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Kipper and Arnold are on an alphabet adventure! What can they find for each letter? They find ladybugs for *L*. And toys for *T*. But what begins with *X*? That's a hard one.

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Ilze says

What a brilliant little alphabet book! Some of the alphabet books tend to force the issue, e.g. unable to find something for q or k or x, they make something like "x-ray fish" and you wonder if your child will even know what that is! Mick Inkpen completely circumvents that and *Admits (!)* that writing something with an x is not funny. In addition, he creates continuation by having zebra checking in every now and again ... in typical are-we-there-yet?-style

Beth says

I'm not nuts about the alphabet book genre, but this one is very clever and is actually fun to read out loud. Kipper and Arnold make a little alphabetical bug zoo, the zebra keeps wondering when his turn will come....

Mahera says

Kipper's A to Z is a book by Mick Inkpen. The book is an amazing book for children in reception going into year two. The narrative of the story is about a dog named Kipper who takes his friend Arnold through the Alphabet. Kipper goes through the alphabet naming the letter and giving an example of something which begins with the letter, for example 'A is for ant...B is for box and buzzzzz', this goes all the way to the letter Z. While going through the alphabet Kipper names many animals, objects, and doing words such as 'on' and 'off'. I think this is a great book which gives children an insight into many different animals; this can be linked in with the subject of science. The book also has many pictures, this will help the children identify what the animals look like, it can lead on to a discussion, whereby the teacher can ask the children to describe what the animals look like in the book, this will help the children with their speaking skills. The book uses a lot of colourful pictures, alliteration ('enormous elephant'), and onomatopoeia, these techniques help the child stay engaged.

Mary says

Kipper's A to Z: An Alphabet Adventure by Mick Inkpen. From A to Z, young readers will love this engaging and fun story about Kipper and his friend Arnold, who go exploring to find things that begin with the letters of the alphabet. Along the way Arnold collects little friends and puts them in his box to play with, while their friend Zebra restlessly waits to join the story. The large sized font used throughout the book makes it easy for little fingers to trace the letters of the alphabet as they are reading, and the font emphasis placed on each alphabetical letter addressed by each page, helps readers make a connection between the letter and its spelling. I love that the author included, on each page, words that begin with each of the letters of the alphabet as well. This book is great to help reinforce letters and their sounds.
Target Audience: Preschool-3rd, Beginning readers

Jennifer Hackett says

Tag: Alphabet Book Class 2

Inkpen, Mick. Kipper's A to Z: An Alphabet Adventure (2000). Kipper, a cute brown dog, and a pig, Arnold take an adventure through all letters of the alphabet. Kipper and Arnold name each letter of the alphabet and gives examples of each. Each letter from A to Z is written with both capital and lowercase letters as well as in large print so it stands out to the reader. The illustrations are simple, yet colorful providing images to help associate animals and items with the letters. The author uses the literary elements, alliteration and onomatopoeia which helps to keep the reader engaged throughout the story. Ages 2-6

Erica says

Kipper and his friend Arnold are on an adventure to find things that start with each letter of the alphabet. They find that "I" is for interesting insect inside their box. This insect may be xuyglybuy, because they don't have a xylophone for the "X" page. An impatient zebra shows of frequently but has to wait for his turn at the end. Cited in Through the Eyes of a Child.

Recommended for grades Preschool - Kindergarten

Heila says

There's a cleanness to both the illustrations and text. A refreshing ordinariness that's not at all trite. Just the same way there's a cleanness to the way little kids talk, act and think. For example, sometimes collecting bugs is all there needs to happen in a day to make it a good one. The humor is the same – it rings true to toddler sensibilities. And since little kids can be a riot, it's enjoyable for all ages, too.

Karina says

Kipper and his friend Arnold embark an a journey through the alphabet, with assistance from an ant, lots of ladybirds, squidgy slugs, wriggly worms, - and one persistent zebra, who can't wait for his turn! Gently appealing illustrations and a playful use of text mean that this is a real story as well as an approachable introduction to the alphabet.

Deborah says

Kipper and Arnold are seeking items (mostly in nature) that start with different letters of the alphabet. Zebra pops up here and there asking if it is his turn yet. Some humor and a bit of a story accompany most of the letters although, some letters are simply represented.

Ages 3-5.

Lizeth Velazquez says

Inkpen, Mick. Kipper's A to Z: An Alphabet Adventure (2000). Kipper a dog and Arnold a pig are friends that begin to work through the alphabet to collect animals, insects, or things. Kipper and Arnold try to use a box to place their animals, but with no success. The font is large and larger for the specified letter and name of said animal or insect. The alphabet is presented in a narrative poetic style by using alliteration by using adjectives and verbs for each named animal to emphasize the beginning letter and sound, so repetition is used. This is a great alphabet book for beginning and emergent readers because of the familiar animal pictures. Pre-K-1.

Chelsea says

This book was so cute! Both the story and the pictures were done very well. I loved how with the letter k, the author left room for the children to think up their own words that began with the letter. I also liked how with the letter n, the author mentioned that the word "gnat" did not begin with the letter n. I also liked how the book followed a running theme of insects and how the zebra was mentioned throughout the book.

Heidi-Marie says

I think this is a perfect ABC book to use in the preschool group--as I want there to be a bit more in the story as well as getting the kids to recognize the sounds. Very cute and with some little instances of humor that might not always be caught. It might seem a little long, so I'm considering pausing in the middle of the book to do a song and then continuing.

10/5/10 & 10/7/10 This went very well, even with its length. I did a wiggle song in the middle and the kids were perfectly fine with that. Being in the lobby for the storytimes didn't affect how well the book went. Maybe that's because I love doing our alphabet with the children, and I love Kipper, too.

10/12/10 This went well with both Outreach Preschool groups at the school. They know their letters well, so the added ASL element was nice for them, and they got excited by the story.

10/19/10 & 10/21/10 This went well with both preschool groups. I opted not to use it with the special needs group. Maybe a shorter ABC book with ASL elements would work for them. I would like to try that. But this one's length made me wary to try it.

Nancy Meservier says

In Kipper's A to Z, Kipper and his friend Arnold have an adventure that covers the letters A to Z. Each letter is represented by an element that is introduced into the story, such as Z for Zebra. The author uses simple illustrations with light shading to create depth, which results in some charming illustrations. The letters A to Z are always presented in large font with both capital and lowercase letters. This makes the book a great

resource for teaching children about the alphabet while being entertaining at the same time. Humor is injected throughout the book through the zebra character, who is constantly asking if it is his turn yet to enter the story. The story occasionally calls for interaction from the reader, like when it asks the audience what K could stand for (the answer is, of course Kipper himself)

Recommended for- Preschool

(This review was written for a class)

Amy says

The boys and I read a book every night they're here. This is a favorite.

The boys LOVE Kipper the Dog. And I do too. The Kipper videos we have are gentle, playful, and imaginative. This book is the same with some silly humor thrown in.

Jaime says

Of all the alphabet books out there, this one is the best. My 2-year-old loved it. The characters were charming, the illustrations simple and attractive, the prose were catchy and fun, and all-in-all I didn't mind reading this book 100 times. And while my daughter already knew most of her letters, this book really solidified the capital letters, taught her the lowercase letters and conceptually she understood that letters make sounds and that those sounds put together make words. Great little book. :)
