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There are many free resources available on the internet about transitioning to kindergarten. Some provide ideas for introducing children to new experiences at home and in the community. Others include information about research and best practice in early childhood education.

Below are some helpful resources on the Web for parents, educators and child care providers.

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### ***Get Ready to Read!***

**[www.getreadytoread.org](http://www.getreadytoread.org)**

*Get Ready to Read!* (GRTR!) is an early literacy program designed to help parents and early child care providers ensure that young children are equipped with the fundamental skills necessary for learning to read. The website is full of free resources, including early literacy activities, online games, checklists and a monthly newsletter.

### **National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD)**

**[www.LD.org](http://www.LD.org)**

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### **Countdown to Kindergarten Boston**

**[www.countdowntokindergarten.org/](http://www.countdowntokindergarten.org/)**

Countdown to Kindergarten Boston is a nonprofit collaborative that engages families, educators, and community members in a citywide effort to celebrate and support the transition into kindergarten, recognizing it as a significant educational and developmental milestone for children and their families.

### **The School Readiness Indicators Initiative**

**[www.gettingready.org/matriarch/](http://www.gettingready.org/matriarch/)**

The School Readiness Indicators Initiative works with 17 states to develop a comprehensive set of school readiness indicators to inform public policy for young children and their families.

### **Foundation for Early Learning— Getting School Ready! Campaign**

**[www.earlylearning.org/gsr/](http://www.earlylearning.org/gsr/)**

**[gettingschoolready.html](http://gettingschoolready.html)**

This website offers information for parents and teachers that focus on trying to close the “preparation gap” that many children face as they get ready for school.

### **First Book**

**[www.firstbook.org](http://www.firstbook.org)**

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