



August 5

Hi again! Can you believe it is already August? The summer is going by so fast! What have you been doing? I have spent a lot of time with my children, done some scrapbooking, and read some books about teaching. I have also been teaching teachers at the college.

Have you been practicing your independent reading and writing? Your first-grade teacher will think it is really neat that you already know how to read and write. In this letter, I have included a list of phrases for you to work on to help with fluency. You can also practice writing them. Be sure to take your time and use your best handwriting. You may also want to cut them up and see if you can read them out of order.

I am getting ready to go back to the classroom to prepare for my new kindergarten students. I am excited to meet them, and I am happy I will still get to see you each day at school. You will love first grade. You get to learn more reading and writing strategies, go to lunch sooner, and help the kindergarten students when they need it. They will be learning a lot from you—like how to walk in line, be quiet in the halls, line up at recess, and more. You will do a great job of teaching them!

Enjoy your last few weeks of summer. Play outside, go swimming, visit friends and family, and don't forget to read! I will see you in a few weeks at open house and then again on the first day of school.

Love,

Mrs. Behne

