

Ways to Practice Letter ID

- Use letter/sound cards. Have your child say the name of the letter, then the name of the picture, then the name of the sound. For example: A, apple, /a/.
- Write the letter in shaving cream or sand, saying the name of the letter, followed by its sound while writing. Be sure that they are always starting at the top of the letter.
- Rainbow write. Have your child write the letter three times in one color on the line. Then have them choose the next color, tracing over the same three letters. Continue with a third color.
- Do a 'seek and find' with magnetic letters. Example: "Can you find a capital A?" "Can you find the letter that makes the /l/ sound?" "Can you find the letter that starts like the word 'pig'?"
- Use wikki stix to make the letter. This really helps with letter formation.
- Sort pictures based on their initial consonant sound.
- Find pictures in magazines that start with a given sound.
- Search for letters in the environment (at the grocery store, in the newspaper, in magazines, in books)

- Have your child think of words they know that start with the same letter. Example, can you think of words that start with the /p/ sound, like pig?”
- Use play dough to make the letter. Always practice its sound as you make the letter.