

# DISTANCE LEARNING in KINDERGARTEN: Successful, Practical Strategies



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

**Carolyn McMahon**

Outstanding Kindergarten Teacher and National Presenter

**Specifically Designed for Kindergarten Teachers, Paraprofessionals,  
Literacy and Math Teachers, and Administrators**

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*"I love Carolyn's  
energy!"*

– KATIE MOSHER,  
KINDERGARTEN TEACHER

# Ten Key Benefits of Attending

*"So many great  
take aways!  
Carolyn is  
fabulous!"*

– MARIA SUGRUE,  
KINDERGARTEN TEACHER



## Who Should Attend

Kindergarten Teachers,  
Paraprofessionals, Literacy  
and Math Teachers,  
and Administrators

### 1. **Jumpstart Your Online Time with Your Kindergarten Students**

Launch each of your online lessons with teacher-tested quick-starts based on poems, songs, and rhymes that captivate and engage your young distance learners

### 2. **Unleash the Power of Questioning Designed for the Distance Learning Environment with Kindergartners**

Strengthen your virtual connection with your Kindergarten students using more meaningful questioning techniques ... Increase the success of remote observations, assessment and evaluation of academic progress across the content areas of math, language, reading, and writing

### 3. **Virtual Play-Based Learning ... Is It Possible? YES!**

Learn how to initiate and manage play-based learning with your groups of students in the distance learning setting and keep the joy of learning alive with your kindergartners

### 4. **Simple Ways to Provide a Higher Quality Virtual Experience in Early Literacy**

Explore literature activities that teach important skills for comprehension, retelling, phonics, and phonemic awareness that can easily be adapted to distance learning ... Learn award-winning favorite and classic literature titles to share with your students and their families

### 5. **Meet the Needs of Your Diverse Distance Kindergarten Learners**

Invite your kindergartners' unique environment and perspective into the virtual classroom with specific writing prompts and innovative activities that meet your Kindergartners where they are and help them build stronger connections with each other

### 6. **Strengthen At-Home Learning and Engagement in Math**

Learn fun and engaging hands-on math activities and modeled lessons that lead to more independent practice of important early math concepts and skills

### 7. **Incorporate Powerful Brain Breaks for Kindergartners During Your Distance Learning Experience**

Explore the benefits to your Kindergarten students and participating family members ... Learn ready-to-use brain breaks that everyone will appreciate

### 8. **Encourage a New Level of Self-Regulation and Independence for Your Kindergartners**

Utilize the most effective practices to help your kindergartners move from modeled on-screen lessons to more independent practice in their distance learning setting

### 9. **Increase Authentic Parent Communication and Family Connections**

Expand your repertoire of powerful daily activities, tasks and routines that unite the home-school connection and reinforce critical early learning skills at home

### 10. **Receive a Digital Resource Handbook**

Practical, **ready-to-use** materials and resources will be at your fingertips or keyboard with your very own comprehensive digital handbook filled with ideas you can use when teaching Kindergarten online

# Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

## What You Will Learn ...

- Materials for Distance Learning ... **what we NEED to make distance learning successful** for kindergarteners
- **Quality literature titles to share with your students** and families for language arts, reading, writing, and math lessons online
- **Techniques** to move your kindergarteners from passive on-screen learners to **greater independence**
- Learn **the value of open-ended questions** to gain insight into your kindergarteners' remote learning experience
- **Play-based learning from a distance** ... How does it look in math and language arts?
- Making every moment count ... **Experience a distance learning lesson** from start to finish
- **Activities, tasks and routines** that make the most of distance learning experience with kindergarteners
- Ready-to-use **brain breaks you can incorporate** into your online lessons
- Strategies to **effectively engage kindergarteners** at the beginning of a lesson
- Ideas to use digital learning as an opportunity to **create authentic parent communication** and family connections
- Receive a digital resource handbook filled with **ready-to-use materials and resources** for your online Kindergarten teaching experience

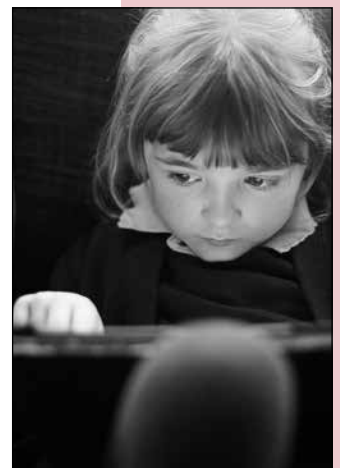


*"So many great ideas that we can implement NOW!  
Thank you for a fun-filled day of ideas and encouragement!"*

— LAURA COMBE, TEACHER

## Practical Ideas and Strategies

What do YOU need to make **Distance Learning** quality time with your **Kindergarten** students? During this NEW seminar by **Carolyn McMahan**, receive a list of award-winning favorite and classic literature titles to share with your students and their families. Learn the value of play-based learning and the importance of open-ended questions to gain insight into your students' learning, comprehension, and critical thinking skills as you "check for understanding." Make every moment count with hands-on materials that your kindergarteners will use **AFTER** the online lessons for extra practice and independent learning. We **CAN** help our students stay on track academically and socially in the distance learning environment. This **NEW** seminar emphasizes **PRACTICAL** strategies to help your kindergarteners be successful with Distance Learning.



# A Message From Seminar Leader, Carolyn McMahon



## Uniquely Qualified Instructor

**Carolyn McMahon** is a high-energy teacher with years of experience in Kindergarten classrooms. She is a sought-after national presenter who is known for her interactive and highly practical seminars. She is the co-author of several books include the *Wee Can* series and materials used in classrooms through the United States. She is also the author of the extensive digital resource handbook, *DISTANCE LEARNING in KINDERGARTEN: Successful, Practical Strategies* that you will receive at her seminar. Carolyn's wealth of experience, passion for young learners and sense of humor are evident in her seminars.

Dear Colleague:

Welcome to our new "classroom!" Here's what I have recently learned: Our Kindergarten students haven't changed one single bit since I began teaching Kindergarten so many years ago! They are excited to learn. They are up to the challenge of **Distance Learning**. Thinking of where they are today, whether we are online, teaching them in their homes or transitioning from online learning to in-classroom instruction, their happiness, smiles, laughter and excitement for learning hasn't lessened. On that first day of school, let's welcome them with wonderful read aloud stories. Let's use those songs, poems, rhymes and games to make their first day of Kindergarten as important as the last day of school. Each minute we have with our students will encourage us to maximize the learning across content areas of language arts, reading, writing, and math, and include their social and emotional growth with peers in the distance learning environment. After this workshop you will have a wealth of strategies to make this magic happen for you and your students in the online setting.

My goal for this seminar is to give you many helpful strategies directly from what is working in my own "distance learning Kindergarten classroom," from helpful hints and shortcuts that will work in different settings: online, small group mini-lessons or hands-on, ready-to-use independent classroom activities. I'll model a variety of lessons so your confidence will soar as you embrace the uniqueness of online learning. And, let's not forget helping those valuable home helpers: parents, grandparents, caregivers, family members. How can we help, guide and communicate with them? I will provide you with lessons that your kindergarteners will use seamlessly for guided practice and independent learning. You will be on your way to a quality lesson each and every day.

Please join me for a fast-paced day filled with strategies and activities you can truly use in your Distance Learning classroom or transitioning to and from a traditional classroom. Come ready to sing, dance, play, move and share a day packed with laughter, smiles, and ready-to-use ideas!

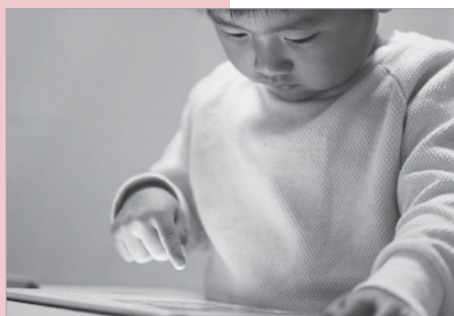
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carolyn McMahon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Carolyn McMahon

**P.S.** Join me as I share my **best strategies and tips** for teaching Kindergarten in the distance learning environment!

*"I will provide you with lessons that your kindergarteners will use seamlessly for guided practice and independent learning."*



# What Your Colleagues Say About Carolyn McMahon

**"Great information for distance learning!** Very practical tips and ideas using many objects students already have at home."

Julie Miller, Kindergarten Teacher

**"Carolyn is fabulous and provided many tools, strategies and ideas** on how to teach Kindergarten students virtually! So happy to find this seminar dedicated to Kindergarten!"

Susan Came, Kindergarten Teacher

**"I learned so much from Carolyn. I can use the material if we go online or in the classroom.** She is wonderful."

Rebecca Ashton, Kindergarten Teacher

**"I love Carolyn's upbeat attitude and the importance she put on moving and taking little breaks. I was able to think through how my remote teaching day could work,** or how I can use distance learning to enhance what might be missing from in-person instruction during this crazy mask wearing time (i.e. phonics instruction). Thank you."

Miranda Podolsky, Kindergarten Teacher



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content was  
great, but she  
made the day.'*

D'ANN JACABAN,  
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- "Hear it today, use it tomorrow" lessons for Kindergarten distance learners
- Tools for distance learning in Math, Language Arts, and Writing
- Ways to demonstrate a variety of listening, speaking, reading and writing processes that will enhance kindergarteners' distance learning
- Procedures to review, practice and remind: cues for making distance learning a quality experience for your kindergarteners

## Consultation Available

Carolyn McMahon will be available to answer your specific questions and the unique needs of your own Kindergarten program.

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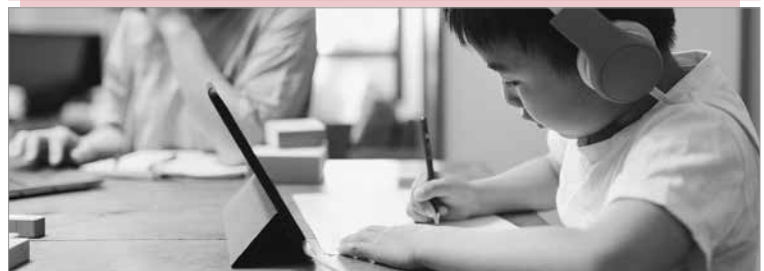
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