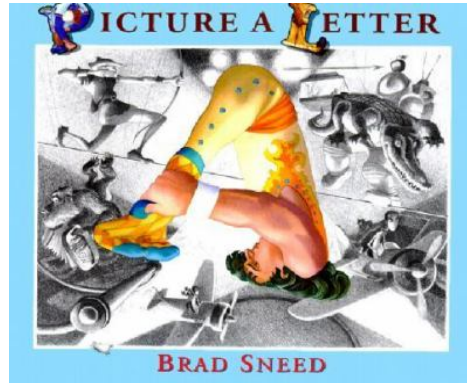


## **Picture a Letter**

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#### **PASS Objectives:**

Standard 2: Evaluate Media – The student will evaluate visual and electronic media, such as film, as compared with print media.

1. Make connections between illustrations and print.

Standard 3: Group Interaction—The student will use effective communication strategies in pairs and small group context.

1. Show respect and consideration for others in verbal and physical communication.
2. Ask and answer questions related to the topic and make contributions in small or large group discussions.

**Supplies:** Paper, pencils, and art supplies, such as crayons, markers, scissors, etc.

**Summary:** *Picture a Letter* is a wordless alphabet book. Students will enjoy this book because it is similar to an *Eye Spy* book and they can identify pictures on each page that start with the corresponding letter.

#### **Activity #1:** Search the Alphabet

1. Break students up into groups with a copy of the book.
2. Assign each group a letter or letters.
3. Students will work together to write down as many items as they can find on their page that start with their letter. (Answers are in the back of the book)
4. You could even make it a competition!

#### **Activity #2:** Alphabet Book

1. Give students paper, pencils, and art supplies to create their own alphabet book.

2. Their book could even have a theme, such as animals.
3. Encourage students to use different art media and supplies to illustrate their book.

**Activity #3:** My Name Starts With...

1. Have students use the first letter of their name to make a picture.
2. For example, in the book *Picture a Letter*, the letter B is a mask on a burglar's face.
3. Encourage creativity! If a student is not able to think of a picture to make with the first letter of their first name, he/she can try the first letter of his/her last name.
4. This would make a great classroom display when completed.

Here are some examples for "My Name Starts With..."

**B:** Letter B becomes a Bee



**S:** Letter S becomes a Snake



**T:** Letter T becomes a Tulip



**M:** Letter M becomes a Monster



**P:** Letter P becomes a Pirate



**O:** Letter O becomes an Octopus



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