



FIVE-YEAR-OLD AT A GLANCE

THINKS
LIKE AN
ARTIST



ENGAGE
THEIR
SENSES

WANTS TO
KNOW
**DO I HAVE YOUR
ATTENTION?**



IMPROVE
THEIR
ABILITIES

IS
MOTIVATED BY
SAFETY



RESPOND
CONSISTENTLY

Tells a short story

Enjoys both physical humor and simple jokes

May show some (not much) gender preference for playmates

Can focus on one activity for 5-15 minutes

Wants to please and help adults

Tends to be optimistic in spite of failure

Grows two to three inches and gains an average of five pounds

Can be fanatical about the truth

Recognizes and names, numbers, shapes, and colors

Has a hard time asking for help

Able to ride a bicycle, roller skate, and jump rope

Benefits from relaxation techniques (take a deep breath)

Draws a person with a body

Known the difference between need vs. want and real vs. pretend

Needs guidance taking turns and losing well

Expresses feelings better through play and art (rather than words)

Doesn't logically interpret cause and effect

Needs 10-12 hours of sleep each night

Loses incisor teeth (6-8 years)

FIVE
TO...

SIX

EMBRACE THEIR PHYSICAL NEEDS