

The Alphabet Chant

The teacher points to the Alphabet Wall Card set in turn as the children say the chant. The children need to be familiar with both sounds and names for the letters so alternate the focus accordingly. Initially you will need to model the actions for the children to learn.

A	is for apple	Pretend to take a bite of an apple.
B	is for bat and ball	Pretend to hit a ball with a bat.
C	is for caterpillar climbing up the wall	Make a 'c' shape with finger and thumb, then crawl it up your arm.
D	is for dinosaur	Make dinosaur jaws with your arms.
E	is elephant	Clasp hands, bend over and wave your 'trunk'.
F	is for flower – what a pretty scent!	Pretend to smell a flower that you are holding.
G	is for girl	Girls point to themselves; boys point to a girl.
H	is for horse	Gallop on the spot.
I	is for insect crawling up my shorts!	Place one hand on your leg and mime an insect crawling.
J	is for jump	Raise your arms high up in the air and leap once.
K	is for kangaroo	Hop three times.
L	is for legs walking to the zoo	Shake your legs and point to them. Walk on the spot.
M	is for mountain	Make a mountain by placing your arms above your head.
N	is for net	Hold your arms to the side, making a circle shape.
O	is for octopus wiggly and wet	Wave your arms around.
P	is for parrot	Open and close one hand to make the mouth of a talking parrot.
Q	is for queen	Place an imaginary crown on your head.
R	is for rabbit hopping on the green	Hop with your hands on your head like long ears.
S	is for snake	Squirm your whole body like a snake.
T	is for tower	Stand very tall and stretch your arms out from your shoulders in the shape of a 't'.
U	is for umbrella – keeps you dry in a shower	Pretend to open an umbrella.
V	is for vulture	Make a 'v' shape with your arms and bring them down to imitate a vulture.
W	is for worm	Wiggle your finger like a worm.
X	is for exercise we all take a turn	Do star jumps and have the children follow you.
Y	is for yo-yo	Pretend to make a yo-yo go down and up.
Z	Zip starts with Z	Pretend to zip up your coat.
	Now I know my alphabet They're all in my head	Pat hands on your head and smile.