Alphabet Books
Non-Traditional

Agee, Jon. Z Goes Home. The letter Z leaves his spot on the City Zoo sign and heads out for an imaginative adventure.

Base, Graeme. Animalia. Masterful artwork sweeps readers into a world of richly colored and intricately illustrated animals and objects.

Bingham, Kelly. Z Is for Moose. Overeager Moose humorously disrupts the alphabet book his friend Zebra is putting together until Zebra finally finds a special spot for him.

Boldt, Mike. 123 versus ABC. Numbers and letters both want to be the star of this funny book.

Bruel, Nick. Bad Kitty. When Kitty discovers that there is only healthy food in the house (from asparagus to zucchini), she decides to become very, very bad.

Capucilli, Alyssa. Mrs. McTats and Her Houseful of Cats. A woman with a single cat named Abner makes room for twenty-four more cats and a puppy she names Zoom.

Castella, Krystina. Discovering Nature’s Alphabet. Stunning photos reveal the letter shapes visible within nature.

Ernst, Lisa Campbell. The Turn-Around, Upside-Down Alphabet Book. As readers manipulate this book, each boldly illustrated letter becomes three different objects.


Kontis, Alethea. AlphaOops!: The Day Z Went First. Z is tired of always being last when the alphabet family lines up, but when the letters agree to go backwards, pandemonium ensues.

Lichtenhedl, Tom. E-mergency. When the letter E falls and injures herself, O stands in as substitute and misspelled mayhem follows.

Martin, Jr., Bill. Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. Rhyming text relates what happens when the whole alphabet tries to climb a coconut tree. Also available as Chicka Chicka ABC (J-Board)


Pallotta, Jerry. The Beetle Alphabet Book. Shimmering artwork and fascinating facts introduce various kinds of beetles.

Shannon, George. Tomorrow’s Alphabet. This brain-teasing book challenges kids to think about where things come from: “A is for seed…tomorrow’s APPLE.”

Shulman, Mark. AA Is for Aardvark. Whimsical text, animal characters, and cartoon artwork highlight words with repeated letters.

Sobel, June. Shiver Me Letters: A Pirate ABC. A band of animal buccaneers sets sail on a quest to capture the letters of the alphabet.

Wood, Audrey. Alphabet Adventure. In these brightly illustrated offerings, the letters of the alphabet engage in exciting escapades.

Books are shelved in J-Easy.