



## Unit 4: Ready For Kindergarten

### Week 6: A to Z, Read With Me!

**LENGTH OF AT-HOME ACTIVITY:** 10 to 15 minutes

**YOU'LL NEED:** The book *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready For Kindergarten* by Joseph Slate, and a pencil or crayon



#### ACTIVITY STEPS:

**START** by telling your preschooler that this is the last week that you will be reading *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten*. See if your preschooler can retell the story to you using a combination of reading familiar words and talking about the pictures.

**HUNT** for letters! Choose a few letters and walk around your house together on a 'letter hunt,' identifying objects that start with those letters.

**READ** *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready For Kindergarten* with your preschooler. Have fun! Let your preschooler's interests lead the way and guide the conversation. Pause and discuss anything your child is interested in to foster good conversational skills.

**FIND** familiar letters in the book. Point to them and have your child tell you what they are. Then, practice the letter sounds. What sounds do they make? Practice both vowels and consonants.

**SOUND OUT** words in the text. Remember that your preschooler is just learning to read. Reward him or her for effort, not for accuracy!

**FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY:** Search for letters in your everyday activities. Point out letters on signs, receipts, the names of cars. Show your preschooler that letters and words are everywhere!

**WRITING EXTENSION:** On the back of this page, help your preschooler write his or her own A to Z list. You can make a list from A to Z of your preschooler's favorite things, different foods, or book and television characters – whatever he or she chooses!