

Jumbo Alphabet Unifix® Cubes

Little learners hone their fine motor skills while learning their ABCs with **Jumbo Alphabet Unifix® Cubes!**

First and foremost, children should be allowed time to play and experiment with these linking cubes. Have the child detach and reattach the cubes as practice for working with the cubes.

Children may notice that some cubes are red and some are blue. The red cubes are vowels and the blue cubes are consonants. Children will learn more about vowels and consonants in Kindergarten and Grade 1.

They will also notice that there are letters printed on the cubes. On one side is the uppercase letter, on the other is the lowercase letter.

There are three blank cubes included in the box — two red and one blue. These are extra cubes that can be used when two or three of the same letter are required, or if a letter from a different language is needed. Just add the letter to the cube in black marker or a sticker. Please note that some markers may be permanent.

Here are some simple experiences and activities that are appropriate for young children.

The Alphabet Song

1. Ask the child to remove his or her cubes from the box and break any sticks into individual cubes. Help the child to arrange the cubes so the she or he can read each letter. Start by arranging the lowercase letters from a to z.
2. Please note that there are two of the y cubes. This is because y can be both a consonant and a vowel, depending on the word. Just choose either the red y or the blue y and put the other aside with the extra cubes.
3. With your child, sing “The Alphabet Song” as you point to each letter.
4. Now arrange the uppercase letters from A to Z.
5. With your child, sing the Alphabet Song as you point to each letter.

The Alphabet Song

A, B, C, D, E, F, G

H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P

Q, R, S

T, U, V

W, X

Y, Z

Now I've sung my ABCs.

Next time won't you sing with me?

(Pause.)

A, B, C, D, E, F, G

H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P

Q, R, S

T, U, V

W, X

Y, Z

Now I've sung my ABCs.

Next time won't you sing with me? 

Letter Identification

1. With the child, arrange the **Jumbo Alphabet Unifix® Cubes** in order as shown below as he or she says the name of the letter.
2. Next, ask the child to point to the letter as you say its name:
Ask: “Can you show me the letter a?”
3. If the child has trouble identifying the letter a, review the Alphabet Song, saying several letters and **then ask:** “So, which of these letters is a?”
4. Repeat these steps until the child can correctly identify a, b, c, and so on.
5. Next, turn the letters over and repeat steps 1–4 with the uppercase letters.

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Trace the Letters

1. Beginning with the lowercase letters, ask your child to trace each letter with the first finger as he or she says the letter aloud with you.
2. Try this two or three times and then trace the uppercase letters.

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Build Your Name with Jumbo Alphabet Unifix® Cubes!

1. With the child, choose the cubes that spell the child's first name.
2. Explain that the uppercase letters are used for any special words, like a person's name.
3. Have the child link the letters together in the correct order. Then, say the name of each letter aloud together as the child points to the letter.
4. Repeat the letters names again, pointing to each one, and then have the child pull the letters apart and repeat the task.

Spell Your Name with Jumbo Alphabet Unifix® Cubes!

1. As before, display the cubes that spell the child's first name.
2. As you say the names of the letters aloud, ask the child to point to each letter of his or her name.
3. Repeat the names of the letters until the child can say them without help.
4. Lastly, have the child trace the letters of his or her name on the cubes while saying the letter names aloud.

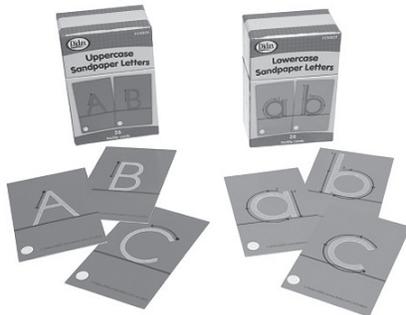
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Uppercase Sandpaper Letters and Lowercase Sandpaper Letters Set

This set of Sandpaper Letters is an excellent resource for your tactile learners to learn letter shapes and to practice writing letters.

This set of two boxes is useful for home or classroom learning activities, and helps students with special needs by providing sensory input to their literacy skills.

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Grades: Pre-K-1



Jumbo Unifix® Cubes, 20 pieces

Little hands will love these easy-to-handle connecting cubes. A great way for developing key number concepts, including counting, one-to-one correspondence, counting, and cardinality.

Just like traditional Unifix® Cubes, these snap together easily, yet can be pulled apart with minimal effort. Includes 20 cubes, 1-1/2" on all sides, in four bright colors. Activity ideas included.

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