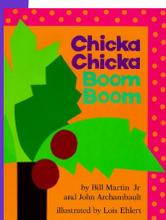


Alphabet Mystery

Audrey Wood

JP Wood

Follow the alphabet letters on their flying pencil as they enter a magical castle to look for the missing "X." Audrey and Bruce Wood, a talented mother and son team, have created a mystery story that is imaginative, absorbing, and visually vibrant.



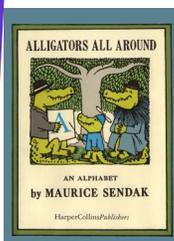
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

Bill Martin Jr. and John

Archambault

JP Marti

Preschoolers will not want to miss this wonderfully wacky picture book. Lively, rambunctious letters are strikingly illustrated by Lois Ehlert. Rhythmic text and bright, vibrant illustrations combine to form an enduring classic.



Alligators All Around: An Alphabet

Maurice Sendak

JP Senda

Young children will love reading about alligators throwing tantrums, getting giggles, and doing dishes in this zany, fun-filled book. The illustrations by award-winning Maurice Sendak are lively and amusing.

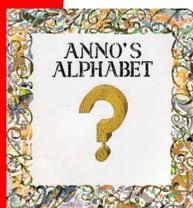


Gone Wild: An Endangered Animal Alphabet

David McLimas

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Older children will love this Caldecott Honor book. Each letter evokes the shape of an endangered animal. McLimas also includes brief notes on each creature's habitat, range, threats, and official status.

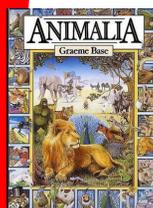


Anno's Alphabet: An Adventure in Imagination

Mitsumasa Anno

JP Anno

This Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor book is perfect for children of all ages. While preschoolers can focus on the central object in each illustration, older children can search for hidden objects in the page borders.



Animalia

Graeme Base

JP Base

Who can resist such playful language as, "An armoured armadillo avoiding an angry alligator?" The richly detailed illustrations evoke a world of wonder and enchantment. Young children will love searching for and identifying the myriad of objects that begin with each letter.

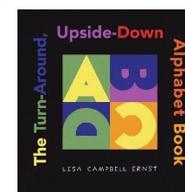


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Alphabet Books

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Alphabet books appear in all shapes and sizes, appealing to toddlers as well as school-aged children. They can be fun, intriguing, playful, and wacky. From the classic *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* to the mysterious *The Dangerous Alphabet*, there is an alphabet book just right for you.

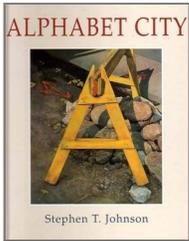


The Turn-Around, Upside-Down Alphabet Book

Lisa Campbell Ernst

JP Ernst

When viewed from different angles, each letter in this vividly illustrated picture book evokes a variety of images. The letter "J" turns into an elephant's trunk, a candy cane, and a monkey's tale. This colourful, playful book encourages children to use their imaginations and view the world from a variety of angles.

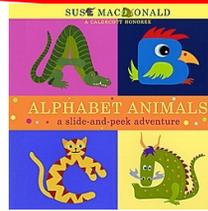


Alphabet City

Stephen T. Johnson

JP John

This Caldecott Honor and New York Times Best Illustrated Book of the Year encourages children to look at the familiar world in a new way. Children will have great fun looking for alphabet letters in the stunningly illustrated urban landscapes.



Alphabet Animals: A Slide-and-Peek Adventure

Suse MacDonald

JP MacDo

Brilliantly coloured illustrations of twenty-six animals by Newbery Honor award-winner Suse MacDonald include accompanying pull-out pages with the letter and the name of each animal. Young children will delight in guessing names and letters.

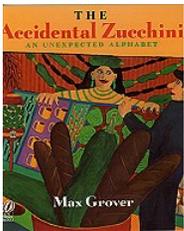


The Hidden Alphabet

Laura Vaccaro Seeger

JP Seeger

This wonderfully interactive and imaginative lift-the-flap book will delight preschoolers and their older siblings. Lift the flap of a picture and discover a surprise; the object is part of the large letter associated with the illustration.



The Accidental Zucchini: An Unexpected Alphabet

Max Grover

JP Grov

Apple autos, elephant elevators, macaroni merry-go-rounds, and other unexpected combinations make this a fun book for young children to read. The vibrant child-like illustrations and the unusual alliterative captions are sure to delight readers.

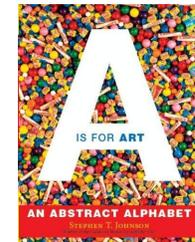


All Aboard! A Traveling Alphabet

Bill Mayer

JP May

These stunning illustrations evoke all types of travel and transportation. Readers will cross the B-shaped arches of a bridge and travel in a Y-shaped yacht. Young and old will have lots of fun looking for the letter in each illustration.



A Is for Art: An Abstract Alphabet

Stephen T. Johnson

JP Johns

A strikingly illustrated and ingeniously captioned alphabet book by an award-winning illustrator. Children can hunt for the hidden letters in the illustrations, revel in the playful use of language, and discover the riches of abstract art.

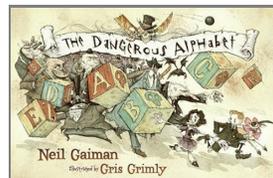


The Z Was Zapped: A Play in Twenty-Six Acts

Chris Van Allsburg

JP VanAl

In this renowned classic, alphabet letters appear on stage in dramatic roles. Don't miss their zany adventures and dynamic mishaps in this delightful book by award-winning illustrator and professional sculptor, Chris Van Allsburg.

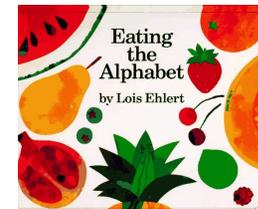


The Dangerous Alphabet

Neil Gaiman

JP Gaima

School-aged children familiar with Newbery award-winning Neil Gaiman will recognize his trademark Gothic atmosphere in this story about piracy, undergrounds, ghosts, and monsters. Gaiman's delightful rhyming couplets, clever word play, and suspenseful tale are accompanied by Chris Grimly's spine-chilling illustrations.



Eating the Alphabet: Fruits and Vegetables from A to Z

Lois Ehlert

JP Ehler

A great book for preschoolers with strikingly colourful illustrations by Newbery Honour award-winner, Lois Ehlert. Each letter of the alphabet is accompanied by illustrations of fruits and vegetables from around the world. The words are presented in both upper and lower case, a helpful feature for young children.