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**Discover an alphabet like no other!**

In his first picture book, graphic artist Paul Thurlby presents a stunning alphabet that helps to make the shape of each letter memorable. From an awesome A to a zippy Z, this is the perfect ABC book for the young and hip.

## Paul Thurlby's Alphabet Details

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## From Reader Review Paul Thurlby's Alphabet for online ebook

### Leslie says

I was looking for a good alphabet book (why is it that baby toys only include up to "D"?!!) and I found 2 great ones. Paul Thurlby's book is fun for both of us. Each page has a beautiful illustration of the letter in action. Some of my favorites are: J for jazz has the J as a saxophone being played, K for karate where the K is the body of the martial artist, and Q for quicksand where the letter Q is a person sinking.

The bold colors capture the attention of my 2.5 month old, but the cleverness of it will make it fun when she is actually learning the alphabet.

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### Randie D. Camp, M.S. says

Paul Thurlby has transformed the alphabet into 26 letter characters shaped by items starting with the letter or performing an act starting with that letter. The retro-modern art makes this alphabet book unique.

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### Jon(athan) Nakapalau says

FANTASTIC RETRO ART - I am a big fan!

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### Ryan Dreier says

Paul Thurlby is the Author and Illustrator for this book.

In picking out a book this one grabbed my interest due to it's style and in part the letters were easily identifiable. On the recto side each letter is printed in both uppercase and lowercase, and on the verso page Thurlby illustrates a letter into the word that it represents in a "retro-modern" style. Reminds me of many illustrations that can be purchased on istockphoto. Thurlby does provide notes at the back of the book of how the projects came about and his inspiration.

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### Rachel says

The Paul Thurlby's Alphabet would be a great addition to a collection of alphabet concept books for a K or first grade classroom. The book displays uppercase and lowercase letters as well as a word that starts with the letter. The pages are engaging as well as the illustrations. The letters are shaped like the word that is written which makes for great design!

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### Jessica Harrison says

Review via Cracking the Cover

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The alphabet has so been done. Or has it? There are hundreds of alphabet books available, but none of them are quite like “Paul Thurlby’s Alphabet.”

Thurlby, who is a graphic artist, brings a new look to letters with his bold illustrations. The artist says he’s inspired by mid-century design and illustration, and that definitely shows in what he describes as “retro-modern” work.

A really is for Awesome when it comes to this book. The images are fun and colorful and have a feel of age about them.

Children will appreciate Thurlby’s humor and parents will love the attention to detail. As a special bonus, the book cover unfolds into a poster featuring all the letters. What a great way to learn the alphabet!

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### **Green Bean says**

Paul Thurlby's new ABC book is retro and rad! Old-school sign art honors the timeless 26. "My alphabet needed to be different from the many versions around," said Thurlby, "so I decided to pursue the challenge of fusing the object of the world with the shape of the letter." V is for Viscous and U is for Underground are among our favorites!

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### **Megan says**

So many great prints, I don't know where to start

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### **Edward Sullivan says**

O is for OUTSTANDING!!!

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### **Jennifer says**

Although this alphabet book contains the typical Dog and X-ray, it also surprises with Fierce and Trapeze. Each letter is integrated into the illustrated object or action, and yes, there is a lot of action. Many of the illustrations also have unexpected surprises, like the road sign beside the Island telling how far away the letter J is, or the single leg on the Q as the "missing" leg presumably gets sucked down into Quicksand.

ESL students can benefit from the simplicity and predictability of alphabet books, but many are too old for the frequently chosen items. Thurlby's Alphabet mixes it up with some basics and some surprises. Besides, even elementary school students will find Awesome more useful than Apple when trying to make friends.

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### **Drusilla says**

Pre/k

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### **Christine says**

I debated over 4 stars and 5 stars. I need a 4 1/2 option because I'm not sure this is "amazing" but I personally liked it more than one really. This alphabet book contains some of the usual suspects like "D for Dog" and "X for X-Ray." It also has some less typical choices like "E for Embrace." The accompanying retro-style illustrations are very well done and pretty cool.

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### **Jenny says**

I already know my alphabet but I can't resist a picture book with beautiful illustrations. The author and illustrator put a lot of thought into the word he used for each letter 'fusing the object of the word with the shape of the letter'. For instance, E is for Embrace and the illustration shows two capital E's embracing. Very clever! Give this a look-see the next time your in a bookstore or library.

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### **Sarah says**

eclectic, energetic alphabet book selections (a for awesome! / r for rabbit / y for yoga) linked by mid-century design.

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### **Marie says**

Nostalgic feeling bold print illustrations. New and wide-ranging selection of words. The letter is incorporated in the illustration of the word chosen to represent the letter. I'm not a fan of alphabet books usually, but this is deceptively simple, boldly graphic and original.

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