

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.