



## Alphabet Songs

### **What are "Alphabet Songs" and why are they important?**

"Alphabet Songs" will help your child learn letter/sound associations, a necessary step in learning to read.

### **How can I use "Alphabet Songs" with my child?**

There are published songs that you and your child can sing frequently throughout the day to help him learn letter/sound associations simultaneously. As an alternative, you may want to use a familiar tune and develop your own special alphabet song. It is important to link the letter and sound so your child learns them through frequent practice.

For example "a" says "a a applesauce," "b" says "b b book." The traditional alphabet song that merely runs through the letters of the alphabet is not useful in helping your child learn to read words. Your child must identify letters and associate them with sounds to be a successful reader.

**a** says a a a a apple  
**b** says b b b b berry  
**c** says c c c c cookies  
**d** says d d d d duck  
**e** says e e e e elephant  
**f** says f f f f funny  
**g** says g g g g garbage  
**h** says h h h h honey  
**i** says i i i i icky sticky bubble gum  
**j** says j j j j jam  
**k** says k k k k kiss  
**l** says l<sup>ll</sup> l<sup>ll</sup> l<sup>ll</sup> l<sup>ll</sup> lamb  
**m** says m<sup>m</sup> m<sup>m</sup> m<sup>m</sup> m<sup>m</sup> monkey  
**n** says n<sup>n</sup> n<sup>n</sup> n<sup>n</sup> n<sup>n</sup> nice  
**o** says o o o o octopus  
**p** says p p p p prize  
**q** says q<sup>wa</sup> q<sup>wa</sup> q<sup>wa</sup> q<sup>wa</sup> queen  
**r** says r<sup>rr</sup> r<sup>rr</sup> r<sup>rr</sup> r<sup>rr</sup> rabbit  
**s** says s<sup>ss</sup> s<sup>ss</sup> s<sup>ss</sup> s<sup>ss</sup> snake  
**t** says t t t t tummy  
**u** says u u u u ugly  
**v** says v v v v vase  
**w** says w w w w wish  
**x** says x  
**y** says yes  
**z** says z z z z zizz