

## ALPHABET BOOKLIST

***Alphabet Gallery: An ABC of Contemporary Illustrators.* (1999). London: Mammoth.**

In this book, 26 different illustrators each depict one letter of the alphabet and describe that letter in various forms.

**Edwards, W. (2002). *Alphabeasts*. Toronto: Kids Can Press.**

In this rhyming alphabet book, each letter is represented by a beautifully illustrated and detailed animal drawing.

**Ehlert, L. (1996). *Eating the Alphabet*. San Diego, CA: Harcourt Brace & Company.**

This book offers an alphabet tour of the world of fruits and vegetables.

**Elting, M., & Folsom, M. (1980). *Q is for Duck: An Alphabet Guessing Game*. New York: Clarion Books.**

While learning some facts about animals, the reader is challenged to guess why *A* is for *zoo*, *B* is for *dog*, *C* is for *hen*, and so on.

**Gerstein, M. (2001). *The Absolutely Awful Alphabet*. San Diego, CA: Voyager Books.**

This alliterative alphabet book presents mean and monstrous letters, from *A* (an awfully arrogant amphibian) to *Z* (a zigzagging zoological zany).

**Grassby, D. (2000). *A Seaside Alphabet*. Toronto: Tundra Books.**

This book provides an alliterative tour of the seaside.

**Johnson, S.T. (1995). *Alphabet City*. New York: Viking Press.**

This wordless picture book includes paintings of urban settings presenting the letters of the alphabet.

**Lobel, A. (1990). *Alison's Zinnia*. New York: Greenwillow Books.**

The book provides an alliterative look at the world of flowers.

**Martin, B., & Archambault, J. (2000). *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*. New York: Simon and Schuster.**

The rhyming chant in this alphabet book relates what happens when the entire alphabet tries to climb a coconut tree.

**Shannon, G. (1996). *Tomorrow's Alphabet*. New York: Greenwillow Books.**

In *Tomorrow's Alphabet*, you have to think ahead. Each letter of the alphabet represents something that it will become. (e.g., *A* is for seed — tomorrow's apple).

**Slate, J. (1996). *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten*. New York: Puffin Books.**

This rhyming book uses alliteration and a different name for each letter of the alphabet.

**Ulmer, M. (2001). *M is for Maple: A Canadian Alphabet*. Chelsea, MI: Sleeping Bear Press.**

Each letter of the alphabet is represented by a name or word derived from some aspect of the country of Canada.

**Van Allsburg, C. (1987). *The Z Was Zapped*. Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin.**

This alphabet book depicts how *A* was in an avalanche, *B* was badly bitten, and the other letters suffered similar mishaps.