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TEACHERS CAN ALSO COPY THE LETTER PATTERNS BELOW ON THEIR "CHALKBOARD" FOR CLASSROOM PRACTICE

HOW TO USE THE ALPHABET LETTER MEMORIZING TECHNIQUE

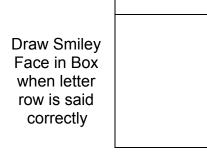
STEP 1 - Tell student(s) the name of the letters below and have him/her trace over the "dotted" practice letter while saying the letter name repeatedly.

STEP 2 - Have the student begin saying the 30 letters above the boxes below. If an error is made the student must then start over again.

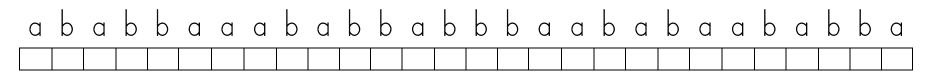
STEP 3 - Once the student can say all letters in the row correctly – you can advance to the next section (which introduces letter "c").

Reading	Writing
a	

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Place a mark under the 1st letter said incorrectly for monitoring progress and motivating student to "beat" the error on next attempt. Move to the next page only when all letters in the row are said without error. If more motivation is needed try "timing" student.



Use this "timing strategy" only if student hesitates significantly when saying letters above – Fill in with line to fastest time. 15 seconds = mastery 50 45 40 35 30 29 28 27 26 25 24 23 22 21 20 19 18 17 16 15