

Paul Thurlby's Alphabet

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Little ones learning their letters will find this British designer's take on the illustrated alphabet, in which he assigns each letter a word to display, especially nifty. There's "K" for karate: a boy wearing a gi strikes a pose to approximate the shape of the letter. Ditto in "T" for trapeze, where a man hangs from a chin-up bar. These modern, collage-type illustrations are much more appealing than classic alphabet fare and will educate both kids and design-savvy parents.

Ages four to eight.

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