



Hi! My name is Lucila!

How long does it take you to get to school? As a little girl, I would have to walk one hour to get to my school! Now that I have my own children, I make sure to send them all to school. I began noticing that Arjay, my son, was slow at identifying his letters and I'm so thankful that Family Academy gave me different activities to help him.

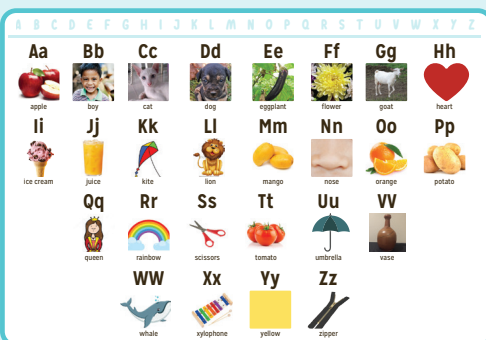
Use this activity to help you with your letters!

THE PHONETIC ALPHABET

SKILL: Identifying letter symbol as sound, learning the idea of beginning sound

HOW TO PLAY:

1. Using your ABC poster, point to the letter and say the sound of a letter. Then touch the picture and say the word for the picture.
2. You can do 3 or 4 letters, then guide their hand to point to the letters and repeat the letter and sound.
3. Ask your child to name the picture that does with the letter.



Parent: We say the letter “A” like “ay”.

What sound does it make?

Child: “Ay”!

Parent: Yes, “ay” or “ah”.

What is in this picture?

Child: Apple.

Parent: Very good! Apple starts with “a”.



You did an amazing job! And it seems like you had a lot of fun while learning.



NAME THE PICTURE

SKILL: Vocabulary, preparation for Phonetic alphabet

HOW TO PLAY:

1. Draw attention to the pictures on the ABC poster.
2. You will touch each picture as you name it.
3. Talk about what is in each picture so you say the word multiple times.



Parent: Every letter makes a sound. Let's learn about the sounds that letters make. This is "a". What is in the picture?

Child: Apple.

Parent: Yes! "Apple" starts with the letter "a". What do you know about apples?

Child: They're sweet! (continue this conversation a bit, then move on to the next letter.)



Don't worry if you couldn't name them all, practice makes perfect!

Arjay has changed his view of school and now he wants to be a teacher when he grows up. What does your child want to be?



PARENTING TIPS

- Develop simple, daily routines for wake-up time, brushing teeth, bathing, etc. This will help prepare them for school and give them a sense of safety.
- Use daily common objects to teach about letters and numbers. Count items in the house. Read books, signs, bottles, etc.