

Can You Find?

An ABC Book

A We Both Read® Book: Level PK–K

Guided Reading: Level AA

*Dedicated to Sarah Poindexter
with special thanks for her humor and joy over many years
teaching children about the letters of the alphabet*

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Parent's Introduction

We Both Read books have been developed by reading specialists to invite you and your child to interact together as each book is being read. This book is designed for a parent or adult to read the entire book to a child. However, your child is invited to actively participate by finding items in the pictures.

This book will help your child identify the letters in the alphabet and the sounds those letters make. You will read a short sentence with words that start with a particular letter of the alphabet, for example: "Alvin admires acting." As you read the sentence, it may be helpful to point to the beginning letter of each word and emphasize the sound that letter makes.

Then, you can invite your child to find things in the picture that start with the same beginning sound (alligator, apple, astronaut, etc.). You can help guide your child by pointing out something in the picture that starts with the sound of the letter and asking if he knows what it might be. If needed, you can say what it is, emphasizing the first sound in the word. On each page, you can also point to the two different ways that each letter can be written and invite your child to find those letters hidden in the picture.

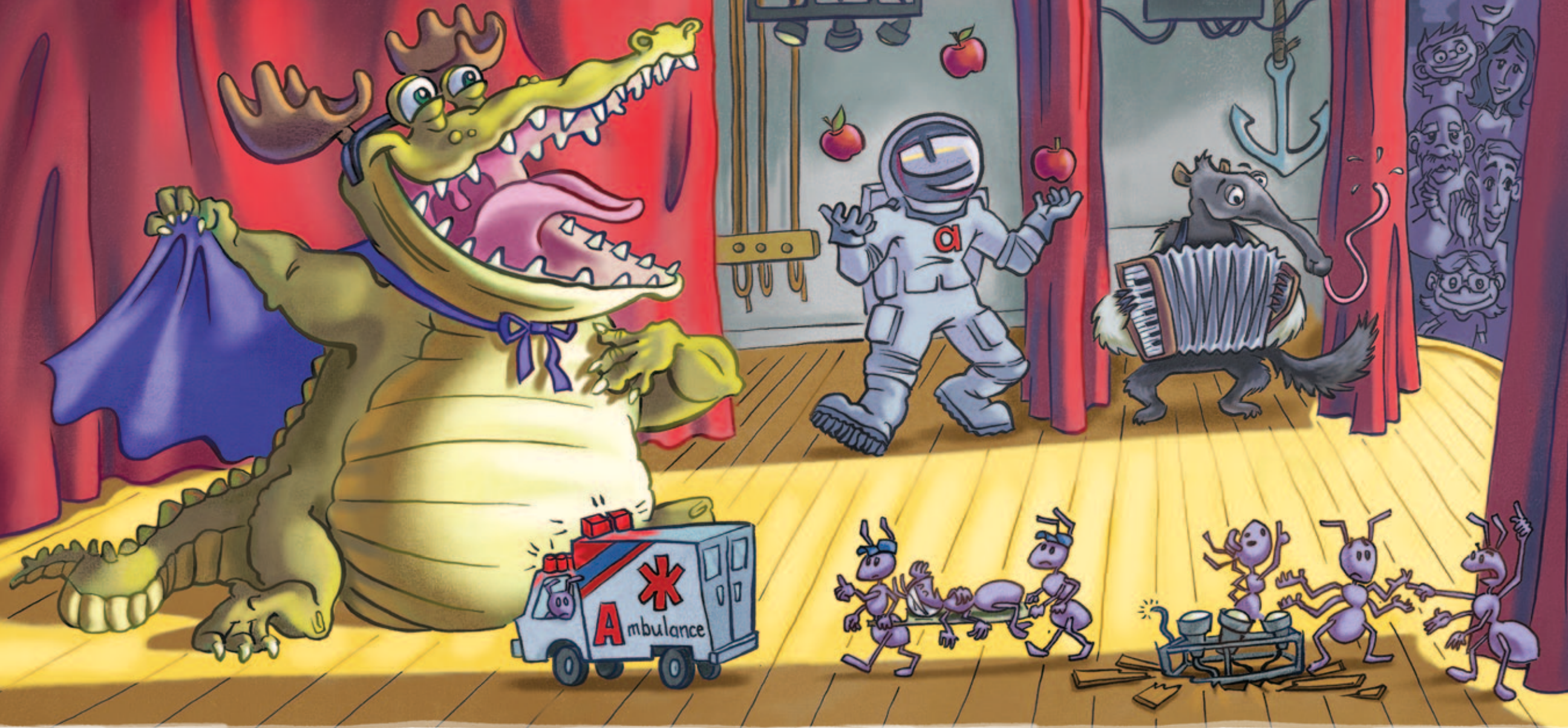
Can you find anything else that has the same beginning sound as Alvin?



Apples!

Please note that for vowels *a*, *e*, *i*, *o*, and *u* the book only includes words and objects that start with the short vowel sound. This helps avoid confusion and emphasizes the vowel sound in words that your child will first begin to read. If you think your child is ready, you may want to explain that the vowels can also sometimes make the same sound as the letter name.

After you have gone through the book once, it may be fun and helpful to go through it again with your child. Remember to praise your child's efforts and keep the interaction fun. Try to keep these tips in mind, but don't worry about doing everything right. Simply sharing the book together will help prepare your child for reading and a lifetime of reading enjoyment!



Alvin admires acting.

Can you find some things in this picture that have the same beginning sound as Alvin?

These words all start with the letter **A**.
The letter **A** can be written two ways:

A a

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



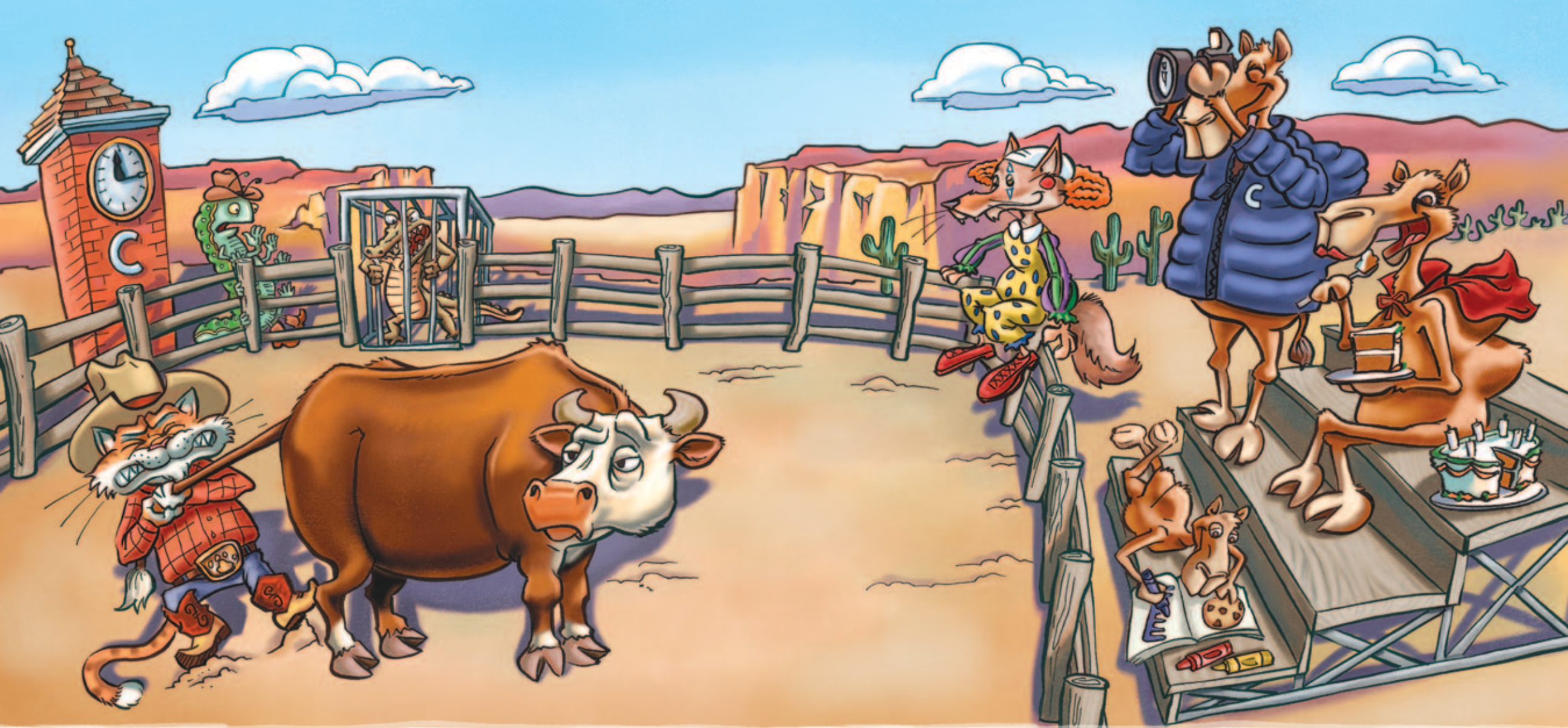
Bonnie bursts bubbles.

Can you find some things in this picture that have the same beginning sound as **Bonnie**?

These words all start with the letter **B**.
The letter **B** can be written two ways:

B b

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Connor catches cows.

Can you find some things in this picture that have the same beginning sound as **C**onnor?

These words all start with the letter **C**.
The letter **C** can be written two ways:

C c

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



David directs ducks.

Can you find some things in this picture that have the same beginning sound as David?

These words all start with the letter **D**.
The letter **D** can be written two ways:

D d

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Ellen educates eggs.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **E**llen? These words all start with the letter **E**. The letter **E** can be written two ways:

E e

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Frunk fumbles fruit.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **F**runk? These words all start with the letter **F**. The letter **F** can be written two ways:

F f

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Glenn guards geckos.

Can you find some things in this picture that start with the same beginning sound as **G**lenn?

These words all start with the letter **G**.
The letter **G** can be written two ways:

G g

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Hank handles hamburgers.

Can you find some things in this picture that have the same beginning sound as Hank?

These words all start with the letter **H**.
The letter **H** can be written two ways:

H h

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Ingrid interviews iguanas.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as Ingrid? These words all start with the letter I. The letter I can be written two ways:

I i

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Jack jumps over jelly jars.

Can you find some things that start with the same beginning sound as Jack? These words all start with the letter J. The letter J can be written two ways:

J j

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Laura licks lemons.

Can you find some things in this picture that start with the same beginning sound as **L**aura?

These words all start with the letter **L**.
The letter **L** can be written two ways:

L I

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Mikey makes music.

Can you find some things in this picture that start with the same beginning sound as Mikey?

These words all start with the letter **M**.
The letter **M** can be written two ways:

M m

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Nancy needs napkins.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **Nancy**? These words all start with the letter **N**. The letter **N** can be written two ways:

N n

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Oscar operates often.

Can you find some things that start with the same beginning sound as **Oscar**? These words all start with the letter **O**. The letter **O** can be written two ways:

O o

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Paul proudly plays piano.

Can you find some things in this picture that start with the same beginning sound as Paul?

These words all start with the letter **P**.
The letter **P** can be written two ways:

P p

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Quincy quacks quietly.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **Quincy**? These words all start with the letter **Q**. The letter **Q** can be written two ways:

Q q

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Robin recognizes rain.

Can you find some things that start with the same beginning sound as **Robin**? These words all start with the letter **R**. The letter **R** can be written two ways:

R r

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Sarah sleeps soundly.

Can you find some things in this picture that start with the same beginning sound as Sarah?

These words all start with the letter **S**.
The letter **S** can be written two ways:

S s

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Tom taps terrifically.

Can you find some things in this picture that start with the same beginning sound as **T**om?

These words all start with the letter **T**.
The letter **T** can be written two ways:

T t

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Uncle **U**nger **u**nloads **u**mbrellas.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **U**ncle? These words all start with the letter **U**. The letter **U** can be written two ways:

U u

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Victor **v**acuum**v**s **v**igorously!

Can you find some things that start with the same beginning sound as **V**ictor? These words all start with the letter **V**. The letter **V** can be written two ways:

V v

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Rx can fx a Sphix.

Can you find some things in this picture that end with the same sound as **Rx**? These words end with the letter **X**. The letter **X** can be written two ways:

X x

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?

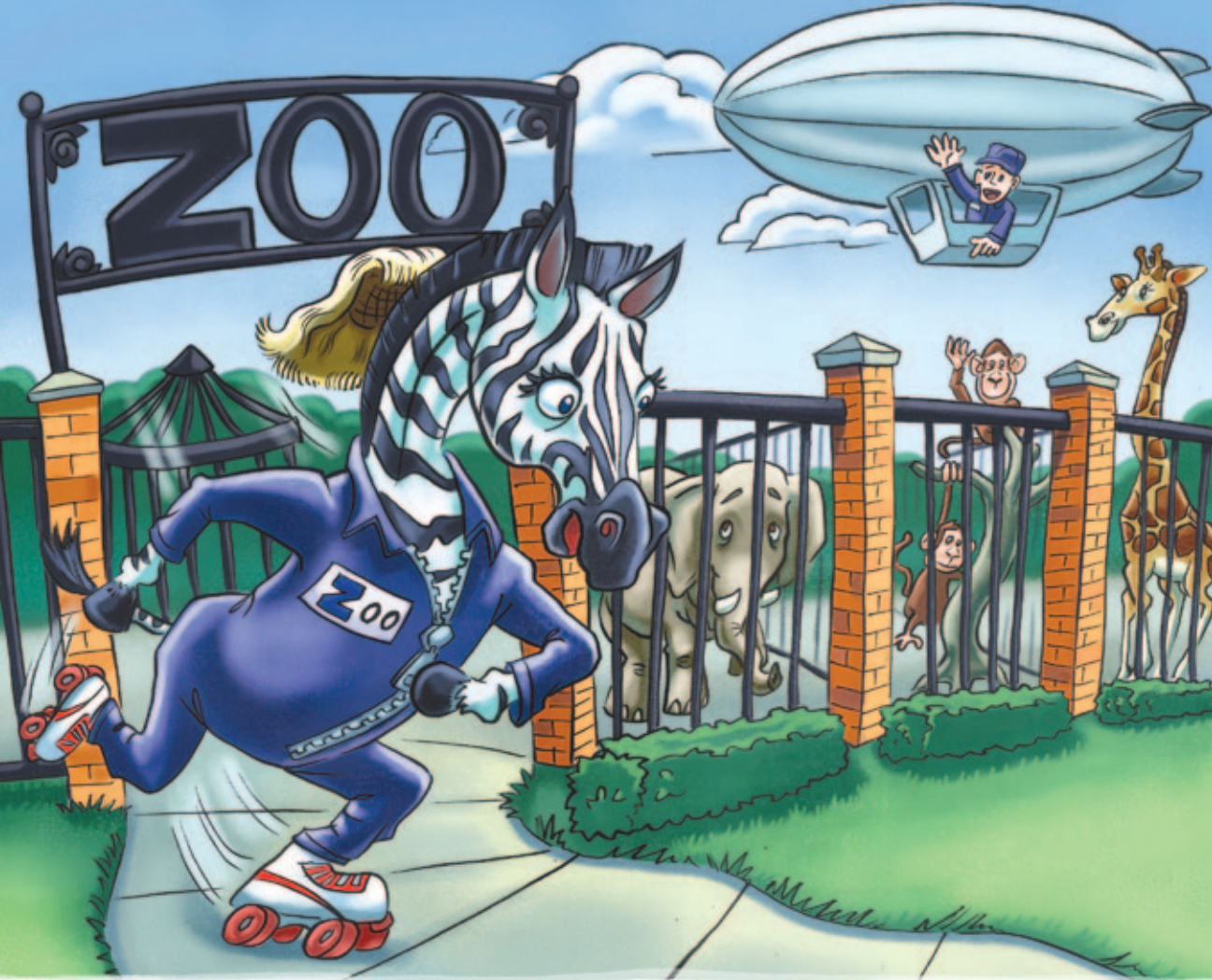


Yani yelped yesterday.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **Yani**? These words all start with the letter **Y**. The letter **Y** can be written two ways:

Y y

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?



Zelda **z**oomed **z**estfully.

Can you find some things that have the same beginning sound as **Z**elda? These words all start with the letter **Z**. The letter **Z** can be written two ways:

Z z

Can you find these letters hidden in the picture?

The Alphabet

Aa	Bb	Cc	Dd
Ee	Ff	Gg	Hh
Ii	Jj	Kk	Ll
Mm	Nn	Oo	Pp
Qq	Rr	Ss	Tt
Uu	Vv	Ww	Xx
	Yy	Zz	