Circle-Time Warm-Ups Pack (Pre-K & Kindergarten)

5-minute morning rug routines: sound play, calendar math, feelings check-in, and movement.

1. Sound & Rhyme Warm-Ups (2-3 minutes)

- Rhyme Basket: Hold up a classroom item (cup, pen, book). Students call out real or silly rhymes.
- Syllable Clap Greeting: Clap each student’s first name as you say good morning ("Ma-ya!", "Ben!").
- Beginning-Sound I Spy: "I spy something starting with /s/..." while scanning the rug.

2. Calendar, Counting & Weather (2-3 minutes)

- Weather Reporter: Pick one student helper to check the window and name today’s weather and season.
- Count the Rug: Count how many friends are wearing blue or stripes today using one-to-one pointing.
- AB / AAB Body Pattern: Lead "clap, tap, clap, tap..." and invite students to predict what comes next.

3. Social-Emotional & Listening Cues (2 minutes)

- Feelings Forecast: Students show thumbs-up (sunny), sideways (cloudy), or hug (rainy) to share how they feel.
- Two-Step Transition Mission: "Stand up quietly, push in your chair, and line up by the door."