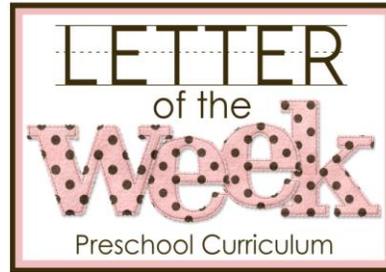


Letter of the Week Curriculum by Erica Made Designs, LLC



* Please note that you do NOT have to do all of the activities planned for each week, you can change them to fit whatever works best for your family. The activities are listed in a specific order so that each day your preschooler will be doing a variety of activities each day. I teach vowels first then move on to consonants, so the Lesson Plans are in that order, obviously you can do whatever order you prefer.

* All of the items on the list are either supplied in my download package or I have linked the cell in the spreadsheet to where you can download.

NOTE: Make sure to look in the "LESSONS" folder for a bunch of fun bonus materials you receive just for purchasing the Letter of the Week!

* The names of activities in the spreadsheet should directly correlate to the names of the files in the downloaded folders.
For additional letter ideas, please see each letter on my blog at:

<http://confessionsofahomeschooler.com>

[If you have any questions as to what an activity is, or how to use it please email me at erica@confessionsofahomeschooler.com](mailto:erica@confessionsofahomeschooler.com)

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Resources (These are optional, however they are highly recommended!)

[FREE DOWNLOAD: Alphabet Pattern Block worksheets - IF YOU ORDERED THE CD, PLEASE DOWNLOAD THIS ITEM. If you ordered the download, it is included in the "Lessons" folder.](#)

[FREE DOWNLOAD: Preschool Daily Learning Notebook: IF YOU ORDERED THE CD, PLEASE DOWNLOAD THIS ITEM. If you ordered the download, it is included in the "Lessons" folder.](#)

Song Time: [Hide "Em in Your Heart Vol 1](#) & [Vol 2](#)

[Leapfrog letter Factory DVD](#)

[Chicka Chicka Boom Boom & Chicka Chicka 123](#)

[Expo Dry Erase Markers](#)

[Pencils, Crayons or Pip-Squeaks Markers](#)

Scissors (kids rounded ends)

[Magnets \(I use Power Magnets, or pom-pom magnets - I made them using medium sized pom-poms and self-sticky circle magnets from the craft aisle in Wal-mart. You can also use a glue gun and circle magnets, they'd probably holdup better!\)](#)

[Wooden Clothes pins \(I suggest the miniature ones from Wal-mart craft section\)](#)

[1 1/2 " wooden disks from Michaels, hobby lobby, or JoAnn's for the letter match games. Click here to see how to make the letter disks. \(Note: you can also use left over milk caps\)](#)

[**It's helpful to have a Xyron Sticker Maker so you don't have to glue or Mod Podge all the letters on, but that's totally optional!](#)

[Hole Punch \(For the Lacing Cards\)](#)

[Wooden Pattern Blocks](#)

[Creative Color Cubes \(1" Wooden Color Blocks\)](#)

Magnetic Board: Use a cookie sheet, but they have cute magnetic dry-erase boards that are small enough for workboxes in the school/office supply section at Wal-mart and Target.

Counters: You can use marbles, beads, bingo markers, beans, cheerios, glass pebbles from the craft store, matchbox cars, dinosaurs, really anything you think your child will like. I have a few different ones just so I can switch them out.

Yarn or string for lacing

Calendar Time:

[I suggest you purchase a poster size wall calendar, as it is referred to daily. Here is a sample of ours:](#)

<http://www.confessionsofahomeschooler.com/blog/2010/04/calendar-time-2.html>

[And you'll want to check out these posts too that explain a little better how we do calendar time:](#)

<http://www.confessionsofahomeschooler.com/blog/tag/calendar-time>

[FREE GINGHAM CALENDAR NUMBERS AND MONTHS:](#)

<http://www.confessionsofahomeschooler.com/blog/2011/10/gingham-calendar-day-month-printables.html>

Optional School Supplies:

Laminator: You can either laminate at home, at a local teacher or office supply store, or not at all, it's up to you. If you do choose to purchase a laminator, which most homeschoolers find quite useful, I recommend this one, you can find it at Wal-mart and Sam's Clubs. It's about \$30 for the laminator and \$14 for refill packets.

[Scotch Laminator](#)

[Scotch 9x11 Laminating Sheets](#)

Glue (I recommend Elmer's Glue Sticks & Elmer's White Craft Glue)

Paint & Large Sheets of Paper for painting

Colored **Construction Paper**

Large **Thumb Tacks** or Tooth Picks

[Pattern Blocks & Activity Cards](#)

[Magnetic Alphabet Letters Upper/Lowercase](#)

[Click here to see some of our other favorite preschool things!](#)

Daily Learning Notebook: PrekDailyLearningNotebook.pdf in the "Lessons" folder

Supplies: 1 1/2" 3-ring notebook. Place pages 3-8 in page protectors so they can be re-used with dry-erase markers.

Directions: Have students fill in the information for the current day ie "Monday". Next fill in the time and weather, color weather appropriate clothing on the stick figure. Have students write their name once per month, color in one day for each day they're in school until they reach 100. Next trace the appropriate number for each calendar day, and color in one square for today's weather. At the end of the month discuss which type of weather you had the most and least of. Color/review one letter, number, and shape per week as indicated in the weekly lesson plans.

IF YOU PURCHASED THE CD VERSION OF THIS CURRICULUM PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE DAILY LEARNING NOTEBOOK HERE:

<http://shared.confessionsofahomeschooler.com/calendar/PrekDailyNotebook.pdf>

SONGS:

Alphabet Song: Sing to tune of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

a,b,c,d,e,f,g...h,i,j,k,lmnop...q,r,s...t,u,v...w,x...y and z.

Now I know my abc's won't you come and sing with me!

Days of the Week Song: Sing to tune of "The Adam's Family"

Days of the week (snap, snap)

Days of the week (snap, snap)

Days of the week, Days of the week, Days of the week (snap, snap)

There's Sunday and there's Monday

There's Tuesday and there's Wednesday

There's Thursday and there's Friday,

And then there's Saturday!

Days of the week (snap, snap)

Days of the Week Song 2: Sing to tune of "Frere jacques"

Today is (Fill in today's name ie: Monday)

Today is (Fill in today's name ie: Monday)

All day long

All day long

Tomorrow will be _____

Yesterday was _____

Let's have fun, all day long!

Months of the Year Song to the tune of the "Macarena"

January, February, March, and April,

May, June, July, and August,

September, October, November, and December

Twelve months in a year!

LETTER A

G R O U P T I M E	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		<p align="center">Pledge of Allegiance Song: Motion CD, Verse CD, or days of week/mos of year, alphabet song (See Page 2 for songs.) Calendar: Place # on calendar & count Date: "Today Is": Month, Day, Year Review: yesterday/tomorrow Weather: Put up daily weather card, (optional) fill in weather graph Memory Verse: All have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Rom 3:23 (Printable verse cards in the Lessons folder "A-ZMemoryVerses.pdf") Daily Learning Notebook: Fill out PrekDailyNotebook.pdf plus Letter A, Number 1, Shape Circle (Instructions on page 3) Review A-ZFlashcards.pdf: Letter A</p>			
	<p>Introduce Letter A, sing song: the A says 'ah' the A says 'ah', every letter makes a sound the A says 'ah'. (like apple)</p> <p>A lacing card with color cubes. (Print file A_ZworksheetsUC.pdf and A_ZworksheetsLC.pdf on colored construction paper and laminate. Hole punch every 1". Have student make pattern with cubes ontop of the letter, or lace the letter with yarn.)</p> <p>Apple coloring page</p> <p>A floor numbers (Call out number and have your child hop onto that card)</p> <p>LeapFrog Letter Factory Video</p> <p>Reading (Pick a book and read aloud to your prek daily!)</p> <p>Start alphabet binder/book: Decorate cover page for "My Alphabet" binder (The cover page is in the Lessons Folder)</p> <p>Make Memory Bracelet for letter A: LOTWMemoryBracelets.pdf</p> <p>Optional: Introduce Spanish Words for the week, review each day.</p>	<p>Letter Aa tracing card with dry erase marker</p> <p>Apple cutting practice</p> <p>Apple Magnet Page</p> <p>Geoboard and rubber bands: Make letter A and a</p> <p>Apple 6 piece puzzle</p> <p>A letter hunt worksheet</p> <p>Movement: Make your body into the shape of the letter.</p> <p>Reading</p>	<p>AlphaPatternBlocks.pdf - Letter A (File in the "Lessons" folder.)</p> <p>SongTime: Motion CD, Verse CD, or days of week/mos of year, alphabet song</p> <p>Letter A Color Puzzles (Cut out colored apples, then cut them in half in different ways. Have students match apples back together then say what color they are.)</p> <p>Letter A do-a-dot page. (Use do-a-dot markers or bingo dabbers to make one dot in each spot on the page to create the letter Aa shapes.)</p> <p>a collage worksheet (A_ZWorksheetLC.pdf in the lessons folder. Follow instructions on page 1 of the file)</p> <p>Apple pattern worksheet. Use cards on the printable to complete the pattern.</p> <p>Apple Letter Match: use with wooden letter disks, click here for instructions.</p> <p>Reading</p>	<p>Letter A Scavenger hunt (Give student a small box, bag, or basket and instruct them to go find as many things as they can that start with Apple Cut n Paste</p> <p>Aa poking page: Use thumb tack or tooth pick to poke along outline of letters</p> <p>Apple Lacing Card</p> <p>Apple Shape Puzzles</p> <p>Apple counting practice: Pg 9-13 of LetterA.pdf, count seeds on apples, and place correct number card on the apple when done counting.</p> <p>Reading</p>	<p>Aa sorting game</p> <p>Apple Prewriting pages</p> <p>Apple Size Sorting</p> <p>Read Chicka Chicka Boom Boom: put letter A up on alphabet tree</p> <p>Make Letter A page for binder: http://totallytots.blogspot.com/2009/11/now-i-know-my-abcs-is-for-alligator.html</p> <p>Family Fun Night! Have some Apples, Ants on a log, or Apricot pork chops with apple pie & watch Aristocats.</p>

LETTER E

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

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Pledge of Allegiance

Song: Motion CD, Verse CD, or days of week/mos of year, alphabet song

Calendar: Place # on calendar & count

Date: "Today Is": Month, Day, Year

Review: yesterday/tomorrow

Weather: Put up daily weather card, (optional) fill in weather graph

Memory Verse: Even a child is known by his doings. Proverbs 20:11

Daily Learning Notebook: Fill out PrekDailyNotebook.pdf plus Letter E, Number 2, Shape Triangle (Instructions on page 3)

Review A-ZFlashcards.pdf: Letter A,E

Introduce Letter E, sing song: the E says 'eh' the E says 'eh', every letter makes a sound the E says 'eh'. (like elephant)

Ee lacing cards with color cubes. (Make pattern with cubes on top of the letter)

Elephant color by numbers page

Elephant floor numbers (Call out number and have your child hop onto that card)

Elephant Letter Match: use with wooden letter disks

Movement: Make your body into the shape of the letter

Reading (Pick a book and read aloud to your prek daily!)

Make Memory Bracelet for letter E: LOTWMemoryBracelets.pdf

Introduce Spanish Words for the week, review each day.

Letter Ee tracing card with dry erase marker

Elephant cutting practice

Elephant pattern activity

Geoboard and rubber bands: Make letter E and e

Elephant 6 piece puzzle

[E letter hunt worksheet](#)

Ee Lacing Cards (Optional: Print the files "A-ZWorksheetsLC" and "A-ZworksheetsUC" (in the Lessons folder) onto colored construction paper, then laminate, and cut them out to make letter shaped lacing cards. Hole punch every 1" along the letter.)

AlphaPatternBlocks.pdf - Letter E

Reading

E collage worksheet for coloring/gluing (A_ZWorksheetUC.pdf in the Lessons folder)

Elephant color matching puzzles

Elephant graphing page: Use with dry erase markers or cheerios

[Pattern Blocks: click here for more info or skip this activity](#)

ART: elephant cut and paste craft: <http://www.first-school.ws/activities/shapes/animals/elephantcd.htm>

Kumon Lets Sticker & Paste (optional)

Do A Dot Page

Reading

Letter E Scavenger hunt:

Elephant magnet page

Ee poking page: Use thumb tack or tooth pick to poke along outline of letters

Elephant pre-writing practice

Elephant lacing card

Reading

Art: Color Wheel color mixing with eye droppers

Reading

Ee sorting game

Elephant number cards: Use mini-clothespins or paper clips to place on cards based on the # on the card

Elephant Size Sorting

Read Chicka Chicka Boom Boom: put letter E up on alphabet tree

Make Letter E page for binder: <http://totallytots.blogspot.com/2009/12/know-i-know-my-abcs-e-is-for-elf.html>

Cut & Paste page

e collage worksheet for coloring/gluing (A_ZWorksheetLC.pdf in the Lessons folder)

Family Fun Night! Have some enchiladas and watch Madagascar - Escape 2 Africa or The Prince of Egypt