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Correlation

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**Waterford
Early Learning:
PreK**

**Foundations
Pre-K**

This document provides a detailed correlation of **Waterford Early Learning** to **Foundations Pre-K**.

Correlation Description

This document aligns Foundations Pre-K to Waterford.org's digital activities and supporting resources.

Waterford Digital Activities

Waterford programs include engaging, evidence-based digital activities anchored in the science of learning that progress through an adaptive learning path in reading, math, and science. These activities are also available for collaborative instruction at [→teacher.waterford.org](https://teacher.waterford.org).

- **Classroom Playlists** enable teachers to harness learning technologies in whole-class instruction, flexible small groups, and personalized support for individual students.

Waterford Resources

Waterford provides an engaging, diverse collection of PDF resources tailored to boost children's learning experiences, empowering instruction in both classroom and home settings.

- **Teacher Resources** encompass class activities, reference materials, teacher guides, an array of books, and more.
- **Family Resources** encompass newsletters, activity sets, and reference materials, all available in both English and Spanish.

Waterford Curriculum Details

Waterford programs leverage the science of learning and evidence-based research to optimize reading development, accelerate learning, and target interventions for PreK–2nd grade learners.

Adaptive, Individualized Learning

Tailored instruction enables students to progress through the sequence at their own pace, offering multiple opportunities for practice as needed and more challenging activities when students are ready. This adaptation is automatic within the learning sequence. More information on the adaptive learning sequence can be found in [→Waterford's Adaptive Learning Path in Action](#) video.

Data-Informed Instruction

Administrators and teachers can use the program's reporting features to monitor progress in real-time, identify areas of difficulty, and utilize additional intervention tools in varied instructional settings. Examples of the reporting features can be found [→here](#).

Research-Driven Development

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Reading Sequence

Waterford's Reading Sequence is aligned to the Science of Reading, with explicit and systematic instruction. The sequence develops phonics; phonological awareness; comprehension and vocabulary; language concepts and writing; and fluency. More detailed information can be found in the [→Reading Skills Scope & Sequence](#).

Math and Science Sequence

Waterford's Math and Science Sequence is designed around clear instructional principles. The math sequence develops numbers and operations (including counting and cardinality); operations and algebraic thinking; measurement and data; and geometry. The science sequence develops an understanding of physical, life, earth and space domains. More detailed information can be found in the [→Math and Science Scope & Sequence](#).

SmartStart Sequence

Waterford's SmartStart Sequence is designed so learners are exposed to the foundational principles critical to kindergarten readiness. SmartStart combines the digital learning path with teacher resources to teach early reading, math, science, and social studies concepts as well as executive function, creative arts, health, and physical development. More detailed information can be found in the [→SmartStart Scope & Sequence](#).

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Letter-Sound Knowledge		
Recognizing and naming all 26 letters of the alphabet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books: Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) • Rhyme Match • Rhyming Words • Choose a Rhyme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital Letter Introductions • Lowercase Letter Introductions • Unit 1, Pg. 12 Alphabet Instruction
Associating each letter with its corresponding sound	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Songs: Sound Song • Name That Letter Sound • Letter Sound • Sound Room • Letter Sound Screening 	
Alphabetic Principle		
Understanding the systematic relationship between letters and sounds		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 4, Pg. 72 Andy's Adventure: Short and Long Words and Letter Sound /ă/ • Unit 6, Pg. 11 Magnifying Glass: Onset-Rime and Letter Sound /m/ • Unit 7, Pg. 226 Letter Sound /s/
Understanding letters make words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters Make Words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 82 Letters Make Words
Practicing alphabetical order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Songs: ABC Song • Letter Match • Alphabetic Order 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 26 Singing the Alphabet
Letter Formation / Handwriting		
Developing fine motor skills through activities like sky writing, tracing, and copying letters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter Trace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 82 Letters Make Words • Introduction, Pg. 17 Writing Center • Unit 6, Pg. 90 Thank You Notes for the Storytellers • Journal Activities • Lowercase Letter Introductions

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Letter Formation / Handwriting <i>continued</i>		
Letter Formation for lowercase letters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter Trace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 82 Letters Make Words • Introduction, Pg. 17 Writing Center • Unit 6, Pg. 90 Thank You Notes for the Storytellers • Journal Activities • Lowercase Letter Introductions
Letter Formation for uppercase letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter Trace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 82 Letters Make Words • Introduction, Pg. 17 Writing Center • Unit 6, Pg. 90 Thank You Notes for the Storytellers • Journal Activities • Capital Letter Introductions
Beginning to write own name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name Game • Letter Trace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction, Pg. 17 Writing Center • Journal Activities • Unit 2, Pg. 181 Introducing Journals • Capital Letter Introductions • Unit 4, Pg. 43 Capital Letter Scrapbook
Print Concepts		
Knowing sentences are formed and read left to right	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Songs: • Books: Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) • Print Concepts • Letters Make Words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 5, Pg. 141 Language: Sentence Board Game
Understanding there are spaces between words in a sentence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Songs: What Is a Sentence? • Books: Read-along Books; Readable Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) • Segment Spoken Sentences • Sentences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 5, Pg. 141 Language: Sentence Board Game

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Phonological Awareness		
Identifying phonemes in words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Right Initial Sound • Match Initial Sounds • Initial Sound • Final Sound • Right Final Sound • Phoneme Segmentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 7, Pg. 226 Letter Sound /s/ • Unit 7, Pg. 138 Under: Initial and Final Sounds, and Letter Sound /ŭ/ • Unit 6, Pg. 56 Listening Activity: Initial Sounds • Unit 6, Pg. 116 Together: Final Sounds and Letter Sound /t/ • Unit 6, Pg. 120 Listening Activity: Final Sounds /r/ and /g/
Manipulating phonemes in words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phoneme Eliminator • Phoneme Substitution • Blend Phonemes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 7, Pg. 176 Listening Activity: Medial sounds /a/ and /i/
Adding or deleting sound units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phoneme Eliminator • Phoneme Substitution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 51 Fancy Rhyming • Unit 4, Pg. 72 Andy's Adventure: Short and Long Words and letter Sound /a/
Breaking words into syllables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syllable • Syllable Deletion With Compound Words • Syllable Safari • Blend Spoken Syllables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 4, Pg. 116 I Go: Syllable Awareness and Letter Sound /d/ • Unit 4, Pg. 104 At Camp: Syllable Awareness and Letter Sound /ck/ • Unit 5, Pg. 202 Circus Syllables • Unit 5, Pg. 172 Go, Grasshopper: Syllable Blend and Letter sound /g/
Recognizing rhyming words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books: Read With Me Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) • Rhyme • Rhyming Words • Rhyme Match • One Doesn't Rhyme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1, Pg. 51 Fancy Rhyming • Unit 1, Pg. 142 Rhyme Awareness: Humpty Dumpty and the Rhyme Cheer • Unit 2, Pg. 164 The Hungry Thing Rhyme Play • Unit 2, Pg. 199 Rhyme Race

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Memory and Listening Skills		
Following multi-step directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Books: Read With Me Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2, Pg. 246 I Touch My Nose Like This: Follow Me
Recalling and retelling spoken information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Books: Read With Me Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) Sum Up: Remember Order Sum Up: Five Ws 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1, Pg. 7 Schedule Unit 1, Pg. 8 Morning Message
Listening comprehension and storytelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Books: Read With Me Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) Sum Up: Remember Order Sum Up: Five Ws Making Connections Build Knowledge Peek at the Story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Story Time Activities Introduction, Pg. 14 Reading With Preschool Children Introduction, Pg. 13 Reading Center Unit 1, Pg. 31 Bunny Cakes Unit 1, Pg. 32 Train My Brain: Determination Unit 1, Pg. 83 Pat-a-Cake: Dough Time Unit 2, Pg. 254 Polly Put the Kettle On Unit 3, Pg. 312 Itsy Bitsy Spider: First, Next, and Last Unit 5, Pg. 230 Dramatic Play: Library Unit 6, Pg. 85 Storytelling With Instruments Unit 6, Pg. 89 Storytelling Festival

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Memory and Listening Skills <i>continued</i>		
Recall the events in a story	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books: Read With Me Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) • Sum Up: Remember Order • Sum Up: Five Ws • Making Connections • Build Knowledge • Peek at the Story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Story Time Activities • Introduction, Pg. 14 Reading With Preschool Children • Introduction, Pg. 13 Reading Center • Unit 1, Pg. 31 Bunny Cakes • Unit 1, Pg. 32 Train My Brain: Determination • Unit 1, Pg. 83 Pat-a-Cake: Dough Time • Unit 5, Pg. 230 Dramatic Play: Library • Unit 6, Pg. 85 Storytelling With Instruments • Unit 6, Pg. 89 Storytelling Festival • Unit 3, Pg. 312 Itsy Bitsy Spider: First, Next, and Last • Unit 2, Pg. 254 Polly Put the Kettle On
Recall the characters in a story	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books: Read With Me Books; Early Readable Books (See titles at end of document.) • Compare Characters • Describe Characters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Story Time Activities • Unit 1, Pg. 51 Story Time Activity • Unit 1, Pg. 68 Dramatic Play: Garage

Pre-Reading

Sing a Rhyme Songs & Books

The Apple Tree / Baa, Baa, Black Sheep / Pat-a-cake / Hey Diddle, Diddle / One Elephant Went Out to Play / The Farmer in the Dell / Ten Little Goldfish / All the Pretty Little Horses / Mother, Mother, I Am Ill / Jack and Jill / Three Little Kittens / Mary Had a Little Lamb / Little Miss Muffet / I Touch My Nose Like This / Polly, Put the Kettle On / This Little Pig / Quack, Quack, Quack / Rock-a-Bye Baby / Itsy Bitsy Spider / The Bus / My Valentine / Where Is Thumbkin? / 1, 2, Buckle My Shoe / Yankee Doodle / Zig Zag

Informational Books

Opposites / Pairs / Watch the Woolly Worm

Read With Me Books

Andy's Adventure / Baby's Birthday / At Camp / My Dinosaur / Eleven Elephants / Five / Go, Grasshopper / Hair / Who Has an Itch? / Jumbled / Here, Kitty, Kitty / Long Lewie / Magnifying Glass / New / Opposites / Pairs / The Quiet Book / Rascal's Rotten Day / Six Silly Sailors / Together / Under / Family Vacation / Watch the Woolly Worm / Rex Is in a Fix / Yummy / The Zebra

Early Readable Books

At Bat / The Map / Rad Dad / My Tam-Tam / Go, Cam! / Pop / The Hot Pot / A Kit for the Pit / Big Dog Dot / A Big Win / I See You

Basic Reading

Traditional Tales

The Gingerbread Man / The Little Red Hen / Lizard and the Painted Rock / Anansi and the Seven Yam Hills / The Big Mitten / The Three Little Pigs / The City Mouse and the Country Mouse / Goldilocks and the Three Bears / The Magic Porridge Pot / The Three Wishes / Henny Penny / Mr. Lucky Straw / La Tortuga / The Shoemaker and the Elves / The Brothers / The Ugly Duckling

Informational Books

I Want to Be a Scientist Like Jane Goodall / I Wish I Had Ears Like a Bat / I Want to Be a Scientist Like Wilbur and Orville Wright / I Want to Be a Scientist Like George Washington Carver / Star Pictures / Animal Bodies / Water Is All Around

Readable Books

Me / The Snowman / The Mitten / I Am Sam / What Am I? / Sad Sam / Dad's Surprise / Tad / Matt's Hat / What Is It? / Dan and Mac / What a Band! / Pat Can Camp / The Rabbit and the Turtle / Stop the Frogs! / Bob and Tab / Hot Rods / Happy Birthday / Go, Frog, Go! / Pip, the Big Pig / What Is in the Pit? / Prints! / Who Is at the Door? / The Big Trip / Who Will Go in the Rain? / Let's Get Hats! / Slug Bug / Green Gum / Lizzy the Bee / Little Duck / Thump, Bump! / The Tree Hut / The Big Hill / What's in the Egg? / Dev and His New Pet / Chet and Chuck / What Do I Spy? / Quick! Help! / Can We Still Be Friends? / Fun in Kansas / Brave Dave and Jane / My Snowman / Space Chase Race / Oh No, Mose! / Smoke! / The Note / The Snoring Boar / Shopping Day / Friends / Two Little Pines / Can Matilda Get the Cheese? / Let's Go to Yellowstone / Maddy and Clive / Brute and the Flute / Old Rosa / What Is in the Tree? /

Too Much Popcorn / Old King Dune / Riding in My Jeep / Sammy and Pete / Will You Play with Me? / The Rescue / Who Am I? / Matt's Hat / What Is It? / Dan and Mac / What a Band! / Pat Can Camp / The Rabbit and the Turtle / Stop the Frogs! / What Is in the Pit? / Prints! / Who Is at the Door? / What Am I? / Sad Sam / The Big Trip / Dad's Surprise / Tad / Who Will Go in the Rain? / Let's Get Hats! / Slug Bug / Green Gum / Lizzy the Bee / Little Duck / Thump, Bump! / The Tree Hut / The Big Hill / What's in the Egg? / Dev and His New Pet / Old Rosa / What Is in the Tree? / Too Much Popcorn / Old King Dune / Riding in My Jeep / Sammy and Pete / Will You Play with Me? / The Rescue / Chet and Chuck / What Do I Spy? / Quick! Help! / Can We Still Be Friends? / Fun in Kansas / Brave Dave and Jane / My Snowman / Space Chase Race / Oh no, Mose! / Smoke! / The Note / The Snoring Boar / Shopping Day / Friends / Two Little Pines / Can Matilda Get the Cheese? / Let's Go to Yellowstone / Maddy and Clive / Brute and The Flute / Who Am I? / Bob and Tab / Hot Rods / Happy Birthday / Go, Frog, Go! / Pip, the Big Pig / I Am Sam

Fluent Reading

Read-Along Books

Bad News Shoes / Up and Down / The Mighty Sparrow / The Four Seasons / I Met a Monster / David Next Door / Bandage Bandit / Rocks in My Socks / Great White Bird / The Snow Lion / Turtle's Pond / The Story Cloth / Lorenzo's Llama / Snake Weaves a Rug / The Crowded House / Sound / Noise? What Noise? / The Story of Tong and Mai Nhia / Duc Tho Le's Birthday Present / Poetry Book 1 / Wendel Wandered / What If You Were an Octopus? / Today I Write a Letter / I Hate Peas / The Talking Lizard / Darren's Work / The Bee's Secret / The Weather on Blackberry Lane / Little Tree / Treasures from the Loom / Poetry Book 2 / Mr. Croaky Toad / White-tailed Deer / The Courage to Learn / How Rivers Began / Pencil Magic / Water / The Sweater / Drawing / All on the Same Earth / Elephant Upstairs / The Pizza Book / What Will Sara Be? / Winter Snoozers / Why Wind and Water Fight / The Three Billy Goats Gruff / The Piñata Book / Discovering Dinosaurs / Macaw's Chorus / Amazing Tails / My Reptile Hospital / Movin' to the Music Time

Informational Books

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Readable Books (Record, Read, Listen)

The Show / Dinosaur Bones / Mike and the Mice / Huge Red Plum / The Bees / My Shark / Barnaby / Animals in the House / Do You Know? / Cow on the Hill / Clouds / The Noise in the Night / Strawberry Jam / Jade's Note / Bertie / Cory's Horn / The Lion and the Mouse / Lightning Bugs / Louis Braille / Troll's Visit / Andrew's News / Sue's Slime / The Name of the Tree / The Giant and the Hare / Frank's Pranks / Through the Back Fence / Fudge for Sale / Photos for Phil / Moose Are Not Meese / Little Barry Busy

Readable Story Sentences

Stop the Frogs! / Matt's Hat / What Is It? / Dan and Mac / What a Band! / What Is in the Pit? / Prints! / Who Is at the Door? / Sad Sam / The Big Trip / Dad's Surprise / Tad / Slug Bug / Green Gum / Lizzy the Bee / Little Duck / Thump, Bump! / The Big Hill / What's in the Egg? / Old Rosa / What is in the Tree? / Sammy and Pete / The Rescue / Chet and Chuck / Fun in Kansas / My Snowman / Oh No, Mose! / Smoke! / The Note / The Snoring Boar / Friends / Brute and the Flute / Bob and Tab / Hot Rods / Happy Birthday / The Mitten / Pat Can Camp / The Rabbit and the Turtle / What Am I? / Who Will Go in the Rain? / Let's Get Hats! / The Tree Hut / Rom and His New Pet / Too Much Popcorn / Old King Dune / Riding in My Jeep / Will You Play With Me? / What Do I Spy? / Quick! Help! / Can We Still Be Friends? / Brave Dave and Jane / Space Chase Race / Shopping Day / Two Little Pines / Can Matilda Get the Cheese? / Let's Go to Yellowstone / Maddy and Clive / Go, Frog, Go! / Pip, the Big Pig / I Am Sam / Who Am I?



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Odd Todd and Even Steven / Salsa Counting / On the Bayou—Addition / Subtract Those Cars / More Than, Fewer Than / A Nice Addition / Marching Band Counting / Doubles 1–5 / Multiply by 0

Nursery Songs and Rhymes

Rhyming Words / A: The Apple Tree / B: Bluebird, Bluebird / C: Pat-a-Cake / D: Hey Diddle, Diddle / E: One Elephant Went Out to Play / F: The Farmer in the Dell / G: Ten Little Goldfish / H: All the Pretty Little Horses / I: Mother, Mother, I Am Ill / J: Jack and Jill / K: Three Little Kittens / L: Mary Had a Little Lamb / M: Little Miss Muffett / N: I Touch My Nose Like This (Spanish) / O: Polly, Put the Kettle On / P: This Little Pig / Q: Quack, Quack, Quack / R: Little Rabbit / S: Eensy, Weensy Spider / U: The Bus / V: My Valentine / W: Wee Willie Winkie / X: A-hunting We Will Go / Y: Yankee Doodle

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Comma, Comma, Comma / Homophone Monkey / Antonym Ant / Apples and Bananas / Old MacDonald Has Some Vowels / ABC Show and Tell Sounds / ABC Tongue Twisters / ABC Picture Sounds / Sheep in the Shadows / C-K Rap / S Steals the Z / Blends / Blicky Licky Land / Apostrophe Pig / Capital Letters—Days / Charley Chick / Adjectives Describe / Lazy Letter Q / Nouns / Verbs / Adverbs / Irregular Verbs

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Weekly Homelink Newsletters

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Match, Position, Shapes, Counting, Patterns Sort, Size, Number Sense (1–10), Order (1–10), Count On, Measurement (length), Count Down, Addition (10), Numbers 11–15, Numbers 16–20

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