

Learning at Home Activities

ALP-Charlotte designed these fun and interactive activities to focus primarily on phonics instruction emphasizing sounds, words, and syllables. These simple, yet impactful skills are essential for learning how to read. For more about us and the students we serve, visit www.alpcharlotte.org.

SHORT VOWEL SOUNDS

Short Vowel Sounds is an activity where all words and syllables contain at least one vowel. The long vowels are easier to learn, because the long vowel says its name. The short vowel sounds are different, which makes them more difficult to learn. It is important to recognize them by sight and sound.

Materials: vowel chart

Activity

Point to the first letter and ask your child the name of the letter. (Answer: a) If he/she does not know, tell him/her “a”.

Next, point to the picture beside the letter and ask your child, “Do you know what sound it makes? It makes the “short a” ä sound as in apple.”

Repeat with the other letters.





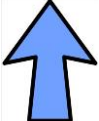
a as in apple /ă/

e as in edge /ě/

i as in itch /ĩ/

o as in octopus /ö/

u as in up /ů/

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