

Alphabet Book for Young Citizens



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Now that you've read these ABCs,

what kind of citizen will you be?

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Dear readers,

If you study your letters, you will see that one aspect of citizenship is responsibility.

And if you pay close attention, I am guessing you might discover that citizens have more than one right.

Privileges are special.

These you must earn.

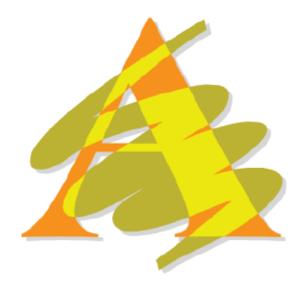
They are given to good citizens.

This you will learn.

Let's start with letter A, Then B and C and end with letters X, then Y and Z.

Rights and privileges, responsibilities. If you exercise all three, you will help keep us free.

Let's read *The Alphabet Book for Young Citizens* then see if you can figure out which of the letters help describe rights, which help describe privileges, and which help describe responsibilities.



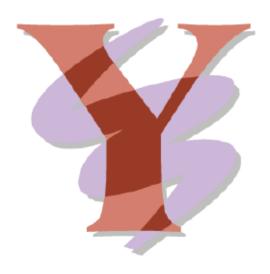


Attend school.

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Zzzzzzzzzzzzzz (sleep).

Right Responsibility Privilege Right Responsibility Privilege





Yearn for spring break.

Borrow books from the library.

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Cooperate with others.

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eXtra computer time.

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Watch TV.

Drive a car.

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Eat lunch.

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Vote in elections.

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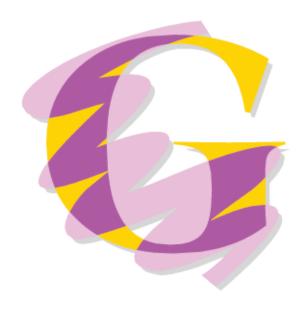




Use the electric pencil sharpener.

Finish my homework.

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Go to recess.

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Take care of myself.

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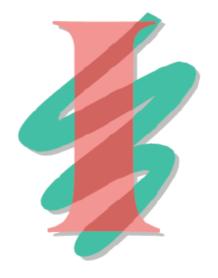


Speak freely.

Help others.

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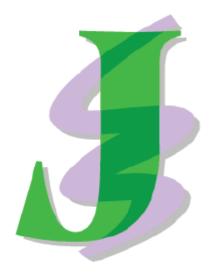


Invite friends to your party.

Respect the property of others.

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Question others.

Join a club or a team.

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Keep my workspace clean.

Practice my religion.

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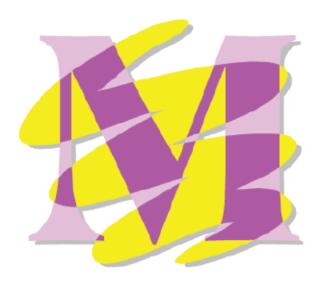




Obey the law.

Listen to those in positions of authority.

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Make my opinions known to elected officials.

Name your class pet.

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