

# The Alphabet Chant

When doing the alphabet chant, we begin by learning the sounds in words first and the letter names second. Begin by doing this song using the sounds, and once they know all the sounds in the alphabet, they can move onto letter names.

**A** is for apple

Pretend to take a bite of an apple.

**B** is for ball

Pretend to hit a ball with a bat.

**C** is for caterpillar  
climbing up the wall

Move one finger in the shape of a "c", then Crawl up your arm.

**D** is for dinosaur

Place your arms in front of you, on top of each other. Open and close them like giant dinosaur jaws.

**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 two fingers on top of your head like antennae and wiggle them. Smack an invisible insect on your leg.

**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 with fingertips together.

**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

Hold arms up in a "v" shape and then bring them down to imitate a flying vulture.

**W** is for worm

Wiggle your finger like a worm.

**X** is for exercising fox  
now we take a turn

Do star jumps.

**Y** is for yo-yo

Pretend to make a yo-yo go down and up.

**Zip starts with Z**  
Now I know my alphabet  
They're all in my head!

Pretend to zip up your coat.

Pat hands on your head and smile.

