

# ALPHABET *Bingo!*

**Get Kids Learning and Moving'**





Let's face it, letter names and letter sounds don't always match up in a way that makes sense. Judging by their names, C should sound like /s/ and G should sound like /j/. Meanwhile, when X starts a word, it makes the same /z/ sound as the letter Z. This can be very confusing for early readers. They need constant reinforcement to internalize these nuances.

Rather than sitting down and drilling letters every day—endlessly drawing lines from the letter C to a clip-art cat—why not help kids match letters and sounds in the world around them? And a fun way to do that is neighborhood alpha-bingo. In this simple literacy game, you and your child will make real-world connections to the letters they're practicing, all while exploring your neighborhood together. It's a great way to get kids moving and learning at the same time.



# Instructions

## STEP

1

Print out your bingo sheets. If you choose one of the blank bingo sheets, write a single letter in each square. Choose letters that are commonly found at the beginning of words, like T, N, S, P, and H. (It can be hard to get Bingo looking for words that begin with Q or X!) If your child is learning how to write, encourage them to write some of the letters themselves.

If you have a laminator or sheet protector, you can turn the sheet into a dry-erase board to use again and again (just be sure to mark it with dry-erase markers).

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2

With your child, review each letter name found on the bingo sheet and its corresponding sound. For letters that can make more than one sound: Use short vowel sounds (e.g., the way “a” sounds in “hat”) and, for consonants that can be pronounced more than one way, use their “hard” sounds (the way “g” sounds in “goat” and “c” sounds in “car”).

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3

Give your child their bingo sheet and a marker, stamp, or stickers, then go explore the neighborhood searching for sounds. Every time your child sees something that begins with a letter sound on their sheet, have them mark it with the marker, stamp, or stickers. Four in a row wins the game!



So what are you waiting for? Let's b-i-n-**GO!**

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M	R	A	F
H	S	C	J
D	G	T	N

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