

AlphaTales

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Seal's Silly Sandwich

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One Sunday, Seal invited his friends
for supper.



"What's for supper?" said Snail.
"I am serving a sandwich," said Seal.



Seal put some sardines on a slice of bread.
“Sardines in a sandwich!” said Snail.
“That’s silly!”



Next Seal added some stew.
“Stew in a sandwich!” said Sloth.
“That’s silly!”



Next Seal added some spaghetti.
"Spaghetti in a sandwich!" said Snake.
"That's silly!"



Next Seal added some spinach.
"Spinach in a sandwich!" said Salamander.
"That's silly!"



Next Seal added some scrambled eggs.
“Scrambled eggs in a sandwich!” said Skunk.
“That’s silly!”



Next Seal added six scoops
of strawberry ice cream.

“Strawberry ice cream in a sandwich!”
said Spider. “That’s silly!”



Next Seal added some salsa and some maple syrup.

“Salsa and syrup in a sandwich!” said Squirrel.

“That’s silly!”



“Who’s ready for a slice of my sandwich?”
said Seal.



“No thanks,” said Snail, Sloth, Snake,
Salamander, Skunk, Spider, and Squirrel.
“That sandwich is just too silly!”



But Seal didn't think his sandwich was silly at all.



He thought it was scrumptious!

How many things can you find that begin with the letter S?





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S is for spider, snake, snail, and seal

S is for a super-sized sandwich meal

S is for sailboat, smile, and sing

S is for spaghetti, seesaw, and swing

Hooray for **S**, big and small—

the most sensational letter of all!



Teaching Letter Formation



With

AlphaTales

Welcome to AlphaTales: A to Z Letter Formation Practice Pages! These ready-to-go pages introduce and reinforce each letter's upper- and lowercase formation. They also ensure kids get lots of practice with the featured letter—all with the help of friendly AlphaTales creatures!

Research shows that automatic letter recognition is a critical element for reading success. Kids need to be able to read their own writing—and that of others! Though they will naturally develop their own handwriting style as they become more confident, fluent writers, all kids need to learn the basic strokes (and sequence of strokes) involved in each letter's formation. In this way, copying rows of letters reinforces the shape of each letter and provides visual and kinesthetic reinforcement.

In addition to letter formation practice, the pages provide an opportunity for kids to develop phonemic awareness.

Each letter is introduced by a familiar AlphaTale animal whose name begins with the target letter, and alliterative sentences from all 26 AlphaTales stories highlight initial sounds.



In addition to using the pages for explicit, whole group instruction, you might:

- send blank pages home with children to practice at home
- put copies of the pages in the writing center
- have children create alphabet folders in which they put their completed sheets and bind into a book when all 26 sheets have been completed
- include the sheets in children's portfolios

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Come see what's for supper at Seal's house.
His recipe for a super-duper sandwich will
surprise you!



AlphaTales are humorous stories designed to help young children recognize letters and the sounds they make. Lay the foundation for reading success with these kid-pleasing books — one for each letter of the alphabet!

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