

Welcome Kindergarten Parents,

In order to provide the best literacy instruction for your child and to track growth, our kindergarten team completes a variety of assessments throughout the year. These assessments include DIBELS Next and a benchmark assessment.

Your child will be assessed with DIBELS Next three times during the year. This assessment focuses on fluency of letter names, recognizing first sound, phoneme segmentation (cat = c-a-t), and reading nonsense words. During the winter and spring your child will participate in a benchmark assessment. This assessment will determine your child's independent reading level. Teachers will look at your child's use of reading strategies and comprehension skills.

Below you will find samples of what the different reading levels look like from the benchmark assessment. At the entrance of 1st grade, the expected independent reading level is a Level 3.

The following are short samples of leveled reading text.

Level A "Yes! Yes! Yes!"

Level 1 The car can go.

Level 2 I can see a green frog.

Level 3 "Yes," said the girl. "I like ice cream, too!"

Level 4 Ben looked under his bed. "It is not here," he said.

Level 6 A mother duck and her babies went across the street.

Level 8 A boy and a girl looked in their backpacks. They found no books.

Level 10 Mandy's brother took the shoe box home. He put a caterpillar in it.
The caterpillar liked his new home.

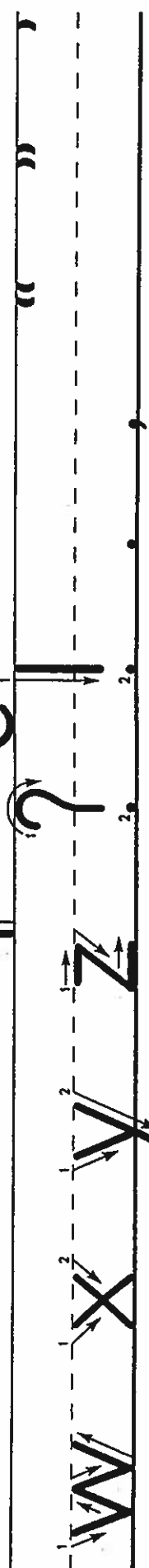
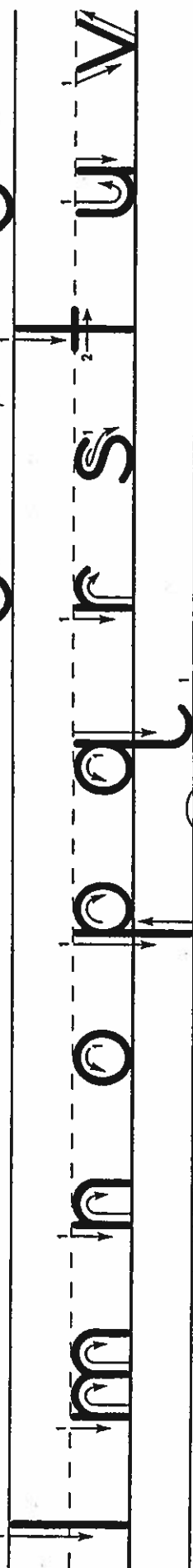
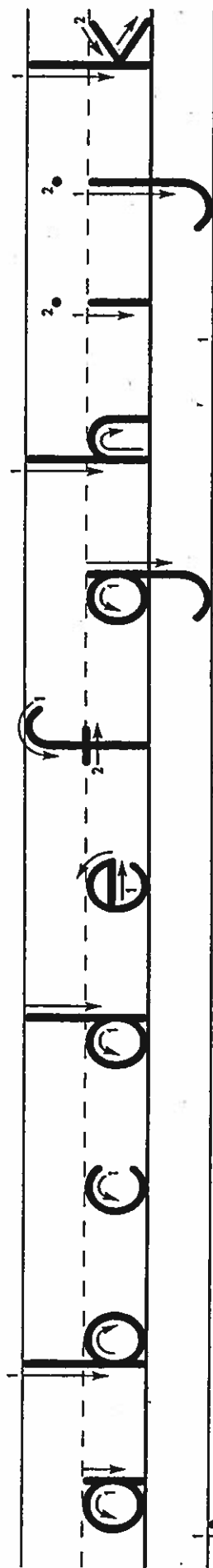
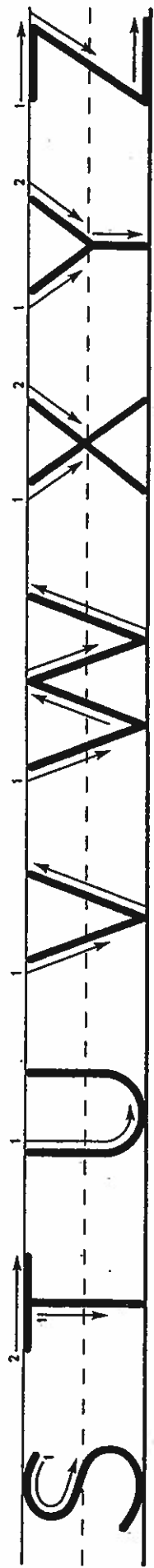
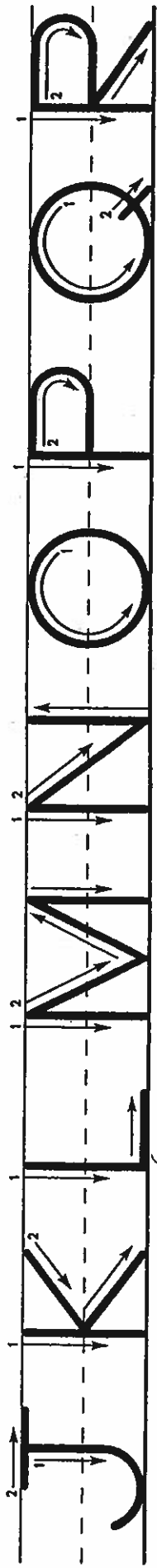
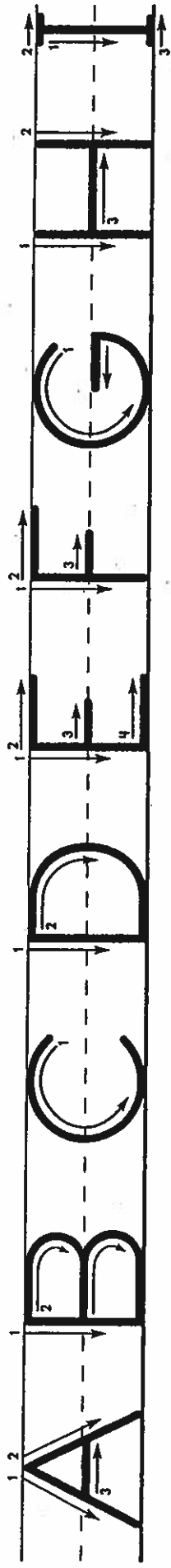
Level 12 One day Allie took her dad to visit Mrs. May. Allie wanted him to see Mrs. May's cat. "Hello," said Mrs. May. "Come in and see what I have."

Level 14 Kate's father took her to her new classroom. The teacher smiled at her and said, "Sit here by me." The teacher read a story to the class.

Level 16 Baby robins crack their shells open with their beaks. They work hard to get out of their shells.

The Kindergarten Team

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Bethke Elementary Kindergarten Core Knowledge Map

	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
Literacy	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups	Treasures Guided Reading Groups
Sayings	Do Unto Others	A Place for Everything	Better Safe Than Sorry	Where There is a Will	Look Before You Leap	A Dog is a Man's Best Friend	Practice Makes Perfect	Raining Cats and Dogs Early Bird	April Showers Bring May Flowers	Great Oaks From Little Acorns
Poems	1,2 Buckle Little Boy Blue Black Sheep Twinkle Star Starlight	Pat-a-Cake Jack & Jill This Little Pig 3 Blind Mice	Little Miss Muffet 3 Kittens Jack Be Nimble Jack Sprat	Old Mother Hubbard Hot Cross Buns Georgie Porgie	Little Jack Horner Simple Simon See Saw Sing...Sixpence More It Snows	My Nose Rock-a-Bye Ride Cockhorses There Was An Old Woman Winter Bird	Roses Are Red Ring Around Humpty London Bridge There Was a Little Girl	Early to Bed Diller, Dollar Diddle, Diddle Hickory, Dickory, Little Bo Peep Mary Had a	Mary, Mary Rain, Rain It's Raining Time to Rise Rain	Ladybug, Ladybug Happy Thought Old King Cole Tommy
Stories	Little Red Riding Hood 3 Little Pigs	Goldilocks and the 3 Bears Little Red Hen	Johnny Appleseed Winnie the Pooh	Jumping Mouse The Wolf and the Kids	Velveteen Rabbit Bremen Town Musicians	Dog and His Shadow Tug of War Snow White	Ugly Duckling Cinderella Chicken Little	Hare and the Tortoise 3 Billy Goats Grasshopper and Ant	King Midas Casey Jones Momotaro Peach Boy	
Handwriting	Treasures Handwriting Book Name Practice	Treasures Handwriting Book Name Practice	Treasures Handwriting Book Name Practice	Treasures Handwriting Book Journals	Treasures Handwriting Book Journals	Treasures Handwriting Book Journals	Treasures Handwriting Book Journals	Treasures Handwriting Book Journals	Treasures Handwriting Book Book Making	Treasures Handwriting Book Book Making
World and American History		America US Overview Maps/Globes, Mt. Rushmore, Statue of Lib, White House, US Flag	Alaska Hawaii	Europe: Early Explorers Columbus Native Americans Pilgrims Thanksgiving, Rivers, Lakes, Oceans, and Mountains	North America: Democracy Presidents	Antarctica: North and South Poles	Australia	Africa: Jane Goodall	South America	Asia
Geography		US Mapping Skills			Mapping Skills	North and South Poles	Mapping Skills	Mapping Skills	Mapping Skills	Mapping Skills
Math (Spiral)	Counting 0-100 (ongoing) Identify/Write 0-100 (ongoing)	Shapes Geometric Solids Positional Words Number Sequence	Sets Sort/Classify Patterns	Graphing	More/Less	Measurement	Calculations Addition	Subtraction	Time Fractions	Money
Science	Seasons and Weather	Seasons and Weather Trees	Five Senses		Taking Care of Our Bodies	Weather and Seasons (snow cont Paper	Magnetism	Taking Care of the Earth	Taking Care of the Earth	Animals
Biographies								Wright Brothers		G.W. Carver

