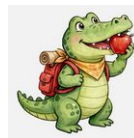


Alphabet Animal Adventures Across America: Character Descriptions

Every character, A to Z

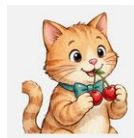
Olivia Weisman and Loren Weisman created every character in this book and first wrote these descriptions for a graphic designer or illustrator. When several attempts with designers did not work out and the prices were more than they were prepared to pay, they uploaded the same descriptions to MyStoryBot, an AI illustration tool. They then corrected anything that came back missing or slightly off. The book took three and a half years from the first idea to publication, and MyStoryBot sped up one of the final stages: illustrating and laying out the pages. These sheets share the descriptions and words they wanted on each page. On a couple of pages, a few elements that were not in the original descriptions were kept. Each description follows the same seven numbered lines: body, face, what it wears, what it holds, any additional detail, its action on the page, and the page text.



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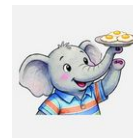
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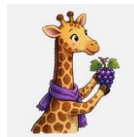
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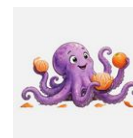
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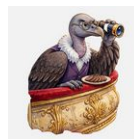
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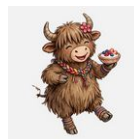
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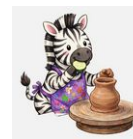
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A. Arnie the Alert Alligator



1. **Body:** A green alligator with darker green spots, a long tail and a pale yellow green belly. He stands up on his two back legs.
2. **Face:** Round brown eyes, a rosy pink cheek and a wide, happy grin full of small white teeth.
3. **Wearing:** A yellow bandana knotted at his neck, and a red backpack with a rolled tan bedroll on top.
4. **Holding:** A shiny red apple, held up to his mouth.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He bites into the apple with a big smile, one hand on his backpack strap.
7. **Page text:** *"Alert and adventurous, Arnie the Alligator ate appetizing apples in Atlanta, Georgia. Next, each exhibit at a big aquarium amazed him!"*

B. Bertram the Bashful Bear



1. **Body:** A soft, furry brown bear with round ears, sitting with his back legs stretched out in front of him.
2. **Face:** Eyes closed in a shy, peaceful smile, a rosy pink cheek, a light tan muzzle and a round dark brown nose.
3. **Wearing:** A chunky blue knit sweater and a long blue scarf wrapped around his neck.
4. **Holding:** Blueberries up to his mouth in one paw, and a wicker basket of blueberries on his lap.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He enjoys the blueberries with his eyes closed.
7. **Page text:** *"Bertram the Bashful Bear bit into breathtaking blueberries in Boston, Massachusetts. As he ate, beautiful swan boats glided toward him on a public garden pond."*

C. Chester the Cheerful Cat



1. **Body:** An orange tabby cat with darker orange stripes and a cream muzzle, chest and paws.
2. **Face:** Big brown eyes, ears with pink inside, a cute little upside down triangle nose in pink, whiskers, rosy pink cheeks and an open smile.
3. **Wearing:** A blue green bow tie on a collar.
4. **Holding:** A pair of red cherries joined by their stems, a cherry in each paw.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He holds the cherry stems in his mouth and grins around them.
7. **Page text:** *"In Chattanooga, Tennessee, Chester the Cheerful Cat chomped charming cherries. Moments later, he found restored train cars at a grand station, and they kept him captivated!"*

D. Daniel the Dreamy Duck



1. **Body:** A pale yellow duck with fluffy feathers, a little tuft peeking out from under his cap, and wings he uses like hands.
2. **Face:** Eyes squeezed shut with joy, rosy pink cheeks and a wide open orange bill.
3. **Wearing:** A green cap tipped back on his head.
4. **Holding:** A donut with pink frosting and rainbow sprinkles, held in both wings.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He takes a big, happy bite out of the donut.
7. **Page text:** *"Delicious donuts in Denver, Colorado! Daniel the Dreamy Duck devoured them. Driven to try every sweet, he set off on a candy factory tour."*

E. Elijah the Energetic Elephant



1. **Body:** A gray elephant with big, floppy ears, a long trunk and a little tuft of hair on top of his head.
2. **Face:** Round black eyes, a rosy pink cheek and a big open smile.
3. **Wearing:** A short sleeved polo shirt with colorful stripes.
4. **Holding:** A plate of sunny side up eggs, balanced on the curled tip of his trunk.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He lifts the plate high on his trunk, with one hand raised beside it.
7. **Page text:** *"In El Paso, Texas, Elijah the Energetic Elephant enjoyed enticing eggs. Excited after breakfast, he explored every floor of a children's museum."*

F. Frank the Fancy Fox



1. **Body:** An orange fox with a white muzzle and belly, a little tuft of fur on top of his head, a big bushy tail with a white tip, and dark brown paws.
2. **Face:** Tall pointed ears, eyes closed as he laughs, rosy pink cheeks, a round dark brown nose and an open smile.
3. **Wearing:** A green vest.
4. **Holding:** A tan french fry holder full of golden yellow fries, in both paws.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He laughs as he eats, with one fry in his mouth.
7. **Page text:** *"Frolicking past colorful painted murals at a zoo, Frank the Fancy Fox got hungry. So he feasted on fabulous french fries in Fargo, North Dakota."*

G. George the Generous Giraffe



1. **Body:** A tan giraffe with brown patches, a very long neck and a short brown mane.
2. **Face:** Two horns, big dark eyes, a rosy pink cheek and a gentle smile.
3. **Wearing:** A purple scarf wrapped around his neck.
4. **Holding:** A bunch of shiny purple grapes on the vine, in both hooves.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He holds the grapes up in front of him, ready to eat.
7. **Page text:** *"George the Generous Giraffe gobbled glorious grapes in Grand Rapids, Michigan. What slipped past him next, behind the glass in a zoo? A colony of gorgeous penguins!"*

H. Homer the Humble Hippopotamus



1. **Body:** A gray hippopotamus with a big round belly and short, thick legs.
2. **Face:** Eyes closed and happy, a wide muzzle and a big open smile.
3. **Wearing:** A straw hat, and cream swim trunks covered in pink hibiscus flowers.
4. **Holding:** None.
5. **Additional detail:** Next to him, a cheeseburger on brown paper.
6. **Action:** He lies back, full and happy, with one hand resting on his round belly.
7. **Page text:** *"Humble and happy, Homer the Hippopotamus had heavenly hamburgers in Honolulu, Hawaii. Stuffed, he sat for hours in the warm sand on a beach."*

I. Isabella the Incredible Iguana



1. **Body:** A green iguana with a row of spikes down her back and tail, and a pale yellow green belly.
2. **Face:** Big round blue eyes, blue green spots on her cheek, a pink blush and an open smile with a long pink tongue.
3. **Wearing:** Big round blue glasses, and a straw sun hat with a pink flower on the brim.
4. **Holding:** A waffle cone of strawberry and vanilla ice cream, held in one hand, its tip resting on a small cone stand.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** She stretches out her long tongue to lick the ice cream.
7. **Page text:** *"In Indianapolis, Indiana, Isabella the Incredible Iguana licked inviting ice cream. Later she counted the creatures at an impressive zoo, all of them!"*

J. Jerry the Jolly Jellyfish



1. **Body:** A pink jellyfish with a round, shiny head and long, wavy tentacles reaching out in every direction.
2. **Face:** Dark oval eyes, rosy pink cheeks and a wide open smile.
3. **Wearing:** None.
4. **Holding:** Shiny jelly beans at the tips of some of his tentacles.
5. **Additional detail:** Around him, more jelly beans fly in a circle, as if he is juggling them.
6. **Action:** He juggles the jelly beans, catching some and tossing others.
7. **Page text:** *"Juicy jelly beans in Jamestown, Virginia! Jerry the Jolly Jellyfish juggled them. Joyful and still juggling, he floated to a riverside fort and learned about its history."*

K. Kathy the Kind Koala



1. Body: A soft gray koala with big, fluffy round ears, a little ruffle of fur on top of her head, and a white chest.

2. Face: An oval, shiny black nose, brown eyes, rosy pink cheeks and an open, happy smile.

3. Wearing: A light green apron with two little pink bows on its straps.

4. Holding: Half a kiwi, bright green with tiny black seeds, in one paw, and a small green piece in the other.

5. Additional detail: None.

6. Action: She smiles, ready to taste the kiwi.

7. Page text: *"Kathy the Kind Koala tasted kiwi with a kick in Kansas City, Missouri. She met a lot of kids at a science center after that, and felt so knowledgeable!"*

L. Larry the Loving Lion



- 1. Body:** A golden lion with a big, shaggy mane and a long tail with a tufted tip.
- 2. Face:** Shining brown eyes, a rosy pink nose, a pink blush and a wide open smile.
- 3. Wearing:** None.
- 4. Holding:** A tall glass of lemonade with a lemon slice and a striped straw, in both paws.
- 5. Additional detail:** Riding a white carousel horse with a brown saddle and a blue saddle blanket with gold trim, on a gold carousel pole.
- 6. Action:** He rides the carousel with a big smile, lemonade in hand.
- 7. Page text:** *"On a painted carousel, Larry the Loving Lion lapped lip-smacking lemonade. Laughing all the while in Los Angeles, California, he spun round and round!"*

M. Matthew the Mindful Monkey



1. **Body:** A brown monkey with shaggy fur and a cream fringe of fur around his face.
2. **Face:** A soft peach pink face, a rosy pink cheek, big brown eyes looking up and a small closed mouth.
3. **Wearing:** A blue denim vest over a green checked shirt.
4. **Holding:** A big yellow bowl full of macaroni and cheese, in both hands.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He looks up, wondering, as he holds his macaroni.
7. **Page text:** *"Matthew the Mindful Monkey munched mouthwatering macaroni in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Soon, looking up in a museum by a lake, he saw majestic collections."*

N. Nathan the Neighborly Narwhal



1. **Body:** A gray narwhal with darker gray spots, a pale belly and flippers he uses like arms.
2. **Face:** A long spiral tusk, dark eyes, rosy pink cheeks and a big open smile.
3. **Wearing:** A red knit beanie with a big pom-pom, and gray ice skates.
4. **Holding:** A takeout box full of steaming noodles, in both flippers.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He glides on one skate with the other leg stretched back, carrying his noodles.
7. **Page text:** *"Neighborly and nimble, Nathan the Narwhal nibbled nourishing noodles in New York City, New York. Afterwards, he went skating on the winter ice in a great park."*

O. Oliver the Obedient Octopus



1. **Body:** A purple octopus with a spotted head and curling arms lined with suckers.
2. **Face:** Big eyes, rosy pink cheeks with little freckles and a happy open smile.
3. **Wearing:** None.
4. **Holding:** A whole orange held high in one arm, and half peeled oranges in other arms.
5. **Additional detail:** Around him, curls of orange peel lie on the floor.
6. **Action:** He peels the orange carefully, smiling as he works.
7. **Page text:** *"In Orlando, Florida, Oliver the Obedient Octopus peeled opulent oranges. Overjoyed, he wandered into a dinosaur hall and stood beneath the bones."*

P. Peter the Polite Penguin



- 1. Body:** A black and white penguin with a white face and round belly, a small tuft on top of his head and orange feet.
- 2. Face:** Round black eyes, rosy pink cheeks and an open orange beak in a big smile.
- 3. Wearing:** A red bow tie.
- 4. Holding:** A plate of fluffy pancakes covered in syrup, in both flippers.
- 5. Additional detail:** None.
- 6. Action:** He sits with his orange feet out in front of him, ready to eat.
- 7. Page text:** *"At an indoor playground in Portland, Oregon, Peter the Polite Penguin polished off plump pancakes. Playful and full, he climbed up high and slid down again and again."*

Q. Quincy the Questioning Quail



1. **Body:** A round brown quail covered in little spots, with a curled dark feather on top of her head.
2. **Face:** A big dark eye, a white throat band and a beak open in a smile.
3. **Wearing:** None.
4. **Holding:** None.
5. **Additional detail:** With her are her small bird friends, two brown sparrows and a gray chickadee. In front of them are quesadilla wedges to share.
6. **Action:** She stands with her friends around the quesadillas, ready to share.
7. **Page text:** *"Quincy the Questioning Quail shared some quirky quesadillas in Queen Creek, Arizona, with her friends. Afterwards, they all headed to an orchard and picked enough peaches to fill all their baskets."*

R. Roger the Rebellious Raccoon



1. **Body:** A gray raccoon with shaggy fur, a long bushy tail ringed in black and gray, and dark paws, standing up on his back legs.
2. **Face:** A black mask across his eyes, a white muzzle, dark shining eyes and a round black nose.
3. **Wearing:** A straw hat tipped to one side.
4. **Holding:** A small bunch of raisins up to his mouth, in one paw.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He nibbles the raisins, enjoying every one.
7. **Page text:** *"In Raleigh, North Carolina, Roger the Rebellious Raccoon relished remarkable raisins. Relaxed and well fed, he strolled to an old mill and wondered about the olden days."*

S. Simon the Selfless Snake



1. **Body:** A long green snake with darker green scales and arms and hands, coiled around a wooden stool.
2. **Face:** Eyes closed in a calm, happy smile.
3. **Wearing:** None.
4. **Holding:** A bouquet of colorful flowers, wrapped in brown paper and tied with string.
5. **Additional detail:** Next to him, a plate of grilled salmon with a lemon slice.
6. **Action:** He breathes in the sweet smell of his flowers.
7. **Page text:** *"Sniffing sweet flowers at a busy public market, Simon the Selfless Snake took in all the scents and sounds. Then he savored spectacular salmon in Seattle, Washington."*

T. Thomas the Thankful Turtle



1. **Body:** A green turtle with a patterned dark green shell and a tan belly shell.
2. **Face:** Big round green eyes and a wide open smile.
3. **Wearing:** Blue green sneakers.
4. **Holding:** A taco with a bite taken out, held high in one hand.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He slides feet first down a silver slide, waving his other hand in the air.
7. **Page text:** *"Thomas the Thankful Turtle tried tasty tacos in Tulsa, Oklahoma. After lunch, he whooshed down every twisty slide in a riverside park, trying them all!"*

U. Unique the Understanding Unicorn



1. **Body:** A white unicorn with a golden spiral horn and a soft rainbow mane and tail.
2. **Face:** Eyes closed, rosy pink cheeks and a happy smile.
3. **Wearing:** None.
4. **Holding:** A bowl of udon noodles and a pair of chopsticks.
5. **Additional detail:** Riding a green wooden farm wagon filled with hay.
6. **Action:** She slurps a long mouthful of noodles.
7. **Page text:** *"In Urbandale, Iowa, Unique the Understanding Unicorn slurped unassuming udon. Unafraid, she then rode a tractor cart around an old country farm."*

V. Vincent the Vain Vulture



1. **Body:** A vulture with dark brown wings, a bald gray head, a pinkish purple neck and a collar of white feathers around his shoulders.
2. **Face:** Small round gold glasses, a serious look and a big hooked beak.
3. **Wearing:** A purple vest.
4. **Holding:** A small blue and gold spyglass held up to one eye.
5. **Additional detail:** Next to him, a plate of sliced venison on the red velvet rail of an opera box marked with a V.
6. **Action:** He watches the show through his spyglass.
7. **Page text:** *"Vain but vibrant, Vincent the Vulture sampled valuable venison in Vergennes, Vermont. That evening, from the red velvet seats at an opera house, he watched a show."*

W. William Wyatt Winston the Witty Walrus



1. **Body:** A big brown walrus with wrinkly skin and flippers for hands and feet.
2. **Face:** Long white tusks, bristly whiskers, small black eyes and an open, happy smile.
3. **Wearing:** A blue knit headband, a blue and white striped turtleneck sweater and brown roller skates.
4. **Holding:** A plate of golden waffles dripping with syrup, in one flipper.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** He rolls on one skate with the other leg lifted out to the side, his free flipper out for balance.
7. **Page text:** *"William Wyatt Winston, the Witty Walrus, wolfed warm waffles in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Worried at a roller rink later, he was a little wobbly on his skates."*

X. Xavier the Xenial Xenops



1. **Body:** A small brown bird with a bright red crest and long tail feathers.
2. **Face:** Big black eyes, a rosy pink cheek and a beak open in a smile.
3. **Wearing:** None.
4. **Holding:** A wooden tray with bowls of rice, each topped with a big pink shrimp.
5. **Additional detail:** With him are his neighbors, a gray squirrel and a bunny.
6. **Action:** He carries the tray carefully, ready to share with his neighbors.
7. **Page text:** *"Xtra good xia mi! Xavier the Xenial Xenops ate it at home. Hospitable, he shared some with neighbors in Xenia, Ohio, a city whose name means hospitality."*

Y. Yvonne the Youthful Yak



1. **Body:** A shaggy brown yak with long fur and curved horns.
2. **Face:** A long fringe of fur over her closed eyes, rosy pink cheeks, a peach muzzle and a wide open smile.
3. **Wearing:** A pink flower by one horn, a braided rainbow necklace with colorful tassels, and colorful bands on her wrist and legs.
4. **Holding:** A bowl of yogurt topped with berries.
5. **Additional detail:** With her are her friends, a little bird, a green snake and a turtle with a backpack.
6. **Action:** She dances on one leg, smiling.
7. **Page text:** *"In a city full of sunshine, Yvonne the Youthful Yak spooned yummy yogurt. Yapping away in Yuma, Arizona, she set down her spoon, twirled and danced with friends!"*

Z. Zeebee the Zealous Zebra



1. **Body:** A zebra with bold black and white stripes and a spiky black mane.
2. **Face:** Black eyes, rosy pink cheeks and a happy smile.
3. **Wearing:** A purple apron covered in colorful flowers.
4. **Holding:** A slice of zucchini at her mouth in one hand, and her other hand, covered in clay, at the rim of a pot on a pottery wheel.
5. **Additional detail:** None.
6. **Action:** She crunches the zucchini as she shapes her pot on the wheel.
7. **Page text:** *"Making funny shapes at a pottery wheel, Zeebee the Zealous Zebra stopped to crunch zesty zucchini. Zany as can be, she had quite a day in Zanesville, Ohio!"*