



These are the Zoo-Phonics animals we'll be using to help us learn the letter sounds this year. We will begin by using the lowercase letters to recognize and learn the sounds. Research tells us that this is the best progression because when we read we typically see the lowercase letters and we begin reading by using the letter sounds, not necessarily the letter names.

Allie Alligator	Bubba Bear	Catina Cat	Dee Dee Deer
Ellie Elephant	Francy Fish	Gordo Gorilla	Honey Horse
Inny inchworm	Jerry Jellyfish	Kayo Kangaroo	Lizzy Lizard
Missy Mouse	Nigel Nightowl	Olive Octopus	Pee Wee Penguin
Queeny Quail	Robby Rabbit	Sammy Snake	Timothy Tiger
Umber Umbrella Bird	Vincent Vampire Bat	Willy Weasel	Xavier Fox
		<p>The name of each animal gives a clue to the correct sound for each letter. For example: <i>Allie Alligator, ă, ă, ă (say the short a sound as in Allie)</i> <i>A says ă.</i></p>	
Yancy Yak	Zeke Zebra	<p>The rhymes will all be in the September homework packet for you to practice with your child.</p>	