



## Basket of Letters

Gather letter magnets, tiles, or letters written on small pieces of paper, into a basket or container. Tell children that they're going to pretend that each letter is an apple that they can pick from the basket. Have children select a letter and name it. Sing this rhyme:

*Pick an apple,  
Nice and round,  
See the letter,  
Say its name and its sound!*

Once they name the letter, they can move on to whatever you are transitioning to or pass the basket to the next child.

### Teach Letter Names and Sounds

"Hmm, I'll give you a hint. It says /b/."

"It looks a lot like an 'O' but look closely. It has a little tail. Do you remember what sound that makes?"