

ABC Book Ideas

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Getting Started

Here are some ideas to help you get started planning and creating your own ABC book. Not only will you have a great time creating it, the book you create will become a cherished keepsake for years to come. The planning part of your book is definitely the most difficult – some letters are simply easier to think of ideas for than others are. Be creative in your word choices, think about unique things about your subject, and use this document as a jumping-off point for generating ideas for your book.

Book Themes

- Favorite foods
- First year (or one year)
- A single day
- Animals
- Cooking (ingredients, recipes, etc)
- Christmas (or holidays)
- School
- Body parts
- Vacation
- Graduation
- Wedding or engagement
- New baby
- A hobby, such as reading, sewing, or scrapbooking
- Toddler teaching tool
- Gift for a faraway grandparent
- Gift to a faraway grandchild

Alphabet Ideas

A

Apple, apple juice, applesauce, ask, art, astronaut, airplane, autumn, ask, aunt, ant, alligator, artichoke, automobile, arrow, acrobat, asleep, appetite, artwork, anniversary, asparagus, anticipate, await, artistic, avocado, apron

B

Boots, bee, beetle, bring, busy, bark, basket, bath, book, birthday, bird, bubbles, brother, big, bicycle, build, bear, belong, birth, beautiful, best, berries, backyard, bell, bread, best friend, black, blue, breakfast, Bible, birthday cake, balloon, banana, brush (teeth or hair), bake, bacon, barbeque, beans, beach, butter

C

Car, catch, cat, cart, camping, Christmas, Christmas tree, candle, church, camera, crayons, candy confetti, cap (graduation), corn, canoe, cooler, circle, cake, coach, cowboy, coat, cow, cousins, cactus, carousel, clouds, clown, cross, crown, child, computer, cooking, castle, cup, cartoon, colors, cookies, candy, chipmunk, carnival, canary, clock, circus, clothes, chair, cute, costume, crawl, coca-cola, call, care, celery, chicken, congratulations, chocolate, cereal, cheerios, corn flakes, cold, cleaning, crunch (leaves or food), corn dog, cut (paper or hair)

D

Dog, dig, dragon, daddy, daredevil, down, diploma, doll, dot, dolphin, duck, dancing, daughter, diaper, daffodil, dinosaur, doctor, drum, dress-up, dragonfly, delightful, dream, donkey, dime, door, dessert, dirt, draw, dress, dollar, digger, dimples, diamond, day, decorate, dish

E

Elephant, egg, extra, ever, Easter bunny, extra special, eat, eagle, ear, easter, elephant, exercise, emergency, early, empty, encourage, easy, electric, eel, etc., extraordinary, energy, entertaining, exciting, echo, evening, eye, earth, eight, events, engine

F

Fish, family, frog, flip, fin, flowers, football, flag, filmstrip, footprint, flash, firetruck, fly, food, fiesta, family, father, fireworks, fourth, fork, french fries, fruit, friends, flamingo, feather, farm, face, feed, firefighter, fantastic, friendly, favorite, funny, fox, fun, fix, first, four, five, friend, French fries, fuzzy, fork, flour

G

Glasses, groovy, give, grapes, glow, graduate, gift, grandparents, gardening, grapes, golf, garland, green, girl, giraffe, groom, gingerbread man, gingerbread house, geese, ghost, globe, goofy, goldfish, giggle, garage, growing-up, great, go, grump, goose, gum, game, grasshopper, glad, garden, grade, grow, gifts, gloves, gerbil, goodnight, grill

H

Hat, hip, hill, happy, heart, holly, hammer, happy birthday, hats, horn, holidays, horse, halloween, hand, hen, house, hockey, helmet, hippopotamus, home, hobbies, husband, hummingbird, hee! hee!, healthy, hot dog, hum, humorous, ha! ha!, happiness, hello, heaven, hero, harmony, hot, hug, hair, helper, hide, hop, hot, hamburger, hamster, hummus, haircut, ham, hiss, heel, high-five

I

Ice cream, important, ice cream, instruments, igloo, ice skating, inside, inch worm, Indian, iris, iguana, invitation, interests, irresistible, innocent, independent, imaginative, interesting, inventive, impressive, inspiration, internet, island, ingredients

J

Joy, joke, jump, jeep, jack-o-lantern, jack-in-the-box, jingle bell, jelly bean, jam, jump, jury, job, juice, jar, jazz, jaw, jeep, junk, jaguar, jacket, jelly, jungle, jet, jeans

K

Kiss, king, keep, key, king, kind, kite, knowledge, kitten, kettle, knife, koala, kids, kangaroo, kid, kitchen, knee, knock, knowledge, knot, ketchup, kindergarten, kit, keepsake, keyboard

L

Leaf, laugh, lock, lady bug, lightning, lamp, lollipop, leaves, lion, lizards, lily, locomotive, lamb, lucky, lobster, lunch, library, leg, lap, lake, letter, like, loud, left, live, love, learn, look, listen, lemon, little, licorice, lights, leotard, lips, lettuce

M

Mama, moon, music, mailbox, may, mask, map, mitten, mistletoe, magic, macaroni, march, medicine, mail, marshmallow, measure, money, mouse, mailbox, mischievous, mud, muffin, marvelous, movie, may, milk, me, mop, mango, mix, mountain

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N

Noodles, nice, neat, note, niece, nephew, night light, nap, nine, nurse, neighbor, noisy, now, nut, number, naughty, nobody, nickel, new, name, night, nuggets, nickname, nine, news, newspaper

O

Orange, oranges, oval, opera, octopus, octagon, open, oval, ordinary day, oatmeal, only, outside, olive, ocean, orangutan, otter, old, october, outstanding, okay, opposite, ostrich, optimistic, ouch!, outlook, one, our (life, love, day, etc.), organic

P

Popsicle, peek-a-boo, preschool, present, puppy, palm tree, pencil, paint, pen, pumpkin, pail, pinwheel, pennant, pink, purple, picnic, pop, pony, pool, porch, pine tree, pretty, pentagon, paw, paw print, painting, party, piano, pilgrim, polar bear, popcorn, popsicle, polka dots, parents, pine, panda, penguin, pie, pancakes, park, parrot, pretzel, parachute, penny, peanut, pea porcupine, parade, pet, peace, playmate, pillow, puzzle, pajamas, paper, police car, police officer, plant, pizza, pepperoni, pineapple, package, people, pancakes, pear, plate, peas, place, pepper

Q

Quilt, quick, quiz, queen, quiet, quintet, quack, quote, bar-be-que, quite, quest, quaint, quality, quicksand, question, quarter, quail, "quotation marks", quill, quiet time

R

Rice, reindeer, rattle, rabbit, rocker, rocket, ribbon, red, rings, roller blade, roller skate, rainbow, running, robot, rooster, rodeo, rain, read, raisin, row, remember, rhinoceros, rest, raspberry, rope, refrigerator, run, ride, roar, room, roam, rake, rectangle, ripe, raspberry, river, recipe

S

Slide, swing, space, story, sneak, snack, sweet, sour, sea, season, spring, stars, sun, sailboat, saw, school, scissors, shamrock, sassy, snowflake, sea horse, shovel, squirrel, son, skunk, skip, sing, silly, snake, stockings, santa, sand dollar, spider, starfish, sister, shells, summer, smile, silly, special, share, safe, smart, smell, snail, slow, soda, sandwich, shoe, sneeze, sand, secrets, see-saw, shadow, swimming pool, six, seven,

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scarf, soil, strawberries, sweater, sprinkler, swimsuit, spaghetti, snowsuit, skis, sled, skirt, sweep, square, slippers, stir, sizzle, suitcase, small, sniff, salt, spatula, salad

T

Train, two, three, tease, truck, tricycle, tennis, tent, teddy bear, top hat, trophy, taxi, tractor, toy, tulip, tv, teapot, toddler, tooth, tree, tug boat, turkey, thanksgiving, top, tinkerbelle, terrific, turtle, talk, teacher, tube, treasure, table, trouble, trick or-treat, taste, team, telephone, ten, test, tools, trips, ticket, theater, ten, t-shirt, teeth, tomato, trumpet, tickle, tiny

U

Umbrella, under, up, uncle, unusual, unique, upside down, USA, utensils, umbrella, underwater, understanding, useful, underwear, uniform, us, unbelievable, universe, unusual, upstairs, useful, unicycle, under, untie, undeniable

V

Voice, vegetables, very, violet, vacation, vines, violin, Valentine, vacuum, van, vest, vulture, vase, video, vitamins, volcano, visit, volunteer, veterinarian, vanilla wafers

W

Water, walk, wish, watermelon, wagon, wedding, work, women, weather, whale, witch, wheelbarrow, wolf, walrus, woodpecker, winter, weekend, wife, world, wave, watch, what, when, who, where, why, wonderful, welcome, wait, wash, watch, wish, world, write, worm, web site, wonder, white, waffles, whipped cream, wing, whiff, wash (hands)

X

x-tra special, xylophone, x-ray, xxx's are kisses, example, eXtraordinary

Y

YouTube, you, yes, yellow, yarn, yodel, youth, yam, yawn, year, yard, yell, yuck, yikes, yeast, yummy, yesterday, young

Z

zoo, zipper, zebra, zzz's, zig zag, zip code, zero, zip-a-dee-doo-dah!, zap, zoom