are going to look at these ____ that are different weights. Which ____ is the heaviest? Which ____ is the lightest? If we were to put these in order from lightest to heaviest, what would be lightest, heavier, and heaviest?"

See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 4: Measuring and Analyzing Data

Mathematics: Measurement and Data

MGSEK.MD.3: Classify objects into given categories; count the numbers of objects in each category and sort the categories by count.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not classify objects into given categories, count the numbers of objects in each category, or sort the categories by count.	Ask students to explore a collection of objects by sorting these objects into categories. Ask students to lay the objects on the table and talk about how they are alike and different. Students should then decide on categories in which to sort the objects. Each student should draw a picture to show how the objects were sorted, then label the groups and count how many are in each set. The students should then cut the sets apart and arrange them in order according to count. Students should be able to identify the rule for sorting the objects, or how the objects within the set are alike and different. See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 4: Measuring and Analyzing Data.
Emerging	Student classifies objects into categories of ten or less but does not correctly count the objects in each category or sort the categories by count.	
Progressing	Student classifies objects into categories of ten or less and correctly counts the objects in each category but may not correctly sort the categories by count or consistently perform any of these skills.	
Meets	Student correctly and consistently classifies objects into categories of ten or less, counts the number of objects in each category, and sorts the categories by count (e.g., category with most objects to category with least objects).	

Exceeds	Student correctly and consistently classifies objects into categories, counts the number of objects in each category, sorts the categories by count, and makes correct observations based on the results (e.g. there are the same number of blue buttons and red buttons or there are more squares than circles and triangles).	
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Mathematics: Geometry

MGSEK.G.1: Describe objects in the environment using names of shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle, hexagon, cube, cone, cylinder, sphere), and describe the relative positions of these objects using terms such as above, below, beside, in front of, behind, and next to.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not describe objects using the names of shapes or describe their relative positions.	<p>(1) Using a cup that has something on it to designate the "front" (door drawn on it for example), ask the student to place a geometric shape (square, circle, triangle, rectangle) in front of the cup, behind the cup, inside the cup, and outside the cup.</p> <p>"Today we are going to use this cup and these shapes to demonstrate our understanding of some directional words." (Note: teacher can choose materials. It can be a bag or basket instead of a cup, and manipulatives can change as well.)</p> <p>"Place the (shape) in front of the cup." "Place the (shape) behind the cup." "Place the (shape) inside the cup." "Place the (shape) on the outside of the cup." "Place the (shape) above the cup." "Place the (shape) below the cup." "Place the (shape) beside the cup."</p> <p>Teacher will observe children and note progress on a checklist.</p>
Progressing	The student correctly describes objects using the names of shapes and begins to describe their relative positions.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently describes objects using the names of shapes AND correctly describes their relative positions.	

Additional Activity for MGSEK.G.1

(2) Teacher can hide an object around the room and give children directions to find the object. For example, "The block is inside a box," "The cone is over your head," "The sphere is under a chair." Teacher will observe children and note progress on a checklist.

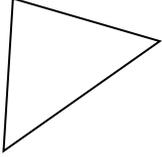
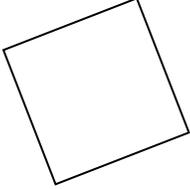
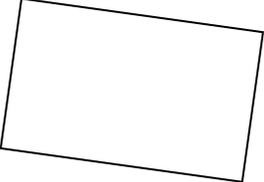
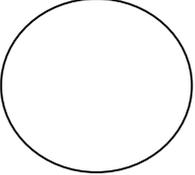
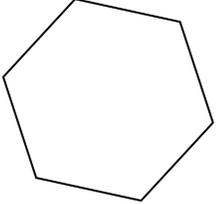
See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 3: Sophisticated Shapes

Mathematics: Geometry

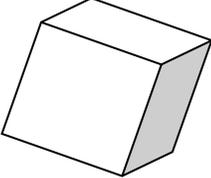
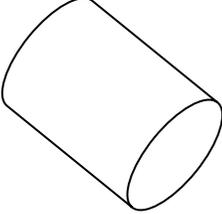
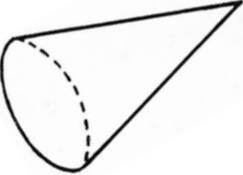
MGSEK.G.2: Correctly name shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle, hexagon, cube, cone, cylinder, and sphere) regardless of their orientations or overall size.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not correctly name shapes.	<p>(1) Using the MGSEK.G.2 resource pages, have students point to and name each two-dimensional and three-dimensional shape. "When I point to the shape, you tell me the name of the shape."</p> <p>(2) Given a set of basic shapes, children can sort shapes into groups. Children can name shapes as they sort. This activity would be for teacher observation and could be done in a small group. Teacher can track children using a table/matrix with all children's names and columns for each shape to be identified.</p> <p>(3) Go on a "field trip" throughout the school and outside the school. Search for examples of the shapes learned. A recording sheet can be used to track notes about what children find. This sheet can be used to track things children find within the classroom as well.</p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 3: Sophisticated Shapes</p>
Progressing	The student begins to correctly name shapes.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently names shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle, hexagon, cube, cone, cylinder, and sphere) regardless of their orientations or overall size.	

Resource Page for MGSEK.G.2
Two-dimensional Shapes

Shape	Teacher Notes
	
	
	
	
	

Resource Page for MGSEK.G.2
Three-dimensional Shapes

Shape	Teacher Notes
	
	
	
	

Mathematics: Geometry

MGSEK.G.3: Identify shapes as two-dimensional (lying in a plane, "flat") or three-dimensional ("solid").

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify shapes as flat (two-dimensional) or solid (three-dimensional).	Using a basket of two and three dimensional objects or manipulatives, ask the student to sort the items into two groups: flat or solid (not flat).
Meets	The student correctly and consistently identifies shapes as flat (two-dimensional) or solid (three-dimensional).	<p><i>Note: Students are <u>not</u> expected to use the terms "two-dimensional" or "three-dimensional."</i></p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 3: Sophisticated Shapes</p>

Mathematics: Geometry

MGSEK.G.4: Analyze and compare two- and three-dimensional shapes, in different sizes and orientations, using informal language to describe their similarities, differences, parts (e.g., number of sides and vertices/ "corners") and other attributes (e.g., having sides of equal length).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not correctly analyze or compare two- and three-dimensional shapes.	Using a basket of two and three dimensional objects or manipulatives, select two different objects and ask the student some of the following questions: "How are these alike?" "How are these different?" "How many sides do these have?"
Progressing	The student begins to analyze and compare two- and three-dimensional shapes.	
Meets	The student correctly and consistently analyzes and compares two- and three-dimensional shapes, in different sizes and orientations, using informal language to describe their similarities, differences, parts and other attributes.	

Mathematics: Geometry

MGSEK.G. 5: Model shapes in the world by building shapes from components (e.g., sticks and clay balls) and drawing shapes.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not model shapes in the world by building shapes from components or drawing shapes.	(1) Give students a piece of paper and ask them to draw a simple representation, such as a house, using triangles, rectangles, squares and circles. Keep this drawing as a sample of the student's work.
Progressing	The student begins to model shapes in the world by building shapes from components or drawing shapes.	(2) Using pattern blocks, have children create a simple representation. Teacher will observe and record. Teacher can take digital pictures of some representations to show student success. This can be added to student portfolios.
Meets	The student correctly and consistently models shapes in the world by building shapes from components (e.g., sticks and clay balls) AND drawing shapes.	(3) Give children die cut shapes from paper and have them create a simple representation. This can be added to the children's portfolio. See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 3: Sophisticated Shapes

Mathematics: Geometry

MGSEK.G. 6: Compose simple shapes to form larger shapes. For example, "Can you join these two triangles with full sides touching to make a rectangle?"

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not compose simple shapes to form larger shapes.	<p>(1) Given a set of basic shapes, students will be asked to create a basic shape using a combination of shapes in the given set. Say: "Using the basic shapes I have given you, please create a square, rectangle, triangle, or circle." Teacher will observe and record student progress.</p> <p>(2) During small group, give a set of basic shapes. Teacher can ask students, "Can you put your shape together with your partner and make a new shape?" Teacher can observe and record student progress.</p> <p>(3) Using pattern blocks or tangrams, use basic shapes to create a larger shape. (Example: 4 squares can be used to make one larger square). Ask students to then "decompose" the larger shape into the smaller shapes. (Example: Two squares could be moved away and you are left with 2 rectangles composed of 2 squares each.) Teacher will observe and record student progress.</p> <p>See Frameworks, Kindergarten Unit 3: Sophisticated Shapes</p>
Meets	The student correctly and consistently composes simple shapes to form larger shapes.	

V. Social Studies

In this section, you will find assessment pages for the elements in the Kindergarten *GPS* for Social Studies. Each element's description provides the following information:

- *GPS* standard and element (box on top)
- Performance Level Descriptors (box on the left)
- Assessment Activities (box on the right)
- Instructional Suggestions for teachers and/or parents (box on the bottom)

For instructional support, you may browse the GaDOE frameworks at:
<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Standards/Pages/BrowseStandards/SocialStudiesStandardsK-5.aspx>

The frameworks are "models of instruction" designed to support teachers in the implementation of the Georgia Performance Standards (*GPS*). The Georgia Department of Education, Office of Standards, Instruction, and Assessment has provided an example of the Curriculum Map for each grade level and examples of Frameworks aligned with the *GPS* to illustrate what can be implemented within the grade level. School systems and teachers are free to use these models as is, or to modify them to better serve classroom needs, or to create their own curriculum maps, units and tasks.

Social Studies: Historical Understandings

<p>SSKH1. The student will identify the purpose of national holidays and describe the people or events celebrated: Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not identify the purpose or describe the people and events associated with national holidays.	<p>(1) After class discussions about each holiday, have the student draw or write a class book about the national holiday. The teacher will keep the book and writings as a work sample to add to the student portfolio.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) As they occur throughout the year, discuss national holidays with students. Students can demonstrate their knowledge of national holidays by drawing, writing, or retelling a story about the holiday.</p>
Progressing	Student identifies the purpose of previously taught national holidays OR describes people and events celebrated.	
Meets	Student identifies the purpose of previously taught national holidays AND describes the people and events celebrated.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read books about National Holidays. • Discuss the meaning of national holidays as each event approaches. • Map the national holidays with a timeline that shows a full year. Mark national and state holidays above the line. Mark birthdays and family celebrations below the line. • Write important holidays on the classroom calendars. • Discuss how a holiday becomes a national holiday. 		

Social Studies: Historical Understandings

<p>SSKH2. The student will identify important American symbols and explain their meanings: National and State flags, Bald Eagle, Statue of Liberty, Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, White House, Pledge of Allegiance, Star Spangled Banner.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not identify American symbols.	<p>(1) After class discussions about each American symbol or landmark, have the student draw or write a class book about the American symbol or landmark. The teacher will keep the book and writings as a work sample to add to the student portfolio.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) Students can demonstrate their knowledge of national symbols by drawing, writing, or retelling a story about the symbol.</p>
Progressing	Student identifies previously taught American symbols but does not explain their meaning.	
Meets	Student identifies previously taught American symbols and explains their meanings.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the meaning of symbols in general and of American symbols. • Read books about American symbols. • Draw or write a class book about American symbols. • Discuss how a landmark becomes an American symbol. • Discuss symbols of Georgia, Georgia flag, Georgia landmarks. • Sing and/or illustrate the national anthem. 		

Social Studies: Historical Understandings

<p>SSKH3. The student will correctly use words and phrases related to chronology and time to explain how things change: now, long ago, before, after, morning, afternoon, night, today, tomorrow, yesterday, first, last, next, day, week, month, year, past, present, future.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not use words and phrases related to chronology and time.	<p><u>Now, long ago, past, present, future</u> After having class discussions about the terms now, long ago, past, present, and future, the teacher will have students draw pictures. For example, a teacher might have students draw a picture about how people traveled LONG AGO, how we travel NOW, and how they think we will travel in the FUTURE. See examples of class conversations below in Instructional Strategies.</p>
Progressing	Student correctly uses some words and phrases related to chronology and time.	
Meets	Student correctly uses all the words and phrases related to chronology and time.	
Instructional Strategies		<u>Before, after, first, last, next</u>
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sequencing Cards • After reading a story, have students recall what happened first, next, and last. • Model daily procedures that require steps: Putting on socks and shoes. Teacher might say, "What do I need to do first? Put on my shoes or my socks?" OR "What do I need to do before I put on my shoes?" • Cooking activities/recipes • Transitions/Lining up: "I want _____ to be first, and _____ to be last." 		<p>(1) Throughout daily routine and activities teacher will observe and listen for children's use of chronology terms.</p> <p>(2) Story sequencing: This can be done during a center or language activity. Teacher will observe to see that student is able to recall first, next and last.</p> <p>(3) Teacher can verbally ask children, "What do you have to do BEFORE you do this?" Children can verbalize answers. Teacher will listen for those verbal answers and note children's answers.</p>

SSKH3 (continued)

Instructional Strategies	Assessment Activities
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share stories about your past. • Check out books and read to children. • Show children pictures from the past. • Practice cooking/following a recipe at home. • Practice following steps/procedures • Use vocabulary first, next, last, before and after verbally to tell children what to do: First I want you to get a bath and next I want you to brush your teeth. • Have children recall steps verbally - Ask questions, "What did you do first?" • At home, parents can talk about things they do in the morning, afternoon, night. • Make a help chart to put on the fridge that outlines "chores" throughout the day. • Talk about after school activities - What do you do on Monday, Tuesday, etc.? • Talk about what you do during certain months. • Reinforce knowledge of holidays, special events, etc. 	<p>(4) Use digital pictures to create a daily schedule. Have children recall events throughout the day. Teacher can say, "We just finished lunch. What do we do next?"</p> <p>(5) Using the digital pictures from the daily schedule, give children 3 - 4 daily events from the schedule. The teacher will ask the student to sequence the events.</p> <p>(6) Provide cooking activities in the classroom. Draw a recipe as a sequence of events. Talk with students about what to do first, next, last. Have students follow recipe. The teacher will be able to observe which students can follow the sequence of events.</p> <p><u>Morning, Afternoon, Night</u></p> <p>(1) After reading the books such as <i>Alexander's Terrible Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day</i> by Judith Viorst, teacher can point out activities that happened throughout the day during the story. The teacher can then have students recall what happens throughout their "school" day. Teacher will listen to children for understanding of the concept. (Large Group)</p>

SSKH3 (continued)

Assessment Activities

(2) Have students draw pictures about what they do in the morning, afternoon and night. Teacher will have children tell about what they have drawn and will record dictations. This could be kept for a student portfolio. This could be done as a small group activity, but assessment will be done individually as the teacher listens to the students and records dictations. (Small group or individually during center time)

(3) Using the book, *Morning, Noon and Night* by Jean Craighead George, teacher will lead a class discussion about the differences between what people do and animals do during throughout a 24-hour day. Teacher can have students draw pictures showing some of the differences between what people do and animals do at certain times of day. Teacher individually talks with students about their pictures and records dictations. These can be kept as work samples for student portfolios.

Today, Tomorrow, Yesterday Day, Week, Month, Year

(1) Sing and chant days of week, months of year (e.g., CDs by Dr. Jean and Greg & Steve).

(2) Teach holidays that occur each month to help children remember the months. Use symbols for each holiday as visual clues for children.

(3) Include birthdays with months to reinforce learning.

(4) Teacher can talk about today, tomorrow and yesterday and prompt students. Teacher might ask, "Today is _____" and wait for student response. "Tomorrow will be _____" and wait for student response. Yesterday was _____" and wait for student response.

(5) Teacher uses the terminology of this standard daily.

(6) The term year is reinforced usually during December and January as the year changes.

(7) Determine the date. Students write the date on their class work daily.

Social Studies: Geographic Understandings

<p>SSKG1. The student will describe American culture by explaining diverse community and family celebrations and customs.</p>		
<p>Performance Levels</p>		<p>Assessment Activities</p>
<p>Not Yet Demonstrated</p>	<p>Student does not share details about a family custom or celebration or a community celebration or custom.</p>	<p>Teacher would have student share a family celebration with the class. Teacher would observe and listen to assess the students' understanding of this concept. Teacher would also have students draw a picture about how their families celebrate an occasion. Teacher would record dictations after discussing drawings with students or have students write a sentence about their drawing and family celebration or custom. This drawing can be kept for student portfolio.</p>
<p>Meets</p>	<p>Student describes a family celebration or custom and community celebrations and customs.</p>	
<p>Instructional Strategies</p>		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See GaDOE Frameworks at www.georgiastandards.org for Unit Frameworks, Performance Tasks, examples of Student Work, and Teacher Commentary. 		

Social Studies: Geographic Understandings

SSKG2. The student will explain that a map is a drawing of a place and a globe is a model of the Earth.

- a. Differentiate land and water features on simple maps and globes.
- b. Explain that maps and globes show a view from above.
- c. Explain that maps and globes show features in a smaller size.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not recognize a map as a drawing of a place or a globe as a model of the Earth.	Introduce a globe as a model of the earth. Explain that the earth is round. It is a sphere (ball). If we were in space or on the moon, this is what the earth would look like.
Emerging	Student does <u>one</u> of the following: differentiate land from water, explain that a map/globe is a view from above, and explain that a map/globe shows features in a smaller size.	Begin to show children features on the globe. Show children how to differentiate between land and water features on the globe. Teacher might say, "The blue represents the water." Have students come to the globe and point out some water and land features. Teacher can assess children by observing. Discuss the difference in the size of an actual state, country, or ocean compared to how it is shown on the globe.
Progressing	Student does <u>two</u> of the following: differentiate land from water, explain that a map/globe is a view from above, and explain that a map/globe shows features in a smaller size.	Introduce a map. Teacher says, "In today's lesson we are going to learn about another resource that is used to represent the Earth, but it looks quite different from the globe. It is called a map. A map is a drawing that shows all or part of an area. A map is flat. A globe and Earth are spheres and are round." If you took the globe or the Earth and flattened it out, it would look like a map.
Meets	Student demonstrates an understanding of a map and a globe by: pointing to land and water on a map or globe, explaining that a map/globe is a view from above, AND explaining that a map/globe shows features in a smaller size.	

SSKG2 - a, b, c (continued)

Instructional Strategies	Assessment Activities
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin a lesson by introducing some models such as cars, food, etc. that represent items in our environment, but are not the same size. Then introduce a globe by saying this is a "model" of Earth. • Next, read a book, <i>Me on the Map</i> by Joan Sweeney and Annette Cable or <i>Mapping Penny's World</i> by Loreen Leedy. • Share with students that everything on the globe is really "smaller" than real life. This is why a globe is a model of the Earth. You might say, "We can't put the whole world (Earth) inside the classroom, but we can look at globe and see the whole world (Earth). • Look at the zoom features of on-line maps such as Google Maps and/or MapQuest. <p>Suggestions for Parents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involve children in mapping out/planning family vacations or trips. • Discuss and locate where parents lived as a child. • Draw attention to maps when visiting theme parks or zoos. 	<p>A map is "smaller" than what you would see in real life. We can't fit the whole Earth in our classroom, but we can fit the map in here to look at the Earth." Share with students that a map is also a view from above the earth. Explain what that means. What is above? Have students discuss. Teacher can listen and observe.</p> <p>Begin to show children the features of different kinds of maps. There are city maps, state maps, a map of the United States, and a map of the world. Show children how to differentiate between land and water features on the map. Teacher might say, "The blue represents the water." Have students come to the map and point out some water and land features. Continue by showing the students the land areas and water bodies on both the globe and the map and point out that they are located in the same areas on both. Then ask the students if they notice any other similarities. Teacher can assess children by observing. Discuss the difference in the size of an actual state, country or ocean compared to how it is shown on the map.</p> <p>Have children make a map of the classroom or a map of the school. Remind students that as they draw certain things in the classroom that their drawings will be much smaller than the actual object. The teacher will keep maps that children make as a work sample.</p>

Social Studies: Geographic Understandings

<p>SSKG3. The student will state the street address, city, county, state, nation, and continent in which he or she lives.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	<p>Student states none of the following: street address, city, county, state, nation, and continent.</p>	<p>Practice with children on a daily basis during calendar time, down times, and transitions. Using maps and/or a globe, explain the difference between cities, counties, states, countries, and continents. Teacher will keep a checklist throughout the year to track which children can state street address, city, county, state, nation and continent. Ask students the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "What is your home address?" (may elicit street address, city, and state) • "What city do you live in?" • "What county do you live in?" • "What state do you live in?" • "What is the name of the country in which you live?" • "What is the name of the continent in which you live?"
Emerging	<p>Student states 1-2 of the following: street address, city, county, state, nation, and continent.</p>	
Progressing	<p>Student states 3-5 of the following: street address, city, county, state, nation, and continent.</p>	
Meets	<p>Student states the street address, city, county, state, nation, and continent in which he/she lives.</p>	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents can help students learn their home address. 		

Social Studies: Government/Civic Understandings

<p>SSKCG1. The student will demonstrate an understanding of good citizenship.</p> <p>a. Explain how rules are made and why.</p> <p>b. Explain why rules should be followed.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not explain how/why rules are made and why they should be followed.	<p>Ask the students why they think that there are rules and give students an opportunity to respond. Explain to the students that without rules our lives would be chaotic. Give some examples of situations that could occur if there were no rules such as traffic accidents due to the absence of traffic lights and signs.</p> <p>Tell the students that just like at home, there are rules at school and in the classroom that are to be followed. Then inform the students that there are consequences for breaking rules at school such as calling a parent, a negative note home, visit to the principal's office. Finally, summarize that the classroom rules are meant to be followed so that everyone stays safe and learns as much as possible while at school.</p> <p>Create a classroom rule chart with the class. Be sure to involve children in the creation of the class rules.</p> <p>Now that the students have learned the classroom rules, have them play a game in which they have to recall the rules and explain why they should be followed.</p>
Meets	Student explains how rules are made and why rules should be followed.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss family rules/guidelines/expectations • Discuss rules for traveling from one place to another • Discuss neighborhood rules/expectations (at the park, pool, etc.) • Discuss how the rules are sometimes different in different places 		

Social Studies: Government/Civic Understandings

SSKCG2. The student will retell stories that illustrate positive character traits and will explain how the people in the stories show the qualities of honesty, patriotism, loyalty, courtesy, respect, truth, pride, self-control, moderation, and accomplishment.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not retell stories or explain how the people in the stories illustrate positive character traits.	<p>Read stories about people who cope with conflicts by using positive character traits such as honesty, truth, and courtesy.</p> <p>Discuss the qualities of the main characters of the stories and how they react or respond to a problem or situation. Practice retelling the details of stories.</p>
Progressing	The student retells stories that illustrate positive character traits, but the student does not explain how the people in the story show those traits.	<p>Ask students for examples of bravery on TV, in movies, in real life, in newspaper accounts of heroes and leaders, and in accomplishments in sports and the arts. Teacher will listen to and observe the types of stories told by students to assess their understanding.</p>
Meets	The student retells stories that illustrate positive character traits and explains how the people in the story show those traits.	<p>Ask students to retell stories. Have students discuss some of the character traits portrayed in the story. Teacher will listen to and observe students.</p>

Instructional Strategies

Instructional Suggestions for teachers

- See GaDOE Frameworks at www.georgiastandards.org for Unit Frameworks, Performance Tasks, examples of Student Work, and Teacher Commentary.

Social Studies: Economic Understandings

<p>SSKE1. The student will describe the work that people do (police officer, fire fighter, soldier, mail carrier, baker, farmer, doctor, and teacher).</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not identify common jobs in the community.	<p>(1) Students will contribute to a language experience chart that describes the work of various community helpers. Teacher will listen to and observe students.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) Students will draw pictures and dictate information that describes the work of various community helpers.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(3) Students will create a journal writing that describes the work of various community helpers.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(4) Students will participate in the creation of class book describing the work of various community helpers.</p> <p>-----</p>
Progressing	Student names community helpers but does not describe the work they do.	
Meets	Student identifies a variety of common jobs in the community and describes the work that people do.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community helper literature or leveled readers for guided reading • Community helper visitors/resource people/field trips • Career Day or Dress Up Day • Center Activities for drama - act out the work of community helpers, use block center to build a community with helpers • See GaDOE Frameworks at www.georgiastandards.org for Unit Frameworks, Performance Tasks, examples of Student Work, and Teacher Commentary. 		

Social Studies: Economic Understandings

SSKE2. The student will explain that people earn income by exchanging their human resources (physical or mental work) for wages or salaries.		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not explain how people earn money in exchange for their work.	(1) Teacher will create role-playing opportunities where children can pretend to be community helpers with an exchange of money for service/work. Teacher will listen to and observe students.
Meets	The student explains how people earn money in exchange for their work.	<p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> (2) Teacher will create a class store, restaurant, or mini-economy set up in class (students role play situations to earn class money for later exchange in class store). Teacher will listen to and observe students. Teacher can also take pictures and record dictations to place in student portfolios. <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> (3) Students will create a drawing and/or writing about working and earning money. Teacher will keep student work as a work sample for the student portfolio. <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> (4) As a whole group, discuss the types of jobs held by family members and relatives.
Instructional Strategies		
Instructional Suggestions for Teachers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read children’s literature to discuss/explain that people earn money in exchange for their work. (Examples: <i>Benny’s Pennies</i>, <i>Alexander Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday</i> by J. Viorst, <i>Charlie’s Cloak</i> by T. de Paola). • This activity may be combined with a history unit by describing for students how people long ago traded and bartered to get all the goods and services they needed. 		

Social Studies: Economic Understandings

<p>SSKE3. The student will explain how money is used to purchase goods and services. a. Distinguish goods from services.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not distinguish goods from services.	<p>Open a discussion to help the class discover the difference between goods and services. Ask, "What are the types of things we can spend money on? Are there any things you can spend your money on that you can't touch or feel?" (Goods are items you can touch and feel like toys, clothes, and food. Services are things that you can't touch or feel like getting your car washed or going to the movies.)</p> <p>Students will participate in making a wall chart of goods vs. services. Teacher will listen to and observe student participation.</p> <p>Assess by revisiting and adding to the chart throughout the year as students study different topics in social studies.</p>
Meets	The student distinguishes goods from services with an explanation or example.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This could be combined with unit on community helpers as the class studies all the different types of jobs adults hold. 		

Social Studies: Economic Understandings

SSKE3. The student will explain how money is used to purchase goods and services. b. Identify various forms of U.S. money (coins, currency)		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student does not identify any U.S. coins or currency.	(1) Have a variety of materials (coins and dollar bills along with other various materials) for children to view. Ask student, "If you were going to the store to buy something, which of these could you use to purchase something?" Teacher would expect student to point to the dollar bills and coins or say dollar bills and coins verbally. Teacher will listen to and record student responses.
Meets	The student identifies U.S. coins and dollar bills (paper money) as currency.	
Instructional Strategies		
Additional Instructional Suggestions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online games can be found at www.usmint.gov/kids • Software <i>Coin Critters</i> by Nordic, and <i>Basic Coins</i> by Attainment 		----- (2) Provide multiple opportunities to manipulate coins (centers, snack money, lunch money). -----
Instructional Strategies for Parents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage parents to allow children to use coins in real-life experiences and also to sort pocket change • Use money games with students. Online games can be found at www.usmint.gov/kids 		----- (3) Play money games with students. ----- (4) Set up a store and label items 1 cent, 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, and one dollar for sale. Students will use corresponding coins to purchase items in store. -----
		----- (5) Use coins as tokens for good behavior.

Social Studies: Economic Understandings

<p>SSKE4. The student will explain that people must make choices because they cannot have everything they want.</p>		
<p>Performance Levels</p>		<p>Assessment Activities</p>
<p>Not Yet Demonstrated</p>	<p>Student does not distinguish between wants and needs.</p>	<p>Students participate in making a wall chart illustrated with magazine pictures or student drawings of "wants" and "needs." Teacher will listen to and observe students.</p> <p>Begin the lesson by quickly reviewing the difference between needs and wants and encourage the students to name a couple of each. Then, tell the students to think about how their needs and wants are met. Have students draw and/or write on a "T" chart to distinguish between their wants and needs. Teacher will keep the "T" chart as a work sample for the student portfolio.</p> <p>Share with the students that wants are exactly that-- things that people <i>want</i>, but don't particularly need in order to survive. Give the students a few examples (such as pets, radios, and television), then tell the students to think about something that they have wanted before but don't actually need to have. Allow them to share their story with the class. As the students name their wants, record them on a sheet of chart paper and discuss the differences between the wants and needs. Teacher will listen to and observe student responses.</p>
<p>Meets</p>	<p>Student explains why people must make choices about what they want by telling a story or giving an example.</p>	
<p>Instructional Strategies</p>		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See GaDOE Frameworks at www.georgiastandards.org for Unit Frameworks, Performance Tasks, examples of Student Work, and Teacher Commentary. 		

VI. Science

In this section, you will find assessment pages for the elements in the Kindergarten *GPS* for Science. Each element's description provides the following information:

- *GPS* standard and element (box on top)
- Performance Level Descriptors (box on the left)
- Assessment Activities (box on the right)
- Instructional Suggestions for teachers and/or parents (on the bottom)

For instructional support, you may browse the GaDOE frameworks at:
<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Frameworks/Pages/BrowseFrameworks/ScienceK-5.aspx>

The frameworks are "models of instruction" designed to support teachers in the implementation of the Georgia Performance Standards (*GPS*). The Georgia Department of Education, Office of Standards, Instruction, and Assessment has provided an example of the Curriculum Map for each grade level and examples of Frameworks aligned with the *GPS* to illustrate what can be implemented within the grade level. School systems and teachers are free to use these models as is, or to modify them to better serve classroom needs, or to create their own curriculum maps, units and tasks.

Science: Earth Science

<p>SKE1. Students will describe time patterns (such as day to night and night to day) and objects (such as sun, moon, stars) in the day and night sky.</p> <p>a. Describe changes that occur in the sky during the day, as day turns into night, during the night, as night turns into day.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not describe changes in the day or night sky.	<p>(1) Develop picture resource showing sunrise, day, dusk, night. It is not necessary to label the pictures but to be able to show the pictures to children. Ask children to describe what is happening in each picture. This can be done orally or in written format.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) Develop resource page to give to each child on which child can draw the sun or moon in the appropriate position in the appropriate picture (picture of child in the bed, picture of a child waking up, picture of a child in school, picture of a child getting ready for bed).</p>
Progressing	Student describes changes from day to night, but not as day turns into night (sunset) or night into day (sunrise).	
Meets	Student describes changes from day to night and as day turns into night (sunset) and night into day (sunrise).	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read a book that describes a 24-hour cycle of the moon, sun, and/or stars. After class discussion of each period (day, sunset, night, sunrise), the class would draw the four periods of the cycle. The class could be divided into 4 groups. Each group could draw one period, or each student could do four drawings. The pictures would be placed on the wall to show the transition of the sky through the 24-hour cycle. 		

Science: Earth Science

SKE1. Students will describe time patterns (such as day to night and night to day) and objects (such as sun, moon, stars) in the day and night sky.

- b. Classify objects according to those seen in the day sky and those seen in the night sky.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not classify objects according to those seen in the day sky and those seen in the night sky.	(1) Using a pocket chart, sort pictures/models (moon and stars) under the appropriate title: "Day Sky" or "Night Sky." -----
Meets	Student classifies objects according to those seen in the day sky and those seen in the night sky.	(2) Give each child a "T" Chart labeled Day and Night along with pictures depicting day and night. Have children place the appropriate objects in the appropriate column OR have the students draw the objects in the appropriate columns. This could also be done orally by having students tell what objects would appear in each column. -----
Instructional Strategies		
Instructional Suggestions for Teachers and Parents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read books about day/night sky with your students/children. Discuss characteristics of the day and night sky. 		(3) Student draws picture(s) and labels objects in the day sky and objects in the night sky.

Science: Earth Science

<p>SKE1. Students will describe time patterns (such as day to night and night to day) and objects (such as sun, moon, stars) in the day and night sky.</p> <p>c. Recognize that the Sun supplies heat and light to Earth.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not recognize any characteristics of the sun.	<p>(1) Ask students, "What does the sun do?" Record student responses.</p> <p>While outside, have students stand in a shady area and then move to a sunny area. Have children notice that they get warmer in the sun. If they want to cool off, they can move to the shade. Teacher will observe and record student observations.</p> <p>While outside, have students notice what happens when a cloud moves in front of the sun. What happens to the light? What happens to the heat? Does it get cooler or hotter?</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) Have children write about this in their journal. Teacher can keep journal entry for student portfolio.</p>
Progressing	Student recognizes that sun the supplies light OR heat to the earth but not both.	
Meets	Student recognizes that the sun supplies light AND heat to the earth.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read books about the earth and the sun. Read books about the sun and its relationship to the Earth. Discuss that the Sun is a heat and light source, and without it life would not exist on Earth. • (Experiment) Plant seeds in paper cups and place some in a lighted place and others in a dark place to demonstrate that seedlings need light to grow. This experiment can also be repeated using cold and warm places. <p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit a Planetarium 		

Science: Earth Science

<p>SKE2. Students will describe the physical attributes of rocks and soils. a. Uses senses to observe and group rocks by physical attributes such as large/small, heavy/light, smooth/rough, dark/light, etc.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not describe or group rocks according to their physical attributes.	<p>Collect a variety of rocks and ask students to sort them by characteristic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small/Large • Light/Heavy • Smooth/Rough • Dark/Light
Progressing	Student describes rocks but does not accurately group rocks according to their physical attributes (large/small, heavy/light, smooth/rough, dark/light, etc.).	
Meets	Student describes and groups rocks according to their physical attributes (large/small, heavy/light, smooth/rough, dark/light, etc.).	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observe during center time. • Ask students to bring in rocks they have found. 		

Science: Earth Science

<p>SKE2. Students will describe the physical attributes of rocks and soils. b. Uses senses to observe soils by physical attributes such as smell, texture, color, particle/grain size.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	<p>Student does not describe physical attributes of soil such as smell, texture, color, particle/grain size.</p>	<p>(1) Have a variety of soils for children to explore. Teacher leads children through observation of different physical attributes. Teacher points out to children that all soils are different and serve different purposes. Teacher leaves soils out for children to explore on their own.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) As a large group, create a comparison/contrast chart for types of soils. As the students make verbal observations, the teacher records them on the wall chart.</p>
Meets	<p>Student describes physical attributes of soil such as smell, texture, color, particle/grain size.</p>	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant seeds in different types of soils to see what happens. • Have children observe and record the differences. 		

Science: Earth Science

<p>SKE2. Students will describe the physical attributes of rocks and soils. c. Recognize earth materials - soil, rocks, water, air, etc.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not recognize earth materials.	<p>(1) Collect samples of soil, rocks, water, and an empty jar to represent air. Discuss that you can't see air, but it is present in the jar. Display the samples on a science table to visit during center time or to pass around during a science lesson. Note which children are able to identify soil, rocks, water, air, etc.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) Given a set of pictures of soil, rocks, water, air, etc. have children identify each.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(3) Go outside with children and have them pick up samples of earth items (soil, rocks, etc.).</p>
Progressing	Student recognizes some earth materials (e.g., rocks, water) but misidentifies other earth materials.	
Meets	Student recognizes earth materials (soil, rocks, water, air, etc.).	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use balloons to show an example of air. Have one balloon that is not inflated and one balloon that you blow up with "your air." Note the differences. Pop the balloon or un-pinch the end, listen to the air escape the balloon, and watch the balloon deflate. • Use a flag or a pinwheel to demonstrate the movement of air and how it affects objects. • As a large group, observe a windsock, flag, or the branches of trees moving on a windy day. 		

Science: Physical Science

SKP1. Students will describe objects in terms of the materials they are made of and their physical properties.

- a. Compare and sort materials of different composition (common materials include clay, cloth, paper, plastic, etc.).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not compare or sort materials based on composition.	(1) Collect a group of objects (10 - 15) composed of different materials (clay, cloth, plastic, paper, glass). For example, select objects made of each of the different materials (e.g., plastic cup, glass, paper cup, clay figurine, sock, piece of fabric, etc.). Have children sort the objects based on composition. -----
Meets	Student compares and sorts materials based on composition.	
Instructional Strategies		(2) Have students find objects in the room and then sort into different groups based on composition.
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide opportunities to group and sort (e.g., manipulatives, laundry, groceries, organizing a closet) <p>Instructional Suggestions for Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allow children to help with sorting laundry, putting away groceries, silverware, clothing, etc. 		

Science: Physical Science

SKP1. Students will describe objects in terms of the materials they are made of and their physical properties.

b. Uses senses to classify common objects, such as buttons or swatches of cloth, according to their physical attributes (color, size, shape, weight, texture, buoyancy, flexibility).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not classify common objects according to their attributes.	(1) Collect and sort a variety of common materials such as buttons and cloth. Sort buttons according to sight (all one color, 2 or 3 holes, round or square, rough or smooth. Sort cloth according to touch (smooth or rough). Other attributes for sorting include size, weight, texture, buoyancy, flexibility. -----
Meets	Student consistently classifies common objects according to their physical attributes.	
Instructional Strategies		(2) Gather items that would sink or float in water. Have a tub of water and have children guess which items are going to sink or float. Have students drop each item into the water to see which ones sink or float. Discuss why some objects float and why some do not.
Instructional Suggestions for Teachers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice sorting items daily. • Have children sort items in centers. 		

Science: Physical Science

<p>SKP2. Students will investigate different types of motion.</p> <p>a. Sort objects into categories according to their motion (straight, zigzag, round and round, back and forth, fast and slow, motionless).</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not sort objects according to their motion.	Show an assortment of objects to students and have them sort the objects by their motion. Examples of objects: race car and turtle (fast/slow), merry-go-round (round and round), train (straight), block (motionless), snake (zigzag), etc.
Progressing	Student sorts some objects according their motion but incorrectly categorizes other objects.	
Meets	Student sorts objects into categories according to their motion.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To demonstrate different types of motions, play "Follow the Leader" or "Simon Says." 		

Science: Physical Science

<p>SKP2. Students will investigate different types of motion. b. Push, pull, and roll common objects and describe their motions.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	<p>Student does not describe the motion of common objects when they are pushed, pulled, and rolled.</p>	<p>Given a variety of objects (e.g., sphere/ball, cylinder, toy car or truck, etc.) students will push, pull, and/or roll the objects and describe the motion.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have the students sit on the floor and push a ball or a car from person to person. Ask: "What can we call the ball's/car's movement?" (rolling) Ask: "What changes the direction of the ball/car?" (The ball/car rolls in the direction it is pushed) or (the car traveled in the direction it was pulled or in the direction of the front wheels.) • Have students pass an object from person to person by pulling on a string. Discuss and compare the movement of objects that are pulled to objects that are pushed. • As a large group, make a wall chart of the way things move. Categories might include things that move back and forth (swings), things that move in straight lines, and things that move around and around in circles (merry go round).
Meets	<p>Student describes the motion of common objects when they are pushed, pulled, and rolled.</p>	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let students manipulate objects, hands-on. • Discuss motions of objects used in daily life (wheels on the bus, pushing carts in grocery store, pulling doors open, pulling a wagon). 		

Science: Physical Science

<p>SKP3. Students will observe and communicate effects of gravity on objects.</p> <p>a. Recognize that some things, such as airplanes and birds, are in the sky but return to earth.</p> <p>b. Recognize that the sun, moon, and stars are in the sky but don't come down.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not recognize that some things in the sky return to earth while others remain in the sky.	(1) After a class discussion about gravity, the sky and the ground, teacher would post 2 pieces of poster paper, one blue (representing the sky) and one green (representing the Earth).
Meets	Student recognizes that some things in the sky return to earth while others remain in the sky.	Using clip art previously gathered by teacher, the teacher would discuss with children the following concepts. If a teacher held up a picture of a bird, the teacher might say, "The bird flies up in the sky, but comes back down to the ground and returns to earth." The teacher would have the student put the bird on the green poster paper.
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take common items in the classroom and throw them up into the air. Before throwing them, have students make predictions about what will happen. Teacher might say, "Do you think this is going to stay in the air or do you think it will come back down to the ground?" This activity could be done indoors or outdoors. • Introduce the word gravity. "Gravity is a force that pulls an object back to Earth. When we slide down a slide, gravity pulls us toward Earth." Take the class outside to the playground to demonstrate. 		<p>The teacher will repeat the process with each piece of clip art. Suggestions for clip art (bird, moon, stars, airplane, butterfly, sun, balloon, baseball, kite, hot air balloon, etc.) Teacher would use this activity during large group and would begin to observe and listen to children as they make suggestions about where to place each piece of clip art.</p>

SKP3 - a, b (continued)

Assessment Activities

(2) After doing the activity # 1 during whole group, teacher would move this activity to a center. Instead of large pieces of poster board, use a mat or a piece of paper divided in half with the labels Sky/Earth. Make class sets of the same clipart used during the large group activity for students. Students can place the clipart in the correct column. Teacher would be able to assess students understanding of the concept by where the students place the items on the paper. Students could also glue the clip art on their pages and this page could be added to their portfolios.

Science: Physical Science

<p>SKP3. Students will observe and communicate effects of gravity on objects. c. Explain why a book does not fall down if it is placed on a table, but will fall down if it is dropped.</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not communicate the effects of gravity.	<p>(1) After a large group discussion about gravity, teacher will demonstrate to students the effects of gravity. Teacher will use classroom objects to show the concept of gravity to students. Teacher will also have students jump up and down and then ask questions such as, "I saw you jump way up in the air, but now you are back down on the ground. Why is that? You jumped up in the air on purpose, but did you jump down on purpose?" "It is a big word that is called GRAVITY." Have students choose items from the classroom that they predict will come back down. Suggested items: book, pencil, marker, book bag (objects that are safe).</p> <p>(2) After completing the above activity, use the same items that just came back down and ask the students, "What do you think will happen if I drop this over the table? Do you think it will fall down to the ground or stay on the table?" "Why or why not?" Drop a variety of items on the table and then drop the same items on a different surface (desk, book bag, etc.). Ask this question, "Why do you think you stop going up when you jump and come back down to the ground? Why don't you go through the floor or dirt?"</p>
Progressing	Student explains why the book does not fall if it is placed on the table but not why the book will fall to the ground if dropped.	
Meets	Student explains why the book does not fall if it is placed on the table AND why it will fall if it is dropped. (E.g., "The book stopped at the table because it broke its fall". "The book hit the table first". "The table stopped it". "The table is holding it up".	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen and observe children for understanding of this concept. • Ask children questions to confirm understanding. 		

Science: Life Science

SKL1. Students will sort living organisms and non-living materials into groups by observable physical attributes.

- a. Recognize the difference between living organisms and non-living materials.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not recognize the difference between living organisms and non-living materials. (e.g., may think that all moving things are living).	(1) In a group discussion, clarify the difference between living and non-living things. Discuss basic needs for living things to grow and survive such as food, water, light, air. Then, show students pictures and ask them whether each picture is living or non-living. Ask students how they know if something is living or non-living. Record their responses. ----- (2) While outside, have children identify things that are living and non-living. Teacher will listen to and observe students and note children's observations or do a class graph after returning to the classroom. Teacher may also take pictures of what children identify while outside for use in a center activity.
Progressing	Student can differentiate between some living organisms and non-living materials but not others.	
Meets	Student recognizes the difference between living organisms and non-living materials.	
Exceeds	Student recognizes the difference between living and non-living things and explains how he/she knows something is living or non-living.	

Instructional Strategies

Instructional Suggestions for Teachers

- Provide practice/discussion during center time with a variety of examples.
- Read books about plants and animals.
- Related science experiments involving plant growth.
- Identify materials in the classroom that are living or non-living.

Science: Life Science

SKL1. Students will sort living organisms and non-living materials into groups by observable physical attributes.

b. Group animals according to their observable features such as appearance, size, motion, where it lives, etc. (Example: a frog has four legs and hops. A rabbit also hops.)

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not group animals by observable features.	<p>(1) Have students group animals according to observable features (size, appearance, motion, where it lives, etc.). Lead students to regroup according to different features. For example, students can first group animals according to whether they have fur, then according to whether they fly, walk, or crawl, and then by where they live, etc. Teacher will observe students while sorting and record responses.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p>(2) Take a field trip to the zoo or have someone visit the classroom with different types of animals. After learning about the animals, create a class graph as children sort the animals by features.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p>(3) Create a class set of pictures of real animals for children to sort by features. Place this activity in a center for children. Teacher will note observations.</p> <p><i>See SKL2-a for additional activities.</i></p>
Progressing	Student groups animals according to one observable feature (e.g., size).	
Meets	Student groups animals according to observable features.	
Exceeds	Student groups animals according to more than two observable features.	
Note: Students may group animals according to one feature at a time.		
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model process of deciding whether animals have specific features. • Read a variety of books about animals • Show videos of animals • Use this study as an opportunity to integrate new ELA nouns and action verbs. 		

Science: Life Science

SKL1. Students will sort living organisms and non-living materials into groups by observable physical attributes.

c. Group plants according to their observable features such as appearance, size, etc.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not group plants according to any observable feature.	Given a variety of pictures of plants, have students sort according to observable features. (Examples: sort by size, is it a flower or tree, is it a fruit or vegetable, is it tall or short, do you eat it or not eat it, are the leaves different colors and shapes) <i>See SKL2-b for additional activities.</i>
Progressing	Students groups plants according to one observable feature.	
Meets	Students groups plants according to two or more observable features.	

Instructional Strategies

Instructional Suggestions

- Read books about plants
- Collect different shapes of leaves
- Provide students with a variety of plants or pictures of plants. Read book: *Tops and Bottoms*.
 - ❖ Group plants that the tops (leaves) are eaten: corn, collards, mustard greens, wheat
 - ❖ Group plants that the middle (stems) are eaten: celery, asparagus
 - ❖ Group plants that the bottom (roots) are eaten: carrots, turnips, beets, peanuts
 - ❖ Group plants according to size: tall (corn), short (peas, beans), underground (peanuts)

Science: Life Science

<p>SKL2. Students will compare the similarities and differences in groups of organisms.</p> <p>a. Explain the similarities and differences in animals (color, size, appearance, etc.)</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not explain (verbalize, draw, or write) similarities and differences in animals.	<p>(1) Sort photographs of animals (or plastic animals) and group into big/little, animals with two legs, four legs, etc., with and without fur, colors of animals. Have children explain why they sorted the animals and/or their criteria for sorting. This can be done in small group or one-on-one.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) In small groups, create a book of animals that are grouped according to their similarities and differences (big/little, animals with two legs, four legs, etc., with and without fur, colors of animals, etc.). Have each group talk about their book. Teacher can keep the class book to put in the student portfolio as a work sample.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(3) The student will observe a virtual tour and write about how the animals are similar and different in his/her journal. Teacher will keep the journal page as a work sample for the student portfolio.</p>
Progressing	Student explains one similarity or one difference in animals.	
Meets	Student explains two or more similarities AND differences in animals.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathematics activities (big and little) with plastic animals • Small group instructions & games about animals • Leveled readers in guided reading • Animal websites • Read picture books/guided reading books about animals and create graphs, Venn diagrams, etc. • The teacher will present pictures, toy animals, etc. to the students and they will group them according to color, size, and appearance. • Live animals brought to the classroom. Pictures are taken of these animals to use in activities. 		

Science: Life Science

<p>SKL2. Students will compare the similarities and differences in groups of organisms.</p> <p>b. Explain the similarities and differences in plants (color, size, appearance, etc.)</p>		
Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not explain (verbalize, draw, or write) similarities and differences in plants.	<p>(1) Sort photographs of plants and group them by similarities and differences. Have children explain why they sorted the plants and/or their criteria for sorting. This can be done in small group or one-on-one.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) In small groups, create a book about plants and their similarities and differences. Have children talk about their book. Teacher can keep the class book to put in the student portfolio as a work sample. (This activity might be done with different types of leaves.)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(3) The student will choose plants and describe how they are similar and different in his/her journal. Teacher will keep the journal page as a work sample for the student portfolio.</p>
Progressing	Student explains one similarity or difference in plants.	
Meets	Student explains two or more similarities AND differences in plants.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathematics activities (big and little) with paper and real leaves • Plant websites • Talk about which plants lose their leaves in the fall and which are evergreen. • Plant real plants and observe under different conditions • The teacher will present real plants, photographs of plants, and the students will group them according to color, size, and appearance. 		

Science: Life Science

SKL2. Students will compare the similarities and differences in groups of organisms.

c. Recognize the similarities and differences between a parent and a baby.

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not recognize similarities and differences between a parent and baby.	The students will look at pictures of parents and babies (human or animal). The teacher will ask students to describe similarities and differences between the parent and the baby. Students can make a book or journal entry describing how they are alike or different. Teacher can keep the journal entry or book as work sample for the student portfolio.
Progressing	Student recognizes similarities OR differences between a parent and baby but not both.	
Meets	Student recognizes two or more similarities AND differences between a parent and a baby (human or animal).	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may bring a picture of themselves as babies and pictures of their parents or caregivers. Have children explain similarities or differences. 		

Science: Life Science

SKL2. Students will compare the similarities and differences in groups of organisms.

d. Match pictures of animal parents and their offspring explaining your reasoning (Example: dog/puppy, cat/kitten, cow/calf, duck/ducklings, etc.).

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not match pictures of animal parents to pictures of their offspring.	(1) Students will match pictures of animal parents and their offspring and explain their reasoning. Teachers will observe and note student responses.
Progressing	Student matches pictures of parents and offspring but does not provide an explanation.	----- (2) Read books on animals and their babies.
Meets	Student matches pictures of parents and offspring and explains his/her reasoning. (Examples: "This is the baby pig and this is the mama pig, because they are both pink and have curled tails." "They look alike.")	Students will make books and show pictures of their parent animals and their babies. Teacher will keep books as work samples for student portfolios. ----- (3) Set up center activities where students can match adult animals to baby animals. Teacher observes students during center time.
Instructional Strategies		
Instructional Suggestions for Teachers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will visit virtual field trips and observe animal parents and their babies. • Read books about animals and animal babies. • Look at pictures of animals and animal babies. • Assemble floor puzzles with animals and animal babies. 		----- (4) Go to a zoo website and observe the panda and baby panda. Have student write/dictate how the baby panda and parent are different and/or the same. Teacher will keep writing work sample for student portfolio.

Science: Life Science

SKL2. Students will compare the similarities and differences in groups of organisms.

e. Recognize that you are similar and different from other students (senses, appearance)

Performance Levels		Assessment Activities
Not Yet Demonstrated	Student does not identify similarities and differences between students in the class.	<p>(1) Students identify the following characteristics (boy/girl, color of hair, color of eyes, hair type, etc.). Class makes a graph to see how many of each gender, eye color, hair color and hair type are in the classroom. Teacher will listen to and observe students during class discussion and creation of graph.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(2) Play "Guess Who?" Teacher or students pick a child in the classroom to describe. After giving three clues, the rest of the class tries to guess who the student is.</p> <p>-----</p>
Progressing	Student identifies differences OR similarities but not both.	
Meets	Student identifies two or more similarities AND differences from other students.	
Instructional Strategies		
<p>Instructional Suggestions for Teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make painted handprints and/or footprints and compare them. 		<p>(3) Guide the students through the discussion of "same or alike" and "different". Draw a line down the middle of a large piece of chart paper to create two halves. Draw a picture of one student on one side and another student on the other. Ask students to notice things that are alike and different about each student and label the characteristics on the chart as each one is recognized.</p>

SKL2 - e (continued)

Assessment Activities

Some prompting may be required. Be sure to discuss the fact that everyone is alike in some ways and everyone is different in some ways. Students might notice: color of hair, eyes, or skin, short and tall, long hair or short hair, curly hair or straight hair, girl or boy, freckles, glasses, etc.

*To extend this activity, have the children work in "teams" during work time to create their own "same and different" chart about their friends in the room. It may even be someone who is not in the classroom that they want to draw and compare. Teacher can save this as a work sample for the student portfolio.

VII. Approaches to Learning

“Approaches to Learning” are dispositions or outlooks, not just towards learning new skills but using knowledge and skills students already possess. As children learn knowledge and skills, they also develop attitudes towards learning and using those skills. These outlooks on learning can be positive (“I love reading”) or negative (“I can’t do mathematics”). Examples of Approaches to Learning include curiosity, initiative, creativity, engagement, confidence, attention to task, and task persistence.

The Approaches to Learning are manifested in all curriculum areas, including music, dramatic play, and art. These characteristics and dispositions are the foundation for all future learning. Teachers need to be aware that children differ in how they approach new and novel tasks, difficult problems or challenges, and teacher directed tasks. For example, students who do not value reading are not likely to read outside of school even if they have reading skills. In contrast, students with positive dispositions toward reading will choose to read often. All children need to acquire positive approaches to learning, including children with significant disabilities or from diverse cultural backgrounds.

The following page contains ten Approaches to Learning statements that are evaluated for GKIDS. The statements are divided into three general categories: Curiosity and Initiative, Creativity and Problem Solving, and Attention, Engagement, and Persistence. For each of the ten statements, students will be evaluated using the following performance levels:

- **Area of Concern**
- **Developing**
- **Consistently Demonstrating**

Approaches to Learning Menu

Category	Statement	Area of Concern	Developing	Consistently Demonstrating
Curiosity and Initiative	a. Asks questions			
	b. Self-selects activities and topics			
	c. Seeks help when needed			
Creativity and Problem Solving	a. Shows creativity by appropriately using materials in unique ways			
	b. Displays imagination in storytelling, writing, drawing, play, songs, etc.			
	c. Uses a variety of problem solving strategies			
Attention, Engagement, and Persistence	a. Pays attention			
	b. Demonstrates increasing task persistence			
	c. Displays motivation/enthusiasm for learning			
	d. Works independently			

Assessing Approaches to Learning

The following definitions could be considered when completing the Approaches to Learning menu of GKIDS. Below are general definitions of area of concern, developing, and consistently demonstrating.

Area of Concern: An area of concern would apply if a child rarely or never demonstrated the attribute. It would also be checked if a child's development is significantly less than that of a typically developing four, five, or six-year-old. This category might be checked if a teacher perceived that a child's development in this area is significantly below the norm for a child at this age and whose behavior or performance might also indicate that the child has a suspected special need.

Developing: The developing level would apply if the child does NOT consistently demonstrate the specific attribute. Many children may fall into this category for the specific attributes being evaluated. It is likely that throughout the kindergarten year, children would be marked in this category because development in the areas of approaches to learning ebbs and flows as children gain more experience with the academic domains of learning. The key to using this rating is the amount of consistency in the demonstrated attribute. That is, it is an attribute that does not present an area for concern, but yet is not consistently demonstrated across time and learning contexts.

Consistently Demonstrating: This level would apply to children who have either consistent or advanced skills in their approaches to learning. This rating does not imply that children must uniformly or always display this attribute, but rather that the child has the development in their approaches to learning that is consistent across time and learning contexts.

Sample Behaviors by Rating for Approaches to Learning

This section provides some sample behaviors that would be rated as an Area of Concern, Developing, and Consistently Demonstrating for each Approaches to Learning statement. Specific examples, although not exhaustive, are provided to alert teachers to some typical behaviors for each of the performance descriptions. They are not intended to be the only ways students can achieve a particular rating. You may observe additional or different behaviors that provide evidence of each Approaches to Learning statement.

Curiosity and Initiative

a. Asks Questions:

- **Area of Concern:** Child does not ask questions to solicit information from others to understand task or activity. Child persists at a task without asking questions to ease effort in activity.
- **Developing:** Child asks questions that may or may not support his or her need to complete a task. The questions are not always purposeful, but there is increasing evidence that the child is gaining skills in asking questions to help facilitate his or her work.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child consistently asks questions that further his or her progress in completing an activity. Child may help other children understand task through his/her own questioning.

b. Self Selects Activities and Topics:

- **Area of Concern:** Child cannot initiate engagement in activity without the explicit guidance of an adult or more capable peer. Child does not display variability in activities in which he or she engages.
- **Developing:** Child can self-select some activities and tends to focus mostly on repeating the same activities over time. Child may exhibit some discomfort when presented with options for activities to select.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child self-selects activities with little adult support. Child demonstrates variability in activities and topics in which to engage.

c. Seeks Help When Needed:

- **Area of Concern:** When a child struggles, he or she does not seek help from an adult or a more capable peer. Child may demonstrate stubbornness and not realize the support or the help of others. If child attempts to seek help from an adult or more capable peer, it may be demonstrated in a negative way such as crying, stomping foot, or throwing materials.
- **Developing:** Child intermittently seeks help when needed. Child is working toward positively seeking help, but occasionally loses focus and fails to communicate with those who can support him or her.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child can determine when to persist at a task and when to seek help from an adult or more capable peer. Child may support the needs of others. Child solicits support in a positive, proactive manner.

Creativity and Problem Solving

a. Shows Creativity by Appropriately Using Materials in Unique Ways

- **Area of Concern:** Child only uses materials to create replica of a teacher-made or peer-made project or creates the same project again and again. Child resists trying any project that has not been attempted previously.
- **Developing:** Child varies between copying a teacher-made product and creating his or her own product. More often, child chooses to copy rather than create an original product. Child uses materials in appropriate, although typically, in non-unique ways.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child can model a teacher-created project but typically, when allowed, creates a product that demonstrates creativity. Child shows care and concern for the proper use of personal and classroom materials. Child supports peers in their use of materials.

b. Displays imagination in storytelling, writing, drawing, play, songs, etc.

- **Area of Concern:** Child only copies that which others do or a teacher-made model. Child may demonstrate some frustration when asked to tell a story, write, draw, or sing. In dramatic play, child may only want to play the same activity or resists engaging in the activities in session with peers.
- **Developing:** Child makes consistent effort at imaginative activity, but may struggle in fully completing the task. Child may be too caught up in the detail and lack insight into the larger activity.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** When given the opportunity, child includes imaginative elements in work. Child positively responds to successive attempts to exhibit creativity through trial and error. Child may offer suggestions for imaginative solution to tasks.

c. Uses a variety of problem solving strategies

- **Area of Concern:** Child only responds to solving a problem in a way that has been suggested by an adult. Child demonstrates frustration and may fail to complete an activity because he or she cannot think of a way to solve the problem. Child may react negatively when a peer or an adult suggests a way to solve a problem.
- **Developing:** Child attempts a number of ways to solve a problem, but occasionally relies on the teacher or a more capable peer to tell him or her how to solve the problem. Child may exhibit some frustration, but will persist for a while at a problem before giving up.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child attempts many ways to solve a problem. Child rarely demonstrates visible frustration when solving a problem. Child may help support his or her peers in their problem solving. Child can verbally describe the ways in which he or she solved the problem.

Attention, Engagement, and Persistence

a. Pays Attention

- **Area of Concern:** Child displays a lack of attention to the teacher or other speakers during class discussions. Child seems immature in his or her ability to pay attention in class. Child may be easily distracted or may need to be consistently redirected to pay attention to the teacher or another speaker.
- **Developing:** Child generally demonstrates attention to the teacher or other speakers during classroom discussions. Child may occasionally appear distracted or require redirection, but generally focuses on the teacher or other speakers. The child's skill in this area has grown over the course of the kindergarten year.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child consistently pays attention to the teacher or other speakers during class discussions. Child pays specific attention to what is asked of him or her. Also, child may help others refocus their attention.

b. Demonstrates increasing task persistence

- **Area of Concern:** Child cannot persist at a task. Child demonstrates visible frustration and will often give up very early when attempting a task that he or she does not understand or is perceived too difficult. Child may refuse to engage in a task.
- **Developing:** Child can persist at a task for most activities requested of him or her. Child may still need support of adult or more capable peer to persist at task. Choice of persistence may be tied to specific activities.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child demonstrates consistent engagement in task regardless of task content or complexity. Child may help others continue to pursue completion of a task. Child demonstrates pride in completion of an activity.

c. Displays motivation/enthusiasm for learning

- **Area of Concern:** Child demonstrates little to no motivation or enthusiasm for learning. Child may refuse to participate or verbally make statements about the lack of interest in the topic or task.
- **Developing:** Child may demonstrate specific motivation or enthusiasm for a given content area and less for others. Child will complete task but not enthusiastically across all assigned tasks.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child overtly demonstrates motivation and enthusiasm for learning. Child may encourage peers to engage in activities. Child may seek out additional experiences to continue learning.

d. Works Independently

- **Area of Concern:** Child cannot work without the direct supervision of others. Child may refuse to engage in an activity. If child can work somewhat by himself or herself, child does not use materials properly or is off task.
- **Developing:** Child can usually work well independently, but does need some monitoring from others occasionally.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child can work independently and self-monitor to stay on task. Child may help redirect others who interrupt him or her to maintain focus on activity. Child demonstrates this independence across tasks in the classroom.

Tips for Helping Children Develop Positive Approaches to Learning

- Give children opportunities to practice self-direction, problem solving, and organizing their time and actions.
- Challenge children with moderately difficult tasks.
- Directly teach and support children to use these approaches.
- Use a variety of communication techniques to help children know how to use the environment (i.e., to put away toys and materials, by including children's home language, English, signs, pictures, labels, signals and other means).
- Use multiple ways for presenting the directions and tasks (e.g., simple sentences, pictures, and models).
- Design activities that accommodate a wide range of individual interests, experiences, understanding, and abilities.
- Support multiple means of expression (e.g., words, actions, symbols) among children.
- Arrange the storage and display of materials to allow for access and reach by all children and which support children to take on clean-up responsibilities.
- Explain to families the importance of these positive approaches to learning (e.g., taking initiative, being independent, organizing and managing their time), and how they can encourage their children to acquire these dispositions. (*Indiana University Early Childhood Center*)

VIII. Personal and Social Development

What is Personal/Social Development? Personal development refers to children's perceptions of themselves and their capacity for self-regulation. Social development refers to children's ability to interact with others.

Eight Personal and Social Development statements are evaluated for GKIDS (see page 150). For each of the eight statements, students will be evaluated using the following levels:

- **Area of Concern.** An area of concern would apply if a child rarely or never demonstrated an attribute, if a child's development is significantly less than that of a typically developing four or five-year-old, or if the child's behavior or performance indicated that the child might have a special need.
- **Developing.** The developing level would apply if the child does not consistently demonstrate the specific attribute. That is, the attribute does not present an area for concern, but it is not consistently demonstrated across time and learning contexts.
- **Consistently Demonstrating.** This level would apply to children who have either consistent or advanced skills in personal and social development. This rating does not imply that children must uniformly or perfectly display this attribute, but rather that the child has the social and emotional maturity that is consistent across time and learning contexts.

Personal and Social Development Menu

Category	Statement	Area of Concern	Developing	Consistently Demonstrating
Personal Development/ Self-Regulation	a. Demonstrates self-confidence/positive attitude			
	b. Adjusts well to changes in routines and environments			
	c. Expresses emotions and needs through appropriate words and actions			
Social Development/ Classroom Interactions	a. Treats others with respect in words and actions			
	b. Shows caring for others			
	c. Follows directions and school rules			
	d. Respects the property of others			
	e. Works cooperatively with others			

Sample Behaviors by Rating for Personal Development/Self-Regulation

This section provides some sample behaviors that would be rated as an Area of Concern, Developing, and Consistently Demonstrating for each Personal Development statement. Specific examples, although not exhaustive, are provided to alert teachers to some typical behaviors for each of the performance descriptions. They are not intended to be the only ways students can achieve a particular rating. You may observe additional or different behaviors that provide evidence of each Personal Development statement.

a. Demonstrates self-confidence/positive attitude

- **Area of Concern:** Child displays a lack of self-confidence such as learned helplessness. The child displays a negative attitude that is not intermittent such as "having a bad day" but behaviors such as opposition or using language that suggests negative attitudes toward an activity or others.
- **Developing:** Child generally displays a positive attitude and increasing confidence in his or her ability. Occasionally, child displays some behaviors like learned helplessness or states that he or she cannot perform a task.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child demonstrates confidence in his or her abilities. Child displays a positive attitude toward tasks that may be difficult. Child uses own ability to help other children in his or her class. Child encourages other children in their completion of tasks and activities.

b. Adjusts well to changes in routines and environments

- **Area of Concern:** Child has negative reaction to change in routine or environment. Child exhibits behaviors such as withdrawal from the activity, crying, exhibiting defiant behaviors, refusal to cooperate.
- **Developing:** Child generally adjusts well to changes in the environment or routines. Child may take additional time to complete an activity or engage with a person unfamiliar in the environment, but eventually completes a give tasks or engages with others.

- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child does not display any negativity or lack of cooperation when the routine or environment changes. Child may offer suggestions for how to change activity or encourage others to participate. Child demonstrates a maturity to new people or to the changing situation.

c. Expresses emotions and needs through appropriate words and actions:

- **Area of Concern:** Child uses language that is immature or inappropriate for the situation. Child may throw a temper tantrum, refuse to cooperate, cry or refuse to participate with other children. The child exhibits behaviors that are not appropriate for four, five, and six-year-old children.
- **Developing:** Occasionally child demonstrates inappropriate emotions or refuses to participate in an activity. Child sometimes demonstrates emotions that are slightly immature for a kindergarten child.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child demonstrates age appropriate behaviors with adults and other children. Child uses self-regulation or reflective strategies to redirect self or problem solve.

Sample Behaviors by Rating for Social Development/Classroom Interactions

This section provides some sample behaviors that would be rated as an Area of Concern, Developing, and Consistently Demonstrating for each Social Development statement. Specific examples, although not exhaustive, are provided to alert teachers to some typical behaviors for each of the performance descriptors. They are not intended to be the only ways students can achieve a particular rating. You may observe additional or different behaviors that provide evidence of each Social Development statement.

a. Treats others with respect in words and actions

- **Area of Concern:** Child uses inappropriate language. Child may be physically aggressive toward children and adults. Child does not listen to or accept the ideas of others.
- **Developing:** Child occasionally demonstrates stubbornness and disagrees with others without consideration of their ideas.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child listens to the ideas of others and negotiates the best course of action. Child uses language that supports peers and adults (e.g., Thank you, that is a good idea, I like that!). Child demonstrates empathy when others are sad, mad, or hurt.

b. Shows caring for others

- **Area of Concern:** Child's individual needs are paramount in all situations. Child does not share. Child uses physical aggression to meet his or her own needs. Child shows limited emotion when others are sad, mad, or hurt.
- **Developing:** Child occasionally needs to have own needs met before helping others. Child demonstrates some egocentrism in their actions.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child meets own needs but in relation to the larger needs of others. Child demonstrates empathy when others are sad, mad, or hurt. Child shares materials, opens doors for others, helps others with or without requests for assistance.

c. Follows directions and school rules

- **Area of Concern:** Child demonstrates consistent disregard for rules. Child places self or others in danger as a result of not following school rules. Child infringes on the rights of peers or adults.
- **Developing:** Child occasionally breaks school rules or periodically fails to follow directions.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child follows school rules, asks for clarification, or seeks help to comply with rules or directions. Child may help others understand rules or follow directions.

d. Respects the property of others

- **Area of Concern:** Child demonstrates consistent disregard for property of others. Child breaks supplies or equipment, destroys property.
- **Developing:** Child occasionally usually materials or supplies without permission.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child follows school rules, asks for permission for use of materials and supplies. Child shows deliberate consideration for the property of others (e.g., returns scissors of a peer that are left on a table, etc.).

e. Works cooperatively with others

- **Area of Concern:** Child refuses to cooperate with adults or peers in the classroom.
- **Developing:** Child occasionally prefers to work with some children but not with others. Child may intermittently work cooperatively in an activity or small or large group setting.
- **Consistently Demonstrating:** Child works well with others regardless of the composition of the group. Child supports the contributions of other children, asks opinion or needs of others, demonstrates initiative in facilitating group activities.

IX. Motor Skills

The Motor Skills domain of GKIDS is optional unless required by the system. Teachers may choose to assess only those students who may have an area of concern or they may assess all or none of their students. Why Document Motor Skills Development? None of the fine motor skills can develop smoothly without the concurrent development of gross motor skills. Typical development moves from head to toe and moves from the body parts closest to the trunk to those far away. If possible, carry out fine motor activities after a period of gross motor activities (Gesell & Amatruda).

The following are examples of the development of Fine Motor Skills in Kindergarten

- Grows in eye hand coordination in getting dressed, building with blocks, putting together puzzles, reproducing shapes and patterns, stringing beads and using scissors.
- Develops increasing strength, dexterity, and control needed to use tools, e.g., such as scissors, paper punch, and stapler.
- Progresses in abilities to use writing, drawing and art tools including pencils, markers, chalk, paint brushes, and various types of adaptive technology as needed.
- Copies and draws simple shapes, letters, and words including name.

Seven fine motor skills and 14 gross motor skills are evaluated for GKIDS (see page 156). For each of the statements, students will be evaluated using the following levels:

- **Area of Concern**
- **Developing**
- **Consistently Demonstrating**

Motor Skills Menu

Category	Statement	Area of Concern	Developing	Consistently Demonstrating
Fine Motor Skills	a. Putting together puzzles using picture and shape cues			
	b. Buttoning shirts			
	c. Zipping jackets			
	d. Building structures with blocks			
	e. Holding a pencil in a mature grasp			
	f. Drawing pictures and letters with pencils, pens, crayons, markers			
	g. Cutting simple shapes with scissors			
Gross Motor Skills	a. Walk			
	b. Run			
	c. Hop			
	d. Skip			
	e. Jump			
	f. Gallop			
	g. Slide			
	h. Throw a ball			
	i. Catch a ball			
	j. Kick a stationary ball			
	k. Walk with bean bag on head			
	l. Chase			
	m. Dodge			
	n. Cross the midline			

Motor Skills: Performance Levels

Area of Concern: An area of concern would be noted if a child demonstrates fine or gross motor development that is below that expected of a typically developing four, five, or six-year old child. For example, if a child has been provided repeated instruction on how to hold and use a pencil, but has significant difficulty performing this task, one would rate this as an area of concern. A teacher would not rate an area of concern for a child who came to school at the beginning of the year and could not button his or her jacket. Because not all children are exposed to fine and gross motor skills prior to school entry, a child would only receive an area of concern rating, if after instruction, that child could not button his or her jacket. A child may receive this rating if the teacher suspects that the skill may be indicative of a special need in this area.

Developing: A child would be rated as developing if he or she could perform the fine or gross motor skill most of the time, but did not do so routinely. For example, a child who intermittently holds his or her pencil in a mature grasp, but who also holds the pencil intermittently with a full fist would be rated as developing. The assumption is that the teacher has provided instruction on the appropriate fine or gross motor skill. The child does not fully carry out the skill in a consistent way, but this does not significantly impact his or her academic progress. Children may receive this rating for a great portion of the year as they are still negotiating their physical abilities and limitations.

Consistently Demonstrating: A child would be rated as consistently demonstrating if the fine or gross motor skill is consistently attempted, carried out, and serves a purpose. For example, a child would be rated as consistently demonstrating if he or she could hold scissors appropriately, cut simple shapes with the scissors, and use his or her fine or gross motor skills to complete a task. The child should be demonstrating age appropriate fine and gross motor skills.

X. GKIDS Data Entry and Reporting Website

Beginning on August 1, 2016 the GKIDS data entry and reporting website will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except for scheduled maintenance) for general use. For teachers involved in Readiness Check training, the website will be available on July 11, 2016. The web address is <https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>. The website allows teachers to enter student data and generate student and class reports throughout the school year. School Coordinators can create and edit teacher accounts, and view school, class, and student level reports. System coordinators can create and edit school coordinator accounts, and view system, school, and student level reports. This section provides user instructions for system coordinators, school coordinators, and teachers.

Reminders for the 2016-2017 School Year

Adding Students to the GKIDS Database

There are two options for entering individual students into the GKIDS database:

1. Teachers can manually add their students to the database when the website goes online on August 1, 2016. For teachers participating in the administration of the Readiness Check, the website will be available on July 11, 2016. This is the method that has been used in previous years.

OR

2. Beginning September 20, 2016, teachers may select their students from a listing (specific to their school) of students that will be populated in the GKIDS website.

Note: Any student who has been entered manually prior to September 20, 2016 will not appear on the pre-populated school list. If a student is not on the school list, teachers can go to "manage students" and select "student search" to see if the student has already been entered.

If the student is not in the database, the teacher can manually enter the student.

If teachers in schools/systems that will use pre-population wish to start assessing students at the beginning of the school year, before September 20, 2016, they may use the recording sheet posted on the GaDOE website if desired: <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Documents/GKIDS%20Recording%20Sheet.pdf>

The student data that will be used to pre-populate GKIDS (Option 2 above) will be collected during Pre-ID Cycle I (August 10-19, 2016). Details regarding Pre-IDs can be found at: <http://www.gadoe.org/Technology-Services/Data-Collections/Pages/FY2014%20Pre-ID-Resources.aspx>.

Action steps for School Districts:

1. No later than August 1, 2016 - Districts should decide whether their teachers will manually add students at the beginning of the year or wait until September 20, 2016 to select students from the pre-populated school list.
 - NOTE: Teachers participating in the Inaugural Launch of the Readiness Check in fall of 2016 will manually add students to class rosters in the GKIDS website (available when the site goes online on July 11 for schools participating in the Readiness Check).
 - This decision can be made at the school level; **however, all teachers in a school should use the same method for entering students.**
 - It is possible for some schools in a district to manually add students beginning August 1, 2016, while other schools in the same district wait until September 20, 2016 to use the pre-population feature.
 - Students that are entered into GKIDS manually by teachers will not appear on the pre-populated school lists when they become available on September 20, 2016.

2. No later than August 19, 2016 - Submit the necessary information regarding kindergarten students during Pre-ID Cycle I.

3. No later than August 26, 2016 - System Test Coordinators should notify GCA of any new schools and/or school closures that would apply to GKIDS. This will enable GCA to include the correct schools in the pre-population upload. **Please contact the Georgia Center for Assessment at (888) 392-8977 to provide this information.**

All system and school coordinator and teacher information in the website from the previous school year will remain intact unless otherwise requested by systems. Your login and password from last year will remain active. If you have forgotten your login information, or if you have moved to a new school or system, please contact GCA for assistance.

Website Instructions for System Coordinators

As a system test coordinator, your main role is to manage user accounts for school test coordinators at each school in your system that has Kindergarten teachers. If you were a system coordinator last school year, your login and password are still valid. If you are a new system coordinator, are serving as a system coordinator for a different school system, or if you have forgotten your login information, contact GCA for assistance.

The directions below show you how to log in and create accounts for new school coordinators. Any coordinators you added last school year will still be in the database. **You only need to create accounts for new school coordinators. If one of your school coordinators served as a teacher or coordinator for a different school last year, contact GCA for assistance.**

Logging In

1. Go to <https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>
2. Enter your login and password
3. Click "Submit"

Changing Your Password or Email Address

1. From the Home Page, Click on "My Profile" at the top of the page
2. Make your changes to your name, email or password

3. Click "Update"

Adding School Coordinators

1. Login.
2. Drag the cursor over the word "Manage" at the top of the page
3. Click on "Users". You will then see a page that looks like the sample on the next page.

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You are logged in as: (System Coordinator for State Schools)

Home Reports Manage My Profile Logout

Add or Modify a User Record here.

[Add New System Coordinator](#) [Add New School Coordinator](#) [Delete School Coordinator](#)

Existing School Coordinators:

4. Click on "Add New School Coordinator." You will then be taken to a page to enter the school coordinator's information. Note that the names of existing coordinators will appear on this screen. The name of the school will also appear to the right of the coordinator's name.
5. Choose the school from the drop down menu. **Be sure you have selected the correct school for the coordinator. Adding a coordinator to the incorrect school could cause reporting errors.**
6. Fill out the other required fields
 - First Name
 - Last Name
 - Username (usually first initial and last name all lowercase)
 - Password
 - Password confirmation (re-enter the password)
 - Email Address
7. **Be sure to record the user name and password for each School Coordinator you create.**
8. Click "Create".
9. Inform school coordinators of their logins and passwords.

New Pre-Population Option for Adding Students (for teachers)

Teachers now have two options for adding their students to the GKIDS database.

1. **Manually Adding Students.** Teachers may manually add their students to the database when the website goes online on August 1, 2016. This is the method that has been used previously.
2. **Selecting Students from a School List (available beginning September 20, 2016).** If teachers wait until after Pre-ID Cycle 1, they may select their students from a school list starting on September 20, 2016. The website will be down from September 12-20 while GCA uploads student demographic information to the GKIDS database.

Viewing Reports

System, School, and Teacher Reports (PDF)

As a system coordinator, you can view the following reports: a system report, school reports, class reports for individual teachers, and individual student reports. To select a system or school report, click on "Reports" and then select "PDF Reports" from the pop up menu.

The screenshot displays the top navigation bar of the GKIDS website. On the left is the GaDOE logo with the text 'Georgia Department of Education' and 'Richard Woods, Georgia's School Superintendent "Ensuring Georgia's Future"'. In the center is the title 'GEORGIA KINDERGARTEN INVENTORY OF DEVELOPING SKILLS'. On the right is the 'gkids' logo. Below the title, it says 'You are logged in as: (System Coordinator for State Schools)'. A horizontal menu contains 'Home', 'Reports', 'Manage', 'My Profile', and 'Logout'. The 'Reports' menu is expanded, showing a dropdown list with 'PDF Reports', 'Student Information', and 'Classroom Report'. A vertical line is drawn through the 'Reports' menu to indicate the selection path.

Individual Student Reports

To view a report for one individual student, click on "Reports" and then select "Student Information" from the pop-up menu.

You will then see a page where you can enter the student's name and/or GTID# and click "search."

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You are logged in as: _____ (System Coordinator for State Schools)					
Home	Reports	Manage	My Profile	Logout	

To search for a student, enter as much information as you know. Leave blank any information you do not know.

Hint: If your search does not find the student, try again searching only on last name. This list of students found could be much larger, but will help in cases where a first name is misspelled or a GTID is incorrect.

GTID: (must use all 10 digits)

Last Name:

First Name:

School:

No students were found for your search criteria.

The student's name will appear along with links for the student's profile, strand level report, standard level report, and skill/element level report. You may click on these links to view the various reports. These reports are view only, meaning that changes must be made by the teacher. If you would like to view all of the students in the system, you can leave the name and GTID boxes blank and click "search." All the students in the system will then appear with links for the various reports.

Student Search

If a student has transferred into or out of your school system, you may search the GKIDS database to see where the student is currently assigned. Click "Manage," and then select "Find a Student" from the pop up menu.

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You are logged in as: (System Coordinator for State Schools)

Home Reports **Manage** My Profile Logout

Users

[Find a Student](#)

To search for a student, enter as much information as you know. Leave blank any information you do not know.

Hint: If your search does not find the student, try again searching only on last name. This list of students found could be much larger, but will help in cases where a first name is misspelled or a GTID is incorrect.

GTID: (must use all 10 digits)

Last Name:

First Name:

Previous system where student was registered:

No students were found for your search criteria.

<https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start/tracker/search>

You will then see a page where you can enter the student's name and/or GTID# and click "search."

If a student matches your search criteria, the student name will appear on the bottom of the screen along with the name of the system and school where the student was enrolled. If you hold the mouse over the school name, the previous teacher's name will also pop up.

If the student has been released by the previous teacher, you will see the word "released" to the left of the student's name. **Note: only a teacher is allowed to release or acquire a student. In the event of a transfer, the former teacher must release the student before the new teacher can acquire the student.**

Editing a school coordinator's information

If you have assigned a school coordinator to the incorrect school or if you need to edit a school coordinator's information, click on "manage, users" and then click on "edit" to the left of the coordinator's name. On this page, you may select a different school for the coordinator or reset the password.

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You are logged in as: (System Coordinator for State Schools)

Home | Reports | **Manage** | My Profile | Logout

Users
Find a Student

Add or Modify a User record here.

[Add New System Coordinator](#) | [Add New School Coordinator](#) | [Delete School Coordinator](#)

Existing School Coordinators:

[Edit Coordinator,](#)

Website Instructions for School Coordinators

As a school test coordinator, your main role is to manage user accounts for the teachers at your school. If you were a school coordinator last school year, your login and password are still valid. If you are a new school coordinator or if you have forgotten your login information, contact your system test coordinator or *GCA* for assistance.

The directions below show you how to log in and add teachers to the *GKIDS* database. Any teachers who were in the *GKIDS* database last year will still be in the database. **You only need to create accounts for new teachers.** **If one of your teachers had a *GKIDS* login and password at a different school last year, contact *GCA* for assistance.**

Logging In

1. Go to <https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>
2. Enter your login and password
3. Click "Submit"

Changing Your Password or Email Address

1. From the Home Page, Click on "My Profile" at the top of the page
2. Make your changes to your name, email or password
3. Click "Update"

Adding Teachers

1. Login
2. Drag the cursor over the word "Manage" at the top of the page
3. Click on "Users." You will then see a web page that looks like the sample on the following page.



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You are logged in as: Test Coordinator

Home	Reports	Manage	Students	My Profile	Logout
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Add or Modify a User Record here.

Add New Teacher	Add New Coordinator
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Existing Teachers:

4. Click on "Add New Teacher." You will then be taken to a page to enter the teacher's information. Note that the names of existing teachers will appear on this screen.

		GEORGIA KINDERGARTEN INVENTORY OF DEVELOPING SKILLS				
You are logged in as: Test Coordinator						
Home	Reports	Manage	Students	My Profile	Logout	

Complete this form to add a new teacher.

First name

Last name

Username

Password

Password Confirmation

Email

Coordinator status:
Active

5. Fill out the required fields

First Name

Last Name

Username (usually first initial and last name all lowercase)

Password

Password confirmation (re-enter your password)

Email Address

6. Be sure to record the user name and password (on a separate sheet of paper or file) for each teacher you create.

7. Click "Create".

8. Inform each teacher of his/her login and password.

Editing a teacher's information

If you have entered a teacher's name, or email incorrectly, click on "manage, users" and then click on "edit" to the left of the teacher's. On this page, you may make the necessary changes and click "update" to save the changes.

Pre-Population Option for Adding Students (for teachers)

Teachers now have two options for adding their students to the GKIDS database.

1. **Manually Adding Students.** Teachers may manually add their students to the database when the website goes online on August 1, 2016. This is the method that has been used previously.
2. **Selecting Students from a School List (available beginning September 20, 2016).** If teachers wait until after Pre-ID Cycle 1, they may select their students from a school list starting on September 20, 2016. The website will be down from September 12-20, 2016 while GCA uploads student demographic information to the GKIDS database.

Viewing Reports

School and Class Reports (PDF)

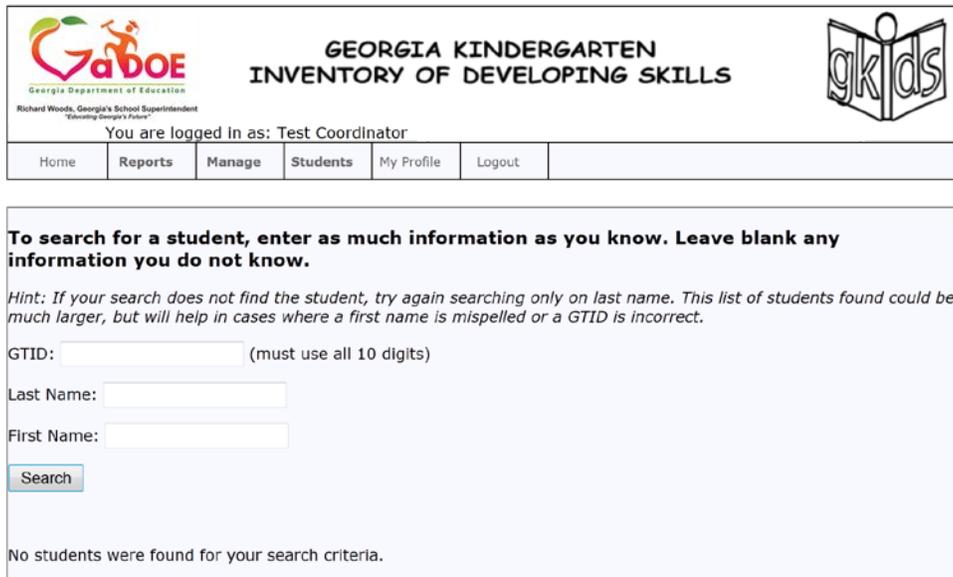
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Individual Student Reports

To view a report for one individual student, click on "Reports" and then select "Student Information" from the pop up menu.

You will then see a page where you can enter the student's name and/or GTID# and click "search."



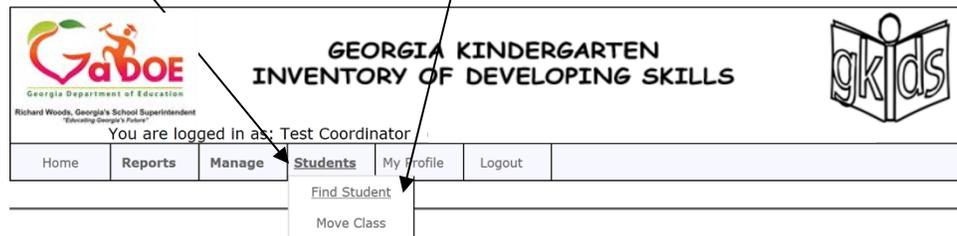
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The main content area contains a search instruction: "To search for a student, enter as much information as you know. Leave blank any information you do not know." Below this is a hint: "Hint: If your search does not find the student, try again searching only on last name. This list of students found could be much larger, but will help in cases where a first name is misspelled or a GTID is incorrect." The search form includes three input fields: "GTID:" (with a note "(must use all 10 digits)"), "Last Name:", and "First Name:". A "Search" button is located below the fields. At the bottom of the form, it displays the message: "No students were found for your search criteria."

The student's name will appear along with links for the student's profile, strand level report, standard level report, and skill/element level report. You may click on these links to view the various reports. These reports are view only, meaning that changes must be made by the teacher. If you would like to view all of the students in the system, you can leave the name and GTID boxes blank and click "search." All the students in the system will then appear with links for the various reports.

Student Search

If a student has transferred into or out of your school system, you may search the GKIDS database to see where the student is currently assigned. Click "Students," and then select "Find a Student" from the pop up menu.



You will then see a page where you can enter the student's name and/or GTID# and click "search."

If a student matches your search criteria, the student name will appear on the bottom of the screen along with the name of the system and school where the student was enrolled. If you hold the mouse over the school name, the teacher's name will also pop up.

If the student has been released by the previous teacher, you will see the word "released" to the left of the student's name. **Note: only a teacher is allowed to release or acquire a student. In the event of a transfer, the former teacher must release the student before the new teacher can acquire the student.**

Website Instructions for Teachers

You will use the GKIDS website to enter data on your students and generate reports throughout the year. When you first login, you will have to add your students into the database before you can begin recording data. **Your school test coordinator will provide you with your login name and password.**

The GKIDS Data Entry website is: <https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>

Note the "s" following "http" in the web address to indicate a secure network.

How to Log In

1. Go to the GKIDS website:
<https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start>

2. Enter your login/username and password

The screenshot shows the login interface for the GKIDS website. At the top, there are logos for the Georgia Department of Education and the GKIDS program, along with the text 'GEORGIA KINDERGARTEN INVENTORY OF DEVELOPING SKILLS'. Below this, a message states 'You are not currently logged in.' The main section is titled 'Login' and contains a 'Login:' label, a 'Password:' label, a 'Forgot login information?' link, and a 'Submit' button. An arrow from step 2 of the instructions points to the login fields.

3. Click "Submit"

Changing Your Password or Email Address

1. After you log in, click on "My Profile" at the top of the page
2. Make your changes to your name, email or password
3. Click "Update"

Adding Your Students to the GKIDS Database

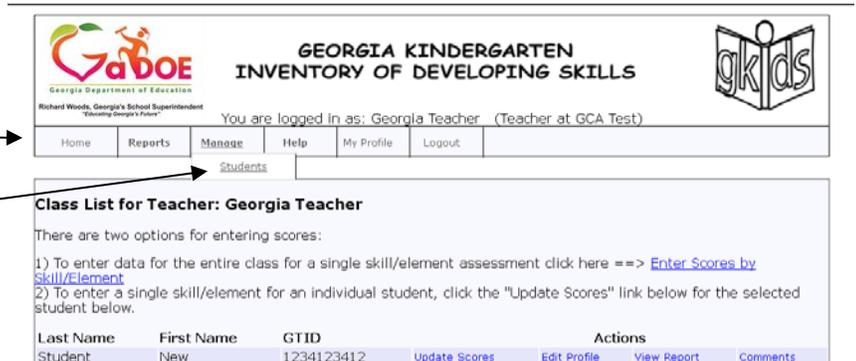
The first time you log in, there will not be any students assigned to your class. The home page will not have any student names listed. There are now two options for adding students to the GKIDS database.

1. **Manually Adding Students.** Teachers may manually add their students to the database when the website goes online on August 1, 2016. This is the method that has been used previously.
2. **Selecting Students from a Pre-Populated School List (available beginning September 20, 2016).** If teachers wait until after Pre-ID Cycle 1, they may select their students from a school list starting on September 20, 2016. The website will be down from September 12-20 while GCA uploads student demographic information to the GKIDS database.

Manually Adding Students (Available August 1, 2016)

To manually add your students to the GKIDS database, follow these steps:

1. Move the cursor over the word "Manage" on the main menu bar at the top of the page.
2. Click on "Students"
3. This will take you to the student management page.



The screenshot displays the GKIDS website interface. At the top, there is a header with the Georgia Department of Education logo and the text "GEORGIA KINDERGARTEN INVENTORY OF DEVELOPING SKILLS". Below the header, a navigation menu includes "Home", "Reports", "Manage", "Help", "My Profile", and "Logout". The "Manage" menu is expanded, showing "Students" as the selected option. The main content area is titled "Class List for Teacher: Georgia Teacher" and contains instructions for entering scores. Below the instructions is a table with columns for "Last Name", "First Name", "GTID", and "Actions". The table contains one row with the following data:

Last Name	First Name	GTID	Actions
Student	New	1234123412	Update Scores Edit Profile View Report Comments

<https://gkids.tsars.uga.edu/start/teacher/mngstu>

4. Click on "Add New Student" to add a new student.

Note: If a student transfers from another Georgia public school during the school year, click on "Student Search" to see if the student is already in the GKIDS database. If the student is in the database, you can acquire the student for your class list along with any data entered for that student.

You are logged in as: Georgia Teacher (Teacher at GCA Test)

Home Reports Manage Help My Profile Logout

There are 4 options for managing your students

- 1) [Add New Student](#) If this is a brand new student.
- 2) [Student Search](#) If this student is transferring from another school/system and may already be in the GKIDS database.
- 3) [Prepopulation Search](#) Look in the DOE prepopulation database
- 4) Work with your current students by selecting the appropriate student action below.

Student List for this teacher.

[Add New Student](#)

Teacher	Student	SRC	Action
Teacher, Georgia	Student, Nonpre	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student, NonpreB	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student0, Example	1,13,17	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student1, Example	9	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student10, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student100, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student102, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student11, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student12, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student13, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student3, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student5, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student6, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student9, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster

5. Fill out the required fields:

- GTID# (10 digit number; re-enter the number in the confirmation box)
- Student's First and Last Name
- Date of Birth

6. First select an ethnicity (Hispanic or Non-Hispanic). Then click on all of the race categories that apply.

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Editing student for teacher: Georgia Teacher

Demographics

Student GTID: Student GTID confirmation: FTE

(Note: GTID confirmation field is only needed if entering a new student or If changing a s

First name: Date of Birth: (

Last name: Gender: Male

Ethnic: EIP: Yes No

Race (check all that apply)

- American Indian/Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black/African American
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- White

Retained: Yes No

RTI: Tier 1 * Tier 2 Tier :

Pre-K (check all that apply)

- Lottery Funded
- Home Schooled

7. Select the student's gender from the drop down list.
8. Select EIP Status (Yes or No).
9. Indicate if the student has been retained.
10. Select an RTI Level.
11. Click on the student's Pre-K status.
12. Click on any SRC codes that apply.
13. Click "Update."

Editing student for teacher: tsholder teacher

Demographics

Student GTID: 9898989898 Student GTID confirmation:
 (Note: GTID confirmation field is only needed if entering a new student or if changing a student's GTID.)

First name: Date of Birth: 01/01/02 (mm/dd/yy)
 Last name: Gender: Female

Ethnic: Hispanic/Latino EIP: Yes No

Race (check all that apply)

American Indian/Alaskan Native
 Asian
 Black/African American
 Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
 White

Retained: Yes No

RTI: Tier 1 Tier 2 Tier 3 Sp Ed Gifted

Pre-K (check all that apply)

Lottery Funded Head Start
 Home Schooled Private

State Required Code (SRC) -- Check One if Applicable

01 - Visual Impairment or Blind 08 - Autism
 02 - Deaf or Hard of Hearing 09 - Orthopedic Impairment
 03 - Deaf and Blind 10 - Speech/Language Impairment
 04 - Specific Learning Disability 11 - Emotional/Behavioral Disorder
 05 - Mild Intellectual Disability 12 - Other Health Impairment
 06 - Traumatic Brain Injury 15 - Significant Developmental Delay
 07 - Moderate, Severe or Profound Intellectual Disability

State Required Code (SRC) -- Check All That Apply

13 - English Learner (EL) 17 - Title I Mathematics
 14 - Section 504 18 - Migrant
 16 - Title I Reading 19 - English Learner-Monitored (EL-M)

Update (Click the update button to save your changes.)

After you have added all of your students to the database, click on "Home" on the menu bar at the top of the page. Your Home Page will now display the students in your class. The students will appear in alphabetical order.

IMPORTANT: If you have entered a student's name or GTID# incorrectly, do not remove the student from your class list. Instead, edit the student's information by clicking on "edit profile" next to the student's name. You will be taken to the student's profile page where you can make necessary changes and click "update" to save the changes. Note: you only have to re-enter the GTID# in the confirmation box if you are changing the GTID#. Otherwise, leave the confirmation box blank.

Selecting Students from the Pre-Populated School List (available September 20, 2016)

To select students from the pre-populated school list, follow these steps:

1. Go to the "Manage Students" page.

2. Click on Option 3, "Prepopulation Search."

This will take you to the page with the list of students at your school.

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There are 4 options for managing your students

- 1) [Add New Student](#) if this is a brand new student.
- 2) [Student Search](#) if this student is transferring from another school/system and may already be in the database.
- 3) [Prepopulation Search](#) Look in the DOE prepopulation database
- 4) Work with your current students by selecting the appropriate student action below.

Student List for this teacher.

[Add New Student](#)

Teacher	Student	SRC	Action
Teacher, Georgia	Student, Nonpre	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student, NonpreB	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student0, Example	1,13,17	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student1, Example	9	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student10, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student100, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student102, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student11, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student12, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student13, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student3, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student5, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student6, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Student9, Example	None	Edit Remove from roster

3. To select a student, click on the boxes to the left of the student names (you may select all of your students at one time).

4. Then click "Submit" at the bottom of the page.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student0	1234123413
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student1	1717171718
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Example Student10	005225874
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Example Student11	0071673555
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Example Student12	0083096326
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Example Student13	0084951928
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student2	9897969595
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student3	000000017
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student4	0035606820
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student5	0039854330
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student6	0067691348
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student7	0083670283
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student8	0099262496
<input type="checkbox"/>	Example Student9	0074328554

Note: Any student who has been entered manually prior to September 20, 2016 will not appear on the pre-populated school list. If one of your students is not on the school list, go to "manage students" and select "student search" to see if the student has already been entered.

If the student is not in the database, you can manually enter the student.

If you attempt to select a student who has already been selected by another teacher, you will receive an error message indicating that the students are unable to be assigned to you.

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Class List for Teacher: Georgia Teacher		
Sorry, but we are unable to assign the following students to you. Most likely another teacher claimed these students just before you submitted your list of students.		
Last Name	First Name	GTID
Student104	Example	9999999088
Your current class list is as follows.		
Last Name	First Name	GTID
Student	Nonpre	1212121212
Student	NonpreB	2323232323
Student0	Example	1234123413
Student1	Example	1717171718
Student10	Example	0055225874
Student100	Example	9999999084
Student102	Example	9999999086
Student11	Example	0071673555
Student12	Example	0083096326
Student13	Example	0084951928
Student3	Example	0000000017
Student5	Example	0039854330
Student6	Example	0067691348
Student9	Example	0074328554

In this case above, the teacher attempts to select 14 students. However, four of those students have been selected by another teacher. Those four students have not assigned to her class, but the other ten students have been assigned to her class list.

Reminder: the pre-populated school list option is not available until September 20, 2016. If you wish to begin entering assessment data for students at the beginning of the year, you may manually add your students to the GKIDS database. Students added manually will not appear on the pre-populated school list when it is uploaded on September 20, 2016.

Alternately, if you want to use the pre-population feature, you may begin assessing your students using a recording sheet at the beginning of the year, and then transfer the data to the website after September 20, 2016.

Entering Student Data

There are two options for entering student data:

1. Click on "Enter Scores by Skill/Element" to enter data for the entire class for a single skill/element.
2. Click on "Update Scores" next to a student's name to enter a single skill/element assessment for an individual student. This method is probably best for changing a single student's score after the initial data recording.

Data Entry Method 1: Entering data for all students in the class on a single skill/element.

1. From the home page, click on "Enter Scores by Skill/Element" to enter student data or revise data that was previously entered. (Click on "Home" at the top of the page if you are not on your home page).
2. Underneath the main menu bar, you will see a second menu bar with a link for each of the domains assessed in GKIDS (e.g., Mathematics).
3. Place the cursor over the domain you wish to assess, and a list of all the standards for that domain will pop up. Scroll down the page to see all of the standards.
4. Click on the desired standard and all of the skills/elements included in that standard will appear.





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English Lang Arts	Math	Social Studies	Science	Approaches	Personal Social Devel	Motor Skills
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MATH - MGSEKCC4

[MGSEKCC4 \(a\)](#) : Say the number names in the standard order

[MGSEKCC4 \(b\)](#) : Last number name said tells the number of objects

[MGSEKCC4 \(c\)](#) : Each number name refers to a quantity that is one larger

5. Click on the skill/element you want to assess.

6. You should now see all of your students' names and the available performance levels.

7. For each student, click on the circle under the appropriate performance level.

8. You can select the same performance level for all students by selecting the level here and then clicking "Set All." You may still change an individual student's performance level if necessary.

9. Click "Update" to record the data.

Assessment Update by Class

Domain: Mathematics
Standard: Relationship between numbers and quantities
Skill/Element: (a) Say the number names in the standard order

Update Assessments Below

Not Yet Assessed

Student Name	Not Yet Assessed	Not Yet Demonstrated	Emerging	Progressing	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard
Student, New	*	o	--	o	o	--
Test, Newble	*	o	--	o	o	--

Performance level descriptors for the above skill/element.

Not Yet Demonstrated	When counting objects, the student does not say the number names in the standard order, or not pair each object with one and only one number name and each number name with one or one object.
Progressing	When counting objects, the student says the number in the standard order sometimes but do consistently pair each number with one and only one object.
Meets	When counting objects, the student consistently says the number names in the standard order pairing each object with one and only one number name and each number name with one and only one object.

Data Entry Method 2. Entering Data for an Individual Student

1. After you have added your students to the database, you should see a list of their names on the "Home" page (Click on "Home" at the top of the page if you are not on your home page).

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Class List for Teacher: Georgia Teacher

There are two options for entering scores:

- 1) To enter data for the entire class for a single skill/element assessment click here ==> [Enter Scores by Skill/Element](#)
- 2) To enter a single skill/element for an individual student, click the "Update Scores" link below for the selected student below.

Last Name	First Name	GTID	Actions			
Student	New	1234123412	Update Scores	Edit Profile	View Report	Comments
Test	Newbie	1717171717	Update Scores	Edit Profile	View Report	Comments

2. To the right of the student's name, number and SRC code(s), you should see a link to "Update Scores." Click on this link to enter student data or revise data that has already been entered.
3. Underneath the main menu bar, you will see a second menu bar with a link for each of the domains assessed in GKIDS (e.g., Mathematics).
4. Place the cursor over the domain you wish to assess, and a list of all the standards for that domain will pop up.
5. Click on the desired standard, and all of the skills/elements included in that standard will appear.
6. You should now see the student's name and the available performance levels for that skill/element.
7. Click on the circle under the appropriate performance level.
8. Click on "Update" to record the data.

Report Options on the GKIDS Website

Teachers will be able to view and print the following reports throughout the year using the GKIDS website:

- **Student Report by Skill/Element:** shows the student's performance level for every skill/element.
- **Student Report by Standard:** shows a summary of student performance for each standard.
- **Student Report by Strand:** shows a summary of student performance for each strand within a domain (e.g., Reading, Writing, and Speaking and Listening, and Language strands within the domain of ELA).
- **Class Report:** shows the percentage of students at each performance level for every skill/element.

Each report is available in two formats:

- **Downloadable PDF Reports** for all of your students. The PDF reports may be saved to your computer or printed, but they may take longer to generate if multiple teachers request them at the same time. The PDF reports include only the required domains (ELA, Mathematics, Approaches to Learning, Personal and Social Development). Note that the PDF file contains reports for every student in the class in a single file. See pages 195-197 for examples of the Skill/Element-Level, Standard-Level, and Strand-Level student reports.
- **Web pages Student Reports.** The individual reports will be generated instantly, and a printer-friendly version can be selected but they cannot be saved to your computer. The web page reports include all domains.

To View Student Reports

Teachers may view a student report at any time during the year by following these steps.

1. Click on "Reports" on the main menu bar and then click on "Student Reports". The following page will appear.
2. To generate PDF reports for your students, click "PDF Reports"

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Class List for Teacher: Georgia Teacher

Please select a report you wish to view:

Downloadable PDF reports are available by clicking here --> [PDF Reports](#)

or you can get web pages with individual student reports by choosing a report link below:

Last Name	First Name	GTID	Actions		
Student	New	1234123412	Strand-Level Report	Standard-Level Report	Element-Level Report
Test	Newble	1717171717	Strand-Level Report	Standard-Level Report	Element-Level Report

3. To generate a web page with an individual student report, select "Strand-Level Report," "Standard-Level Report" or "Skill/Element-Level Report" on the line next to the student name.

PDF Reports

If you select the PDF report option, you will see a page like this. Note the cautions on this page.

- The PDF report will include all your students in one downloadable file. It is best not to request a PDF report until you have entered all your data that you would like to have reflected in the report.
- The PDF reports can take a long time to generate depending on how many other users of the GKIDS system are requesting PDF reports. Only choose a PDF report if you really need it.



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Here you can request PDF versions of some reports. Please keep in mind the following important information:

- The PDF report will only include ELA, Math, Personal and Social Development and Approaches to Learning.
- The PDF report will include all your students in one downloadable file. Thus, it is best not to request a PDF report until you have entered all your data that you would like to have reflected in the report.
- The PDF reports can take a long time to generate depending on how many other users of the GKIDS system are requesting PDF reports. Only choose a PDF report if you really need it.

Please select a report you wish to view:

[Strand-Level Report](#) [Standard-Level Report](#) [Element-Level Report](#)

If you would like to generate a PDF report, click on "Strand-Level Report," "Standard-Level Report" or "Skill/Element Level Report." See pages 195-197 for examples of the Skill/Element-Level, Standard-Level, and Strand-Level student reports.

Web Pages with Student Reports

You may select a student report by strand, by standard, or by skill/element. If you select, "Strand-Level" report for an individual student, a page like this will appear on the screen:

You may select a printer-friendly version of this report by clicking here:

The screenshot shows the following content:

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GKIDS Student Report by Strand

Name: New Student

For a printable version of this report, click here --> [Strand-Level Report](#)

ELA	# of Skills/Elements	# Assessed	# of Skills/Elements at Each Performance Level					How often student Meets or Exceeds
			ND	EM	PR	ME	EX	
Reading	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 elements
Writing	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 elements
								0 times in 0

The report indicates the # of skills/elements at each performance level for each strand within a domain. For example, within the domain of ELA, the report shows student performance in the strands of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening, and Language. You may select a printer-friendly version of this report.

Student Transfers: Removing a Student from Your Class List

If a student transfers out of your class (or if you accidentally added a student to your class list), you can release the student from your class list. The student can then be acquired by the new school and his/her data (including any comments you have made) will follow the student to the new school.

IMPORTANT: If you enter a student's name or GTID# incorrectly, **DO NOT** remove the student from your class list. Instead, you can edit the student's information by clicking on "edit profile" next to the student's name.

1. To remove a student from your class list, go to the "Manage Students" page:

There are 3 options for managing your students

- 1) [Add New Student](#) if this is a brand new student.
- 2) [Student Search](#) if this student is transferring from another school/system and may already be in the GKIDS database.
- 3) Work with your current students by selecting the appropriate student action below.

Student List for this teacher.

[Add New Student](#)

Teacher	Student	SRC	Action
Teacher, Georgia	Student, New	None	Edit Remove from roster
Teacher, Georgia	Test, Newbie	9	Edit Remove from roster

2. Click on "Remove from Roster" on the line with the student's name to remove the student from your class list.
3. You will then see a confirmation message to verify that you intend to release the student.
4. Please review the teacher/student information and click on the "Release" button to release the student, or the "Cancel" button to stop this action.

Student Transfers: Acquiring a New Student during the School Year

If a student transfers into your class from another Georgia public school or another class within your school, you may be able to acquire the student and the student's data from the GKIDS database. To search for a student:

1. Go to the "Manage Students" page:
2. Click on the #2 option, "Student Search"
3. Enter the student's name and/or GTID number and click "Search."

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To search for a student, enter as much information as you know. Leave blank any information you do not know.

Hint: If your search does not find the student, try again searching only on last name. This list of students found could be much larger, but will help in cases where a first name is misspelled or a GTID is incorrect.

GTID: (must use all 10 digits)

Last Name:

First Name:

Previous system where student was registered: Unknown

Search

No students were found for your search criteria.

4. If a student matches your search criteria, the student name will appear on the bottom of the screen along with the name of the system and school where the student was enrolled. If you hold the mouse over the school name, the previous teacher's name will also pop up.
5. If the student has been released by his/her previous teacher, you will see the word "acquire" to the left of the student's name.
6. Click on "acquire" next to the student name to acquire the student.
7. A confirmation screen will then appear.
8. Click the box next to the student's name.
9. Click update to confirm.

Note: If the blue "acquire" link does not appear, the student has not yet been released from the previous teacher's class. In this case, your school coordinator should contact the previous school and ask the teacher to release the student.

Using the Comments Function

There may be times during the year at which you want to enter written comments to clarify a student's performance or for instructional planning. Written comments may be entered by:

1. Click on the "Comments" link on the Home page. You will then see a page that looks like this:

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Comments for student: Student, New

Domain:

- General Comments
- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Science**
- Approaches to Learning
- Personal and Social Development
- Motor Skills

2. Select the domain of learning.
3. Type your comment in the white box (maximum of 255 characters).
4. Click "Add."
5. After your comments are saved, you may choose to return to the comments page or to the student listing (Home page).
6. The next time you return to the comments page, your previous comments will be shown below the comment box.
7. You may add a new comment or edit a previous comment by clicking on "edit" to the left of the date the previous comment was entered.

Assessment Resources

If you click on "Help" on the menu bar at the top of the page, you can access links to assessment activities with instructional suggestions for each skill/element, and frequently asked questions.

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Assessment Activities
FAQ

Class List for Teacher: Georgia Teacher

There are two options for entering scores:

- 1) To enter data for the entire class for a single skill/element assessment click here ==> [Enter Scores by Skill/Element](#)
- 2) To enter a single skill/element for an individual student, click the "Update Scores" link below for the selected student below.

Last Name	First Name	GTID	Actions			
Student	New	1234123412	Update Scores	Edit Profile	View Report	Comments
Test	Newbie	1717171717	Update Scores	Edit Profile	View Report	Comments

XI. GKIDS Reports

GKIDS has been developed to serve two important functions: 1) provide kindergarten teachers with diagnostic information about kindergarten students' developing skills in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Approaches to Learning, Personal/Social Development, and Motor Skills and 2) provide a summary of student performance in English Language Arts and Mathematics at the end of the kindergarten school year to serve as one indicator of first grade readiness. Because GKIDS serves both a formative and summative role in assessing kindergarten students, there will be formative reports available throughout the school year and summative reports generated at the end of the school year.

Individual Student Reports

Teachers will be able to view and print the following reports at any time throughout the year using the GKIDS website:

- **Skill/Element-Level Report:** shows the student's performance level for every skill/element.
- **Standard-Level Report:** shows a summary of student performance for each standard.
- **Strand-Level Report:** shows a summary of student performance for each strand within a domain (e.g., Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening, and Language strands within the domain of ELA).

The student reports and the class report are available in two formats:

- **Downloadable PDF Reports** for all of your students. The PDF reports may be saved to your computer or printed, but they may take longer to generate if multiple teachers request them at the same time. Note that the PDF file contains student reports for every student in your class in a single file. See pages 195-197 for examples of the Skill/Element-Level, Standard-Level, and Strand-Level student reports.
- **Web pages with Student Reports.** The report will appear on the screen immediately after it is selected. You may print these reports, but they cannot be saved to your computer.

Summary Reports

The following reports will be available on the GKIDS website throughout the school year:

- **Class Report:** shows the percentage of students at each performance level for every skill/element. The teacher and school test coordinator will be able to view this report. The report will include data entered at the time the report was selected.
- **School Report:** shows the percentage of students at each performance level for every skill/element. School and system coordinators will be able to view this report.
- **System Report:** shows the percentage of students at each performance level for every skill/element. The system coordinator can generate a system report.

School and System reports will be generated in PDF format by GCA during each weekend. The report will include data entered by the date listed on the report. The school test coordinator will be able to view the most recent school report on the GKIDS website. The system test coordinator will be able to view the most recent school and system reports on the GKIDS website. Viewing these reports on Mondays will provide you with the most recent data available.

Note: PDF reports only include the state-required domains: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Approaches to Learning, and Personal and Social Development. The Web Page reports include all of the domains of GKIDS: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Approaches to Learning, Personal and Social Development, Social Studies, Science, and Motor Skills.

End-of-the-Year Reports

After the reporting deadline in May, GCA will generate school and system summary reports based on the date entered in the GKIDS website database. These summaries and a data file will be delivered to systems. Data entered after the deadline will NOT be included in the summary reports or data file. Teachers may select any of the individual student reports available on the GKIDS website (strand, standard, or skill/element-level) to serve as the official individual student report. The chart on the next page shows all of the report options for GKIDS.

GKIDS Report Options

Individual Student Reports

Name of Report	Who can select and view the report?	What level is the data?	How often can these reports be viewed?	What are the format options?
Student Report by Skill/Element	Teacher	Skill/Element	Anytime throughout the year	Web Page or PDF
Student Report by Standard	Teacher	Standard	Anytime throughout the year	Web Page or PDF
Student Report by Strand	Teacher	Strand	Anytime throughout the year	Web Page or PDF

Summary Reports

Name of Report	Who can select and view the report?	What level is the data?	How often can these reports be viewed?	What are the format options?
Class Summary Report	Teacher School Coordinator System Coordinator	Skill/Element	Anytime throughout the year	Web Page or PDF
School Summary Report	School Coordinator System Coordinator	Skill/Element	Reports can be viewed at any time; <i>GCA</i> will generate PDF summaries on the weekends.	PDF
System Summary Report	System Coordinator	Skill/Element	Reports can be viewed at any time; <i>GCA</i> will generate PDF summaries on the weekends.	PDF
State Summary Report	State-level User	Skill/Element	Reports can be viewed at any time; <i>GCA</i> will generate PDF summaries on the weekends.	PDF

Sample Reports

This section provides you with samples of the reports that are available on the GKIDS website throughout the school year. Each report is available as a web page report or a PDF file. The samples shown in this section are the PDF versions of the reports. The PDF version is a single file that contains reports for all of the students in your class. You may print this PDF file or save it to your computer. You can select a Web Page Student Report for each student and it will appear on the screen. The Web Page report can also be printed, but you cannot save it to your computer.

Skill/Element-Level Student Report

The dot indicates the performance level that was entered for the student. If the cell is shaded, it indicates that the performance level is not available for that skill/element. See page 195 for a sample skill/element-level report.

Standard-Level Student Report

This report indicates how many skills/elements fall within each performance level category for each standard. See page 196 for a sample standard-level report.

Strand-Level Student Report

This report indicates how many skills/elements fall within each performance level category for each strand. See page 197 for a sample strand-level report. **Note: because some Reading Literary and Reading Informational standards have been combined for the purpose of the GKIDS assessment, these standards are all included in the general "Reading" strand.**

Class Report

This report indicates the percentage of students at each performance level for each skill/element assessed. See page 198 for a sample class report.

Skill/Element-Level Student Report – page 1 (PDF version)

GKIDS Detailed Student Report

Student: studentlname, examplefname

GTID: 9898989898

Date: Jun 2, 2011

School: GCA Test

Teacher: teacher

Standard: English Lang Arts	Skill/Element Description	Rating					
		NA	ND	EM	PR	MS	EX
Story Reading Skills	Answer questions about a text, retell familiar stories					•	
Words in a text	With support, ask and answer questions about words in a text					•	
Types of literary texts	Recognize common types of texts					•	
Authors and illustrations	Describe the role of the author and illustrations in a text					•	
Compare and contrast stories	Compare and contrast experience of characters in stories					•	
Group reading activities	Actively engage in group reading activities					•	
Informational texts	Answer questions about and describe informational texts					•	
Parts of a book	Identify front cover, back cover, and title page					•	
Author's supporting reasons	Identify the reasons an author gives to support points					•	
Compare informational texts	Identify similarities and differences in two texts					•	
Organization/features of print	(a) Follow words left-right, top-bottom, page-by-page	•					
	(b,c) Spoken words are represented by sequences of letters					•	
	(d) Recognize and name upper- and lower-case letters					•	
Spoken words, syllables, sounds	(a) Recognize and produce rhyming words					•	
	(b) Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables					•	
	(c) Blend and segment onsets and rimes					•	
	(d) Pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds					•	
	(e) Add/substitute individual sounds to make new words					•	
Phonics and word analysis	(a,b) Demonstrate basic knowledge of consonants and vowels					•	
	(c) Distinguish between similarly spelled words					•	
High-freq words, emergent texts	Read common high-frequency words and emergent-reader texts					•	
Opinion pieces	Draw, dictate, and write to compose opinion pieces					•	
Informative texts	Draw, dictate, and write to compose informative texts					•	
Narratives	Draw, dictate, and write to narrate an event					•	
Suggestions from peers	Respond to suggestions from peers to improve writing					•	
Writing tools	Explore tools to produce and publish writing					•	
Shared research/writing project	With support, participate in shared research and writing projects					•	
Collaborative conversations	(a,b) Participate in collaborative conversations					•	
Information presented orally	Ask/answer questions about information presented orally					•	
Describe people, places, things	Describe familiar people, places, things, and events					•	
Grammar/usage	(a) Print many upper- and lowercase letters					•	
	(b,c) Use frequently occurring nouns/verbs; form plurals					•	
	(d) Understand and use question words					•	
	(e) Use the most frequently occurring prepositions					•	
	(f) Produce and expand complete sentences					•	
							•
Capitalization/punctuation/spell	(a,b) Capitalize words and name end punctuation					•	
	(c,d) Spell phonetically; letters for consonant/vowel sounds					•	

Standard-Level Student Report - page 1 (PDF version)

Student Report by Standard

Student: examplename studentName

GTID: 9898989898

School: GCA Test

Report Date: Jun 29, 2015

English Language Arts	# of Skills/ Elements	# Assessed	# of Skills/Elements at Each Performance Level						How often student meets or exceeds
			NA	ND	EM	PR	MS	EX	
Story reading skills	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Questions about words in text	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Common types of literary texts	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Authors and illustrations in stories	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Compare and contrast characters	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Group reading activities	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Answer questions about informational texts	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Parts of a book	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Identify author's supporting reasons	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Compare informational texts	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Organization and basic features of print	3	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	2 out of 2
Spoken words, syllables, and sounds	5	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	5 out of 5
Phonics and word analysis	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2 out of 2
High-freq words and emergent-reader texts	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Opinion pieces	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Informative texts	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Narratives	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Responds to suggestions from peers	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Writing tools	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Shared research and writing projects	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Participate in collaborative conversations	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Information presented orally	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Describe people, places, things, and events	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 out of 1
Grammar and usage	5	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	5 out of 5
Capitalization, punctuation, and spelling	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2 out of 2
Meaning of words and phrases	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2 out of 2
Word relationships and word meanings	3	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	3 out of 3

Notes: NA = Not Assessed, ND = Not Yet Demonstrated, EM = Emerging, PR = Progressing, MS = Meets Standard
EX = Exceeds Standard, AC = Area of Concern, DE = Developing, CD = Consistently Demonstrating

Strand-Level Student Report - page 1 (PDF version)

Student Report by Strand

Student: New Student

GTID: 1234123412

School: GCA Test

Report Date:

ELA	# of Skills/ Elements	# Assessed	# of Skills/Elements at Each Performance Level						How often student meets or exceeds
			NA	ND	EM	PR	MS	EX	
Reading	22	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>
Writing	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>
Speaking and Listening	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>
Language	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>

MATH	# of Skills/ Elements	# Assessed	# of Skills/Elements at Each Performance Level						How often student meets or exceeds
			NA	ND	EM	PR	MS	EX	
Counting and Cardinality	9	1	8	0	0	0	1	0	1 times in 1 skills/elements <hr/>
Operations and Algebraic Thinking	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>
Numbers and Operations in Base 10	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>
Measurement and Data	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>
Geometry	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0 times in 0 skills/elements <hr/>

Class Report (PDF version)

GKIDS Class Report

Teacher: tsholder teacher

Student Count: 2

School: GCA Test

Report Date: Jun 29, 2015

Standard: English Language Arts	Skill/Element Description	Rating %					
		NA	ND	EM	PR	MS	EX
Story Reading Skills	Answer questions about a text, retell familiar stories	50	0		0	50	0
Words in a text	With support, ask and answer questions about words in a text	50	0		0	50	
Types of literary texts	Recognize common types of texts	50	0		0	50	
Authors and illustrations	Describe the role of the author and illustrations in a text	50	0	0	0	50	
Compare and contrast stories	Compare and contrast experience of characters in stories	50	0		0	50	
Group reading activities	Actively engage in group reading activities	50	0		0	50	
Informational texts	Answer questions about and describe informational texts	50	0		0	50	
Parts of a book	Identify front cover, back cover, and title page	50	0		0	50	
Author's supporting reasons	Identify the reasons an author gives to support points	50	0		0	50	
Compare informational texts	Identify similarities and differences in two texts	50	0		0	50	
Organization/features of print	Follow words left-right, top-bottom, page-by-page	100	0		0	0	
	Spoken words are represented by sequences of letters	50	0		0	50	
	Recognize and name upper- and lower-case letters	50	0	0	0	50	
Spoken words, syllables, sounds	Recognize and produce rhyming words.	50	0		0	50	
	Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables	50	0		0	50	
	Blend and segment onsets and rimes	50	0		0	50	
	Pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds	50	0	0	0	50	
	Add/substitute individual sounds to make new words	50	0		0	50	
Phonics and word analysis	Demonstrate basic knowledge of consonants and vowels	50	0	0	0	50	0
	Distinguish between similarly spelled words	50	0		0	50	
High-freq words, emergent texts	Read common high-frequency words and emergent-reader texts	50	0		0	50	0
Opinion pieces	Draw, dictate, and write to compose opinion pieces	50	0	0	0	50	
Informative texts	Draw, dictate, and write to compose informative texts	50	0		0	50	
Narratives	Draw, dictate, and write to narrate an event	50	0		0	50	
Suggestions from peers	Respond to suggestions from peers to improve writing	50	0		0	50	
Writing tools	Explore tools to produce and publish writing	50	0		0	50	0
Shared research/writing project	With support, participate in shared research and writing projects	50	0		0	50	
Collaborative conversations	Participate in collaborative conversations	50	0		0	50	
Information presented orally	Ask/answer questions about information presented orally	50	0		0	50	
Describe people, places, things	Describe familiar people, places, things, and events	50	0		0	50	
Grammar/usage	Print many upper- and lowercase letters	50	0		0	50	0
	Use frequently occurring nouns/verbs; form plurals	50	0		0	50	
	Understand and use question words	50	0		0	50	
	Use the most frequently occurring prepositions	50	0		0	50	
	Produce and expand complete sentences	50	0		0	50	
Capitalization/punctuation/spell	Capitalize words and name end punctuation	50	0		0	50	
	Spell phonetically; letters for consonant/vowel sounds	50	0		0	50	0

