

Introduction

Turn & Learn The Alphabet is a collection of hands-on, self-checking, standards-based skill cards. Use the cards to provide extended practice and reinforcement of information previously taught. Choose from multiple cards with varying skill levels to provide valuable differentiation for your students. Research indicates that a successful classroom teacher employs a variety of methods in her teaching and reinforcement of skills—including providing students with intellectual challenges and offering hands-on learning opportunities. The skill cards provide:

- a fun, interactive way for students to independently practice early literacy skills
- standards-based content and differentiated skill levels
- a self-check feature that encourages students to gauge their own learning

How to Use

Remove the skill cards from the book and laminate them for durability. Make copies of the student answer sheet located on the inside back cover. Before making cards and answer sheets available for use, model the steps for completing the activity and using the self-checking feature.

1. Write name, date, and card number at the top of the student answer sheet.
2. Locate and read the skill being practiced and the directions at the top of the card.
3. Use paperclips or clothespins to attach the student answer sheet to the back of the skill card.
4. Write the answers in the open windows.
5. Turn & Learn! Turn the card over to compare answers with those printed on the back of the card.

Helpful Tips

- Make multiple copies of the student answer sheet and store them with the skill cards.
- Place cards at a learning center after introducing a specific skill to the class.
- Assign cards to students in need of extra practice or enrichment.
- Remind students to turn the card over just as they would turn the page in a book.
- Have students resecure the skill card to their answer sheet before they check their answers.
- Encourage students to celebrate their correct answers by marking the box on their answer sheets with a star and to examine and learn from their mistakes.
- Store cards by the skills found in each book in color-coded or labeled file folders, or in plastic sheet protectors kept in a three-ring notebook.
- Keep the cards in a location that is easily accessible to students, volunteers, and parent helpers.

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Lowercase Letters

→ Write the matching lowercase letter.

M

S

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B

R

P

A

W

Y

F

E

J

SAMPLE

How Did You Do? → Check your answers.

M

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a

W

w

Y

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F

f

E

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J

j

SAMPLE

Name _____

Date _____

Turn & Learn Student Answer Sheet

The Alphabet Card # _____

SAMPLE