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It's Time For Preschool!

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This book has everything you need to know to start your child in preschool. There are so many new things to get used to. Play time, circle time, and even nap time. Each page introduces a different “time.” The children start out coming in the door for preschool time then they progress onto playtime. Circle time is when they get to show-and-tell or read a book. There are a few other important things to know as well such as sharing and manners. Fire drills are noisy and thinking about home time is worrying, but playing with friends is fun. Sometimes there are field trips and sometimes there are crafts, but there is always clean-up time and going home time. The illustrations are colorful and descriptive showing many of the fun things that happen while at school. The back of the book also contains tips on how to prepare your child for entering this new phase of their life.

This book was intended to be read to children ages 2-5 as an introductory book into preschool. That being said, the rest of my review is based on that presumption. This book was too long and wordy for the short attention span of a toddler. Sections in the book are in special columns, presumably because they are sensitive topics and should not be read to toddlers unless they are struggling with specific issues, i.e. forgetting to pick up a child and wondering what parents are doing when they are not with them, but it has no recommendations to not read those sections unless needed. It is a book that is extremely directed at commercial or 8 hour workday type preschools and does not apply much to “mommy preschools” or other types of pre-kindergarten education, as it includes nap-time and fire drills. The pages are in meter but the meter changes drastically from page to page and is hard to follow. The limited appeal to the average family and the fact that the book is not written for the proper age group and attention span are why I cannot recommend this book.