



Bad Kitty

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Letter knowledge is the ability to understand that letters are different from one another, and that they have different names and sounds. Older kids can work on this skill by reading fun alphabet books, picking out favorite letters on signs, or playing a game to see how many words they can think of that start with the same sound/letter. You can work on early literacy skills anywhere and anytime with a little creativity.

Activity: *Alphabet Album* - This is an activity that encourages youngsters to recognize and write the letters of the alphabet.

Materials: Old photo album, pictures (out of magazines or old books) for each letter of the alphabet, large upper and lower case alphabet letters, wipe off markers and a few old socks.

Description: Take the photo album and make one page per alphabet letter. Put the upper and lowercase letters and one or two pictures (whatever will fit) into the page. Do this for each letter. After the book is done use a wipe off markers to allow children practice tracing the letter (and say the letter). The kids love it! Give the children an old sock so they may wipe it off and do it again and again.

