

Jolly Phonics Alphabet and Actions

Here are the alphabet letters in the order that I am introducing them to your child in Kindergarten. Most of the letters are the same **action** in English and in French. I have indicated the differences by bold letters.

- s** snake/serpent Weave hand in an s shape, like a snake, and say Sss.
- a** acrobat/acrobate Turn hands above head like an acrobat falling backward and say a, a, a.
- t** tennis/tennis Turn head from side to side as if watching tennis and say t, t, t.
- m** mmm/manger Rub tummy as if seeing tasty food and say Mmm.
- i** **ink**/souris Pretend to be a mouse by wiggling fingers at end of nose and squeak i, i, i.
- l** lick/lèche Pretend to lick and envelope or lollipop and say l, l, l.
- c k** castanet/castagnette Raise hands and snap fingers as if playing castanets and say ck, ck, ck.
- e** me/je Point to yourself and say je, e, e, e. In English say me, e, e e.
- n** no/non Turn head and make a sign with your finger pretending to say no, n, n, n.
- r** roar/rugir Pretend you are a lion roaring r, r, r.
- d** down/descendre Raise arms high and pretend to come down stairs moving fingers and say d, d, d.
- o** ocean/océan Move hand in circular movement like waves in the ocean and say o, o, o.
- p** puddle/pluie Move fingers like rain coming down making a puddle and say p, p, p.
- u** /pu Pinch your nose and say u, u, u, pretending there is a bad odour.
- g** gurgle/glougloute Spiral hand down, as if water going down the drain, and say g, g, g.
- f** freeze/froid Rub hands and arms pretending to be freezing and say f, f, f.

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- b** bat/baton Pretend to hit a ball with a bat and say b, b, b.
- j** juggle/jongler Pretend to be juggling balls and say j, j, j.
- qu** quack/caqueter Make a duck's beak with your hands and say qu, qu, qu.
- v** van/voiture Pretend to be holding the steering wheel of a van and say
v, v, v.
- z** zigzag/zigzag Move hands doing zigzags pretending to be a bee and
say z, z, z.
- y** yogurt/yaourt Pretend to be eating a yogurt and say y, y, y.
- x** x-ray/rayon-x Pretend to take an x-ray of someone with a camera and
say xs, xs, xs.
- h** huff/haleine Hold hands in front of mouth panting as if you are out of
breath and say h, h, h in English. **Do not say anything in French.**
- w** wagon/wagon Pretend to pull a wagon and say w, w, w.