



EarlyBird Education

Letter Sound and Letter Name

Letter Sound and Name Matching – Upper Case

Hello EarlyBird Families!

Your child's ability to hear individual sounds in words (phonemic awareness) is an important skill in early literacy. Once a child can isolate sounds, they can then begin mapping those sounds onto letters (phoneme-grapheme mapping). This is the start of the alphabetic principle and learning to read and spell.

Cut out the picture cards and letters to be used in the following lessons.

Lesson 1. Hold up one picture card at a time. Say the word. Have your child repeat the word. then have your child say the sound that starts the word, i.e., in *add* the first sound is /a/. Repeat through as many cards as your child is comfortable.

Lesson 2. Place 3 picture cards face up on the table. Say the beginning sound in one of the words and see if your child can identify the correct picture. Have your child say each word out loud if this task is difficult or reduce to 2 picture cards.

Lesson 3. Place 5-6 picture cards on the table along with the letters that begin those words. Have your child match the picture cards to the corresponding letter that begins each word.

Use this list of words to help identify the starting sounds: add, bib, cat, dog, egg, fun, gas, hop, ill, jug, kiss, log, mad, nut, on, pig, quit, run, sad, tub, up, vet, web, box, yes, zip.

$1 + 1 = 2$	A		H
	B		I
	C		J
	D		K
	E		L
	F		M
	G		N

	O		V
	P		W
	QU		X
	R		Y
	S		Z
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