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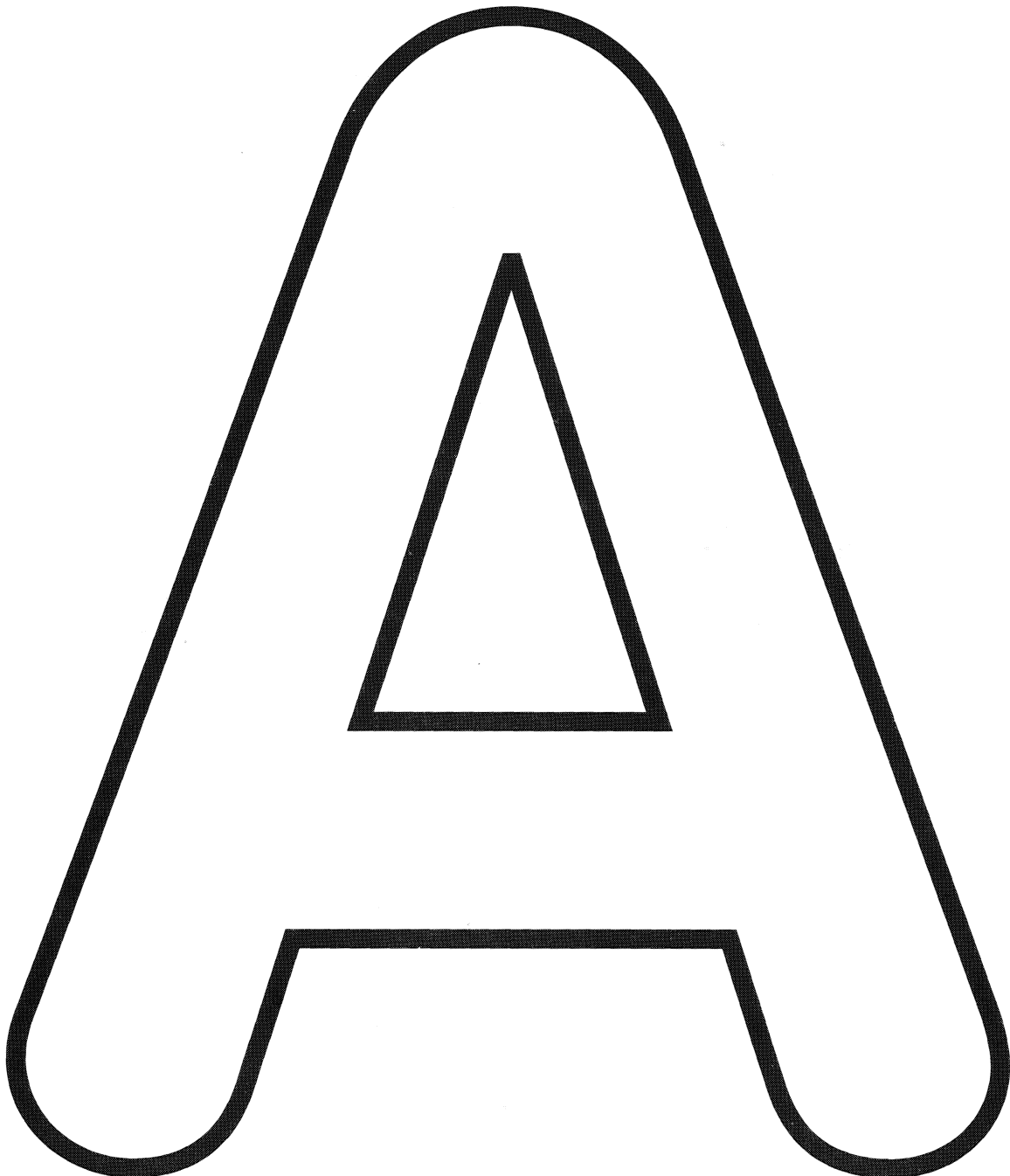
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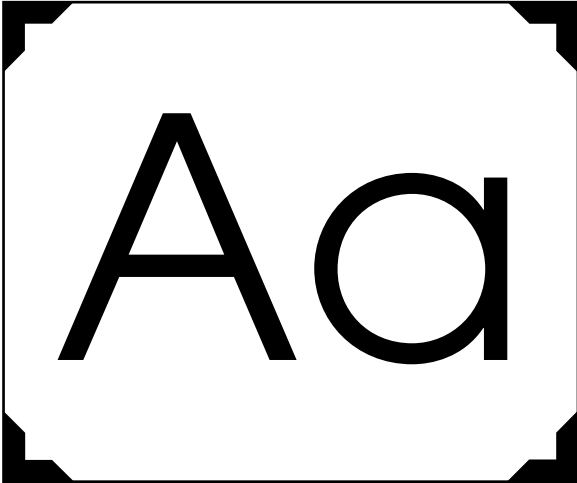
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Letter 'Aa'

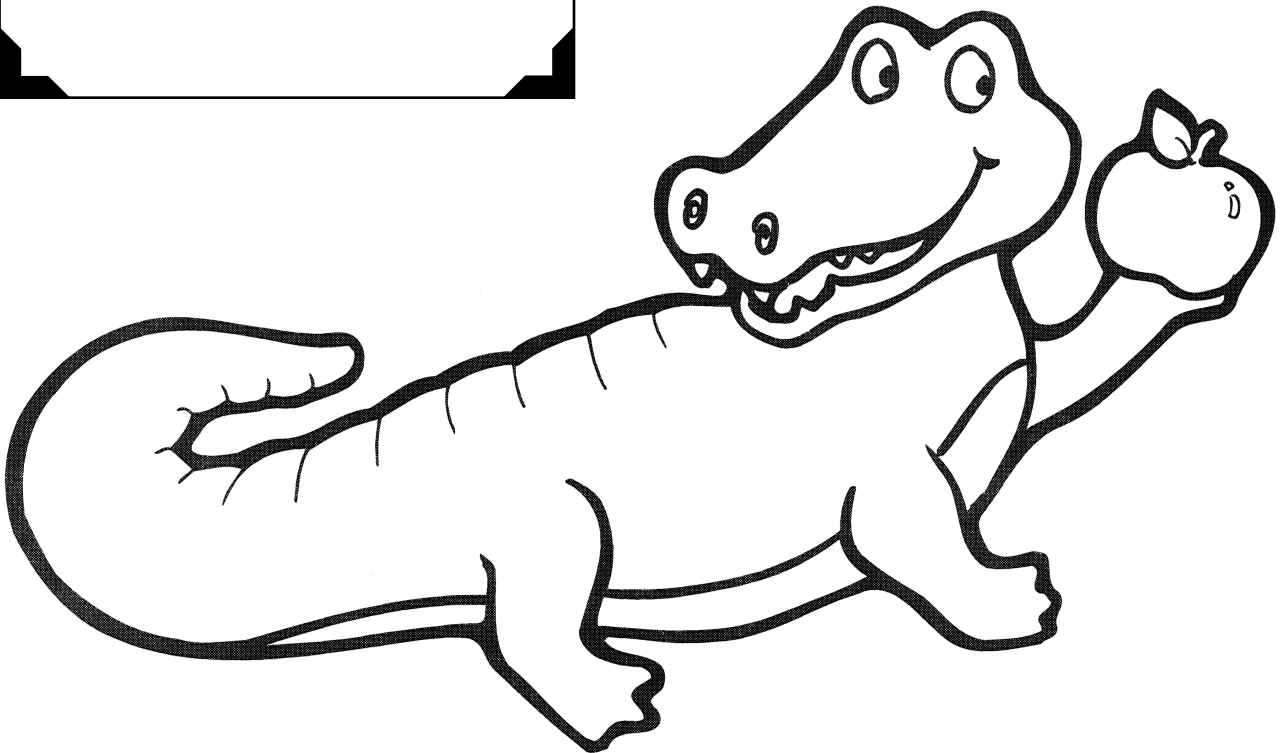
Cut out 'A's from old magazines or newspapers.
Glue them inside the large letter 'A'.





Letter 'Aa'

Colour the alligator and the apple.



Print the uppercase 'A'.

Print the lowercase 'a'.

Name _____

A

A - Vocabulary (emphasising beginning sounds)

Place the following items or pictures of the items in a box or bag. In turn, have each child take one item out of the bag and say what it is.

- aeroplane
- alphabet
- ambulance
- arrow
- accordion
- ant
- apron
- apple
- arm
- address
- animal
- alligator

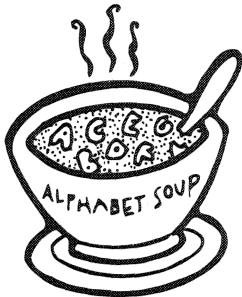
A - Fingerplay/rhyme 'Animal Adventures'

- One little mouse, squeakety, squeak! *(Hold up one finger.)*
 Two little kittens, peekety, peek. *(Make motion of drawing whiskers beside mouth.)*
 Three little puppies, bow-wow-wow! *(Hold up three fingers.)*
 Four little roosters, cock-a-doodle-doo! *(Hold up four fingers.)*
 Five old hens, clack, clack, clack! *(Hold up five fingers.)*
 Six fat ducks, quack, quack, quack. *(Hold up six fingers.)*



A - Picture books (recommended reading)

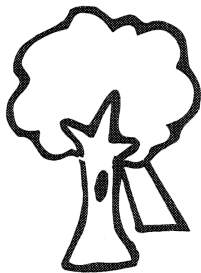
Amelia Bedelia books by Peggy Parish
Arrow to the Sun by Gerald McDermott



Above and around

In order to learn positional or directional concepts, children need to experience those concepts. Let the children crawl AROUND objects in the classroom. Show the children items in the room that are ABOVE their heads.

On the following page is a reproducible stand-up tree and bird. Let each child make a stand-up tree and the bird puppet. Instruct the children to have their birds fly above the trees and around the trees. You can discuss other concepts such as on, off, near, below, next to etc., using the birds and trees.



Alike and different

Provide the children with a multitude of materials that will demonstrate the concepts of alike and different. Here are some examples that you can share with the children that all have an 'alike' and 'different' quality: T.V./box; bluebird/duck; slipper/boot; football/basketball; flashlight/lamp; chair/sofa; ball/balloon; train/bus; spoon/fork; dog/cat; zebra/horse; desk/table; bike/rollerblades etc.

