

Cookie Sheet Capital & Lowercase Letter Matching Magnetic Letter Activity

Objective

Children will find and match the capital and lowercase letters to the ones pictured, using the beginning sounds pictures as an additional clue.

Contents:

There are *SIX* different versions provided of this Capital and Lowercase Alphabet Matching Cookie Sheet Activity with Plastic Letters, plus some printable letters:

- Workmats for kids to match **BOTH THE CAPITAL AND LOWERCASE LETTERS** next to the beginning sounds picture. Files provided in *both* FULL COLOR and INK SAVING BLACK & WHITE.

- Workmats for kids to match **ONLY THE CAPITAL LETTERS** to the printed lowercase letters next to each beginning sounds picture. Files provided in *both* FULL COLOR and INK SAVING BLACK & WHITE.

- Workmats for kids to match **ONLY THE LOWERCASE LETTER** to the printed capital letters next to each beginning sounds picture. Files provided in *both* FULL COLOR and INK SAVING BLACK & WHITE.

Bonus Sections:

- **Name Task Cards** for children to practice finding the letters in their names. You'll find that there are two task cards to round out the file after the letters Y and Z, and then another full sheet of Name Task Cards, just in case you only need a set of those.

- Sort by Capital vs. Lowercase Letters Workmat:** on this card, children just sort out the letters. Surprisingly, this can be harder than it seems!

- Two blank sorting workmats to be used as you like; one is titled "**Letter Sort**," and the other just says "**Sort**." I suggest that you sort by vowels vs. consonants, tall vs. short letters, round vs. straight letters, or anything else you can think of!

- A printable alphabet to be cut apart**, just in case you do not have

plastic letters. You can also use this sheet to help keep letters organized. Teach kids to place their letters on top of this sheet when they are not using them.

-An alphabet to print out and use to organize the letters on. Have the children do this FIRST and the whole activity will be MUCH easier!

Description

Cookie Sheet Capital & Lowercase Letter Matching Magnetic Letter Activity is a fun and easy way for young children in Pre-K, Kindergarten, or first grade to practice matching upper and lower case letters to printed letters. It's also great for kids that are ready to match both the capital and lowercase letters to a beginning sound picture!

In the two easiest versions, the kids just find one matching missing letter- (either the capital or the lowercase letter) that matches the one that is printed. The capital letters go in the box with the "mommy and daddy" pictures. The lowercase letters are "the baby letters," so they go in the boxes with the baby pictures!

In the most advanced version, children use *both* capital and lowercase magnetic letters - (all 52 of them!) and try to match them up next to their beginning sounds pictures on these workmats.

Kids love using foam and plastic letters, especially when they are magnetic! So the activity is even more engaging by providing a cookie sheet, tray, or board that attracts the magnetic letters! However, a printable alphabet sheet has been provided just in case you do not have any plastic letters. The task cards can be cut apart into individual cards, or left in full 8.5" x 11" sheets, as desired.

Not provided: Magnetic plastic letters, cookie sheets.

Preparation

STOP! Don't print the whole thing! First, decide if you would like to print in full color or use the black and white, ink saving option. Then decide if you want to go with the full sheets, or cut them apart into single task cards.

If you do not have any plastic letters, there are some alphabet flash cards provided to be printed and laminated. If you use cookie sheets, you may wish to attach magnets to the back. (The easiest way is to use self-adhesive magnets, I think! They stick better to laminated paper than hot glue.)

Then print and laminate everything. Cut apart as needed.

To Use

Naturally, children will have more success with this activity if you have introduced the concept matching capital and lowercase the letters. Do not try the beginning sound matching activity until your kids know most of the alphabet and letter sounds. Once children understand that they are to find the letter associated with the beginning sound of the picture on the card, then all you need to do is make sure that they can identify each picture. English language learners may need extra practice with this step, but if necessary, give them an English speaking partner that can help.

These workmats may be used independently, but the key is to practice using them first in small groups so you can monitor how they are being used. In my class, I show the whole class first how to use a center manipulative. Then, when we break into small groups, we do guided practice together using the manipulative at my table. I watch to see how they are doing, and to see what they may have misunderstood. You may find that the younger the child, the more guided practice is needed.

Keeping Letters Organized

The most helpful thing I did was search out sets of magnetic letters in different colors! I started with foam magnetic letters with all of the consonants in blue, and all of the vowels in red. That made perfect sense to me, until my little ones started "borrowing" letters from each other to fill complete their task cards! And at the end of the day, I had to put five sets of letters in alphabetical order to make sure they were all complete. NO THANK YOU! So I started over and looked for another set that came in different colors for each one, A-Z. I finally found it on Amazon, here: https://smile.amazon.com/dp/B07NZMJGWB/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_U_TiuHDb2PDEVA6 There are eight sets of letters in eight different colors; two sets are capitals, and six sets are lowercase. The orange lowercase "q" arrived with the tiny "hook" on its tail falling off, but that is the only problem with it. It can still be used! It was \$27.99 and totally worth it.

If you teach the kids to organize the letters in alphabetical order, it should be easier for the children to find each letter that they need. With this, children should spend far less time *searching* for a letter, and *more time on the*

given skill, which is in this case beginning sounds. I just gave the kids an additional sheet of paper with the alphabet on it (included,) and they started the activity by placing the letters on top it, in order. If there is room for them to have two cookie sheets, great! If not, just let them place the letters on top of the paper. I got my cookie sheets at the Dollar Tree.

When my students use plastic letters independently, I check to make sure they have reorganized the letters they have used after each rotation to hold them accountable! This also helps me make sure none of the letters are lost, or wind up, bent, folded, ripped, or even pocketed! All of this helps a great deal, and prevents me from having to sort out a giant mess of letters at the end of the day.

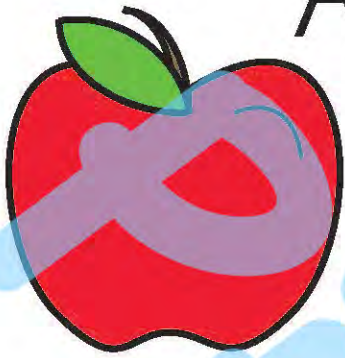
Teaching Tip

Do not assume that your students understand that you have placed the letters in alphabetical order to make them easier to find! Often, children do not realize this, and will not notice until you point it out! Young children may need practice singing the alphabet song, touching each letter as they go, and finding a given letter. I find that this is also true of our Word Wall; unless I teach them how to find a word they need to copy, only my fastest learners instinctively know or remember where those words are on the wall!

Have fun! Questions? Suggestions? Let us know! Just email us at info@heidisongs.com.

Thanks!
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Aa



Capital



Lowercase



Bb



Capital



Lowercase



Cc



Capital



Lowercase



Dd



Capital



Lowercase



Aa



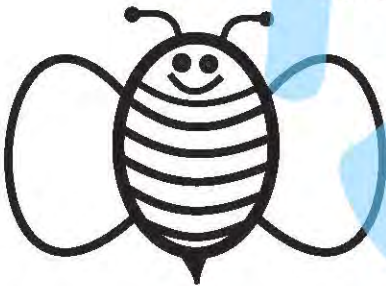
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Dd



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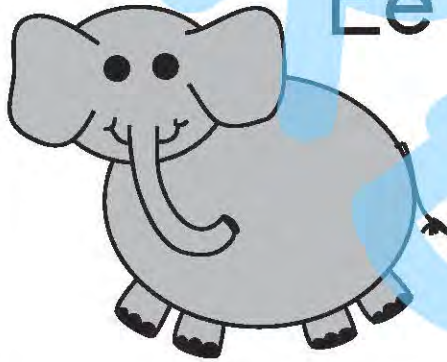


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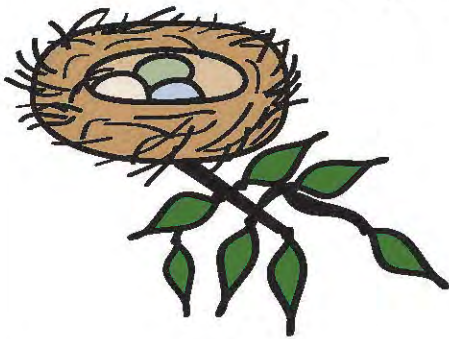


Ee

Capital



Lowercase



Nn

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Vv

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Lowercase



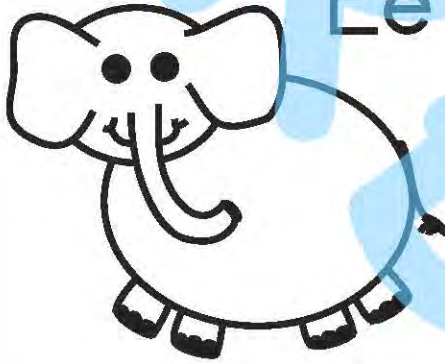


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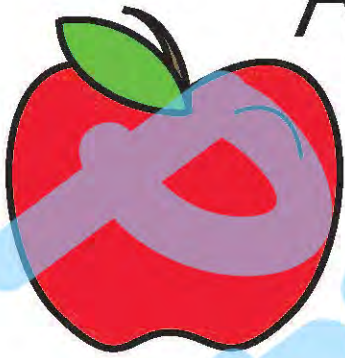
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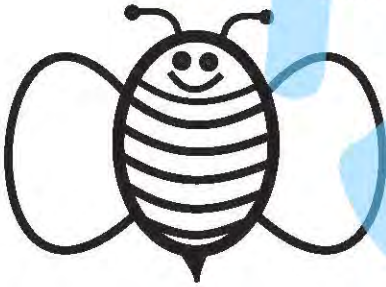


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Lowercase



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Capital



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Dd



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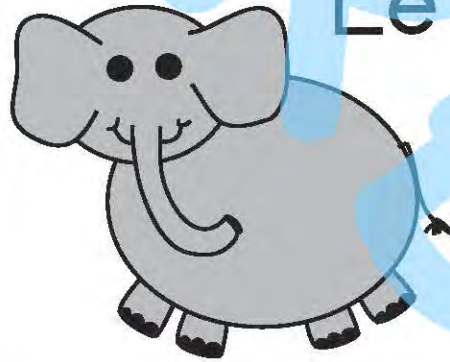
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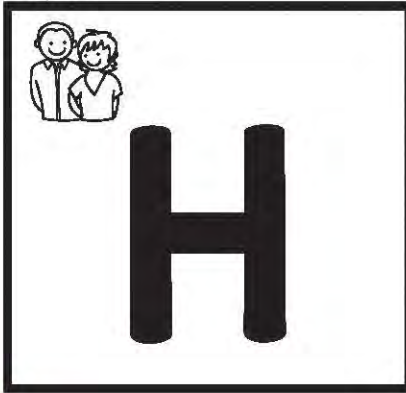
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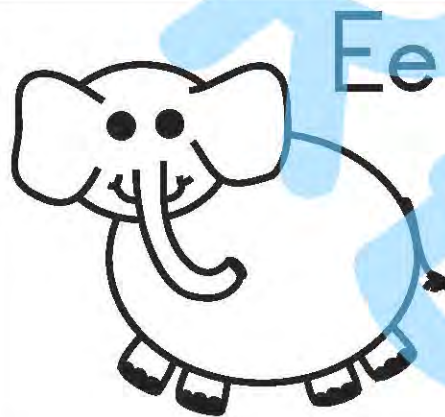
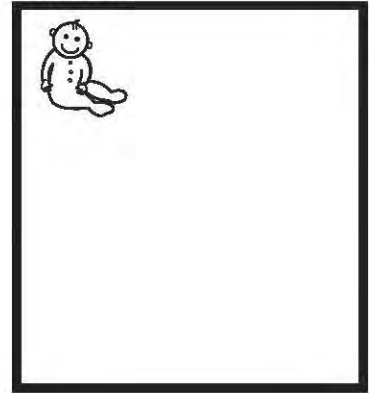




Capital



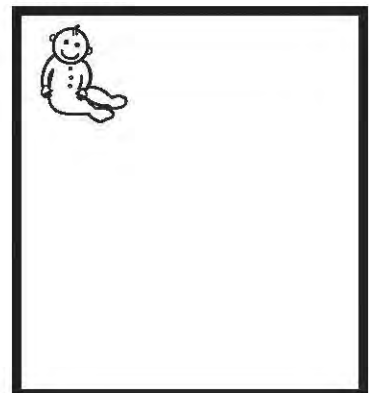
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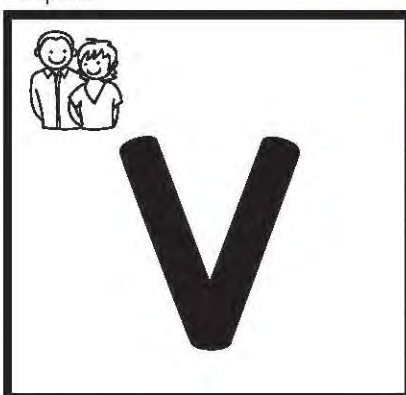
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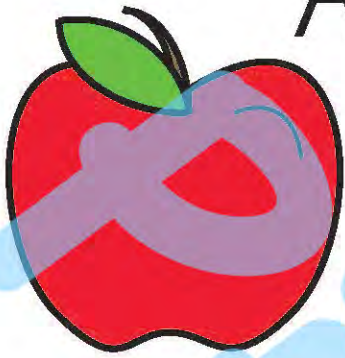
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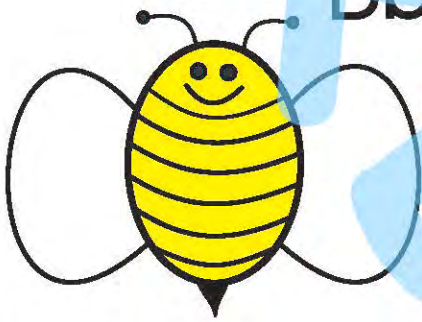


Lowercase



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Capital



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Capital



Lowercase



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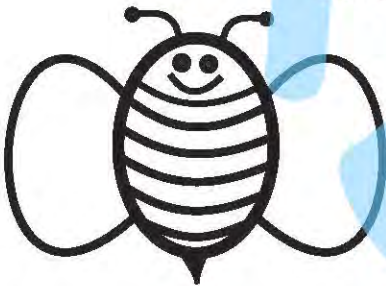


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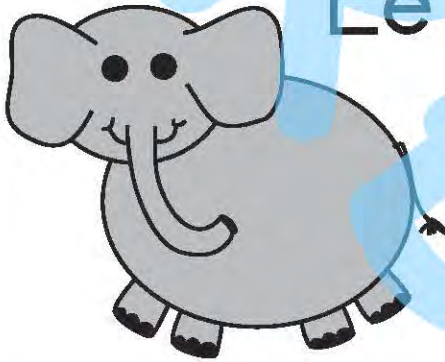
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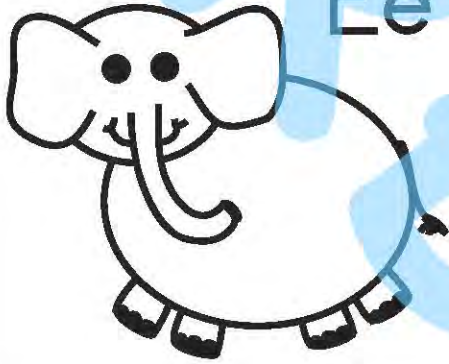
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Can you make your name? Start with a capital letter!



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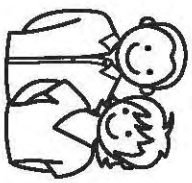


Capital

Lowercase

Can you make your name? Start with a capital letter!





Capitals

Letter Sort

Lowercase



Handwriting practice area with a large blue watermark reading 'HEIDISONGS.COM' diagonally across the page.

Letter Sort

Handwriting practice area with a large, light blue watermark reading "HEIDISONGS.COM". The page is divided into two columns by a vertical line.

Sort

Handwritten letters in blue ink: P, K, E, M, T, E, M, N.