

# Timer ABC's

## Concept

This activity helps children build speed in naming the letters.

## Preparation

- Find a timer or a clock with a second hand.

## Lesson

1. Tell the children that you are going to see if they can name the letters quickly.
2. Say the alphabet together. (You can say it along with the children if they are just beginning to learn, or let them say it without you if they are comfortable doing so.)
3. Tell them how much time it took. Say that you will do it again, but faster.
4. Try again at a faster pace.
5. Keep trying to say the alphabet faster until you get to the quickest speed that the children can do.
6. Have fun with this activity!

## Extension Ideas

- During times when you are transitioning from one activity to the next, see if the children can say the ABC's while they clean up or move to the next activity.
- When you are playing outside, have an ABC race. Ask the children to run and say the ABC's at the same time.