

Lesson 2

Letter Name and Sound Instruction

Hand-Clapping Game for a

Materials: Large alphabet picture card of a

Using the large alphabet picture card of the letter a, review the name and sound of a. Remember, we are using only short vowel sounds, as in *apple*. Here is a jingle you can teach the children to help them remember the sound for a:

a a
What begins with a?
Ask an ant and an apple.
What begins with a?

The children might enjoy using the jingle with a Hand-Clapping Game. The game is as follows, with a clap on every syllable:

<u>a</u>	clap hands on thighs
<u>a</u>	clap hands together
What	clap hands on thighs
be	clap hands together
gins	clap hands on thighs
with	clap hands together
<u>a</u>?	clap hands on thighs
Ask	clap hands together
an	clap hands on thighs
ant	clap hands together
and	clap hands on thighs
an	clap hands together
ap	clap hands on thighs
ple.	clap hands together
What	clap hands on thighs
be	clap hands together
gins	clap hands on thighs
with	clap hands together
<u>a</u>?	clap hands on thighs

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