



## New - Picture Builder

What we are working on: We found that the Picture Builder activity that is included in Beginning Reading with Phonics was underutilized. Kids can earn a gold star by building three pictures. We are now working on creating a new Picture Builder course that will allow kids to build 46 different pictures.



**Pictures** - They say that "a picture is worth a thousand words" and you have probably heard that saying a million times. In the Picture Builder, we are making that connection with words, pictures and sentences by giving the student choices in building the picture they want. In the first activity, they pick between three words that is the subject of the picture. We also use pictures to help the student identify the word along with sound that speaks the name of the word.



**Description** - Next, the student picks a word that describes the subject.



**Final Picture with Sentence** - the words are combined to make the final picture and a sentence. Many of the pictures are funny, which the kids like. Ideally, the teacher or parent would ask the student to read the sentence. The student can also click on the speaker icon to hear the sentence repeated. We are making a connection between words, pictures and sentences that will build basic reading skills. And we make it fun!

Beginning Reading with Phonics is based on Kindergarten standards and since the Picture Builder is an expanded version of one of the activities found in Beginning Reading with Phonics, it will certainly be appropriate for Kindergarten. However, we are considering building a version that will be appropriate for Pre-K as well.

We have a working copy of the course available now, however we are still fine tuning it and plan to have a final release on July 1, at which time it will be added to all our subscriptions. If you would like to try it out before that time and you have an active subscription to Super Star Online, let me know and I will give you access.

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## Need a Quote?

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"Your Kids will Love Learning  
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The logo features a group of diverse cartoon children. On the left, a boy with glasses and a girl are reading books, with a stack of colorful books below them. On the right, a boy is roller skating, a girl is riding a bicycle, and another boy is on a skateboard. The background is white with a subtle shadow effect.

