

Morning Star Preparatory Academy
 Parent Handbook
 Concepts a Student Going into 1st Grade Should Know

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Academics	Small Group Class	Regular 1st	Advanced 1st
<i>Phonics</i>			
Recognize Vowels	x	x	x
Identify Uppercase Letters A-Z	x	x	x
Identify lower case letters a-z	x	x	x
Identify letter sounds a-z	x	x	x
Identify letter sounds A-Z	x	x	x
Blend two letters together	x	x	x
Read blends fluently	x	x	x
Learn to sound out one vowel words	x	x	x
Read one vowel words fluently	x	x	x
<i>Can answer these questions</i>	x	x	x
How many vowels are in the word?	x	x	x
What phonetic marking (long or short sound) should be placed over the vowel in the word?	x	x	x
How should the word be pronounced? Ex: ?, !, .	x	x	x
Know and understand the ck and double consonant at the end of the word rule	x	x	x
Sight words the, I, and, a	x	x	x
Understand capital letters begin all proper names and sentences.	x	x	x
Understand a period is used at the end of a sentence which declares something	x	x	x
Learn to sound two vowel words	x	x	x
Can read sentences w/out sounding out			x
Sight words to, do, you, mother, and, of	x	x	x
Read words that begin with a vowel at, it, in, on etc.	x	x	x
Match pictures w/words	x	x	x
Reading sentences	x	x	x
K before I and e C before the other 3	x	x	x
Sometimes S makes z sound	x	x	x

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Read the title to each story and tell them that it is a title.	x	x	x	
s in Ann's mean that the cat belongs to Ann	x	x	x	
Fill in the missing vowel in a one vowel word	x	x	x	
Fill in the missing vowel in a two vowel word	x	x	x	
Using good expression	x	x	x	
Fill in the missing word in a sentence.	x	x	x	
Reading compound words		x	x	
Commas in sentences		x	x	
Ask comprehension questions		x	x	
When a word ends in ck or a double consonant, you say the sound only once.	x	x	x	
Sight words cannot be pronounced by phonetic analysis		x	x	
When there are two vowels in a word, the first vowel says its long sound and the second vowel is silent and can read	x	x	x	
When there is one vowel in a word, that vowel usually says its short sound and can read.	x	x	x	
Finishing sentences by putting words in correct order to make a complete sentence.	x	x	x	
Rhyming	x	x	x	
Add beginning letter in a word	x	x	x	
Special sounds ck		x	x	
e in me		x	x	
o in go		x	x	
y in fly		x	x	
ay in pray		x	x	
st in stop		x	x	
<i>pl in plane</i>		x	x	
fr in frog		x	x	
tr in train		x	x	
sh in ship		x	x	
<i>th in thick</i>		x	x	
th in this		x	x	
bl in block		x	x	

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cl in clock		x	x	
fl in flake		x	x	
gl in glue		x	x	
br in bride		x	x	
<i>dr in drum</i>		x	x	
pr in pray		x	x	
gr in grin		x	x	
sm in smoke		x	x	
sc in scat		x	x	
sk in skate		x	x	
sp in spade		x	x	
cr in crab		x	x	
tw in twins		x	x	
spl in splash		x	x	
spr in sprain		x	x	
scr in scream		x	x	
squ in squeak		x	x	
sn in snack		x	x	
sl in sleep		x	x	
str in stream		x	x	
sw in swim		x	x	
thr in three		x	x	
ar in stars		x	x	
ch in church		x	x	
or in morning		x	x	
ou in out		x	x	
ow in owl		x	x	
ow in bowl		x	x	
er in verse		x	x	
ur in nurse		x	x	
ir in bird		x	x	
oi in coin			x	

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oy in boy			x	
oo in book			x	
oo in tooth			x	
wor in worms			x	
igh in night			x	
all in ball			x	
alk in walk			x	
ing in pointing			x	
kn in knot			x	
gn in gnat			x	
ang in bang			x	
ing in king			x	
ong in long			x	
ung in strung			x	
ank in bank			x	
ink in wink			x	
onk in honk			x	
unk in trunk			x	
wa in wash			x	
a in adopt			x	
y in baby			x	
le in little			x	
ed in wanted			x	
ed in looked			x	
ed in played			x	
wh in whale			x	
wh in who			x	
tch in patch			x	
ear in ear			x	
ear in bear			x	
ear in earth			x	
old in gold			x	

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mb in lamb			x	
ew in flew			x	
ew in few			x	
y in rainy			x	
er in bigger			x	
est in biggest			x	
ly in slowly			x	
en in sharpen			x	
es in peaches			x	
ild in child			x	
ind in kind			x	
o in shovel			x	
a in banana			x	
c in city			x	
aw in saw			x	
au in faucet			x	
ea in leaf			x	
ea in thread			x	
ea in steak			x	
ie in brownie			x	
ey in key			x	
ey in obey			x	
ph in phone			x	
ch in chorus			x	
ought in thought			x	
aught in caught			x	
g in giant			x	
dge in fudge			x	
a in asleep				
al in asleep				
be in because				
en in enjoy				

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un in unbutton				
wr in wrinkle				
ould in could				
air in hair				
u in push				
ough in enough				
ou in country				
arr in carry				
ire in fire				
ful in beautiful				
are in care				
tain in mountain				
ure in pure				
ture in pasture				
war in warm				
tion in nation				
sion in missionary				
sion in television				
eigh in eight				
or in sailor				
ar in dollar				
y in crystal				
err in cherry				
Behavior				
<i>Social</i>				
Communicates with teacher	x	x	x	
Communicates with teacher assistants	x	x	x	
Communicates with peers	x	x	x	
<i>Emotional</i>				
Has a recommendation from their previous teacher from the prior year	x	x	x	

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Has an appropriate way of getting their feelings across	x	x	x	
Can be away from parents for 4hrs	x	x	x	
Uses a different responses other than, or in addition to crying	x	x	x	
Cries over little disappointments as if they were huge problems	x	x	x	
Character				
First time obedience	x	x	x	
Shows Respect to teachers and students	x	x	x	
Shows self-control of hands and feet	x	x	x	
Math				
Recognizing numbers up to 100	x	X		
Counting by ones to	X	X		
Counting by 10's to 100	X	X		
Counting by 5's to a100	X	X		
Counting by 2's to 100	X	X		
Recognize the value of a penny, nickel, dime, quarter, and dollar	X	X		
Telling time to the hour, half hour and quarter hour	X	X		
Adding numbers up to 10	X	X		
Subtracting 1 and all of a number	X	X		
Writing numbers up to 100	X	X		
Knowing the number that comes after another number up to 10	X	X		
Ordinal numbers up to 10th	X	X		
Recognizing and reading number words up to ten	X	X		
Fraction 1/2	X	X		
Knowing the number that comes before and between another number up to 100	X	X		
Adding unlike coins (penny and nickel)	X	X		
Smallest to largest number concepts	X	X		
Concept of an inch	X	X		