Resource: ABC Chant

Purpose:

Extend oral vocabulary into alphabet concepts

• Use learned vocabulary to practice letter recognition

Materials Needed:

Word cards with word written first and then picture of word



grasshopper



Letter cards with capital and lower case letter pair



Procedure:

To Prepare:

- Create word and letter cards
- Laminate cards

In class

- Distribute word cards to students
- Ask students to "read" their word to a friend
- Ask students to place their fingers on the first letter of the word and tell their friend the name of the first letter
- Teacher: hold up a letter card and say the chart:
 - Capital G, lowercase g, what begins with g?
- Child who has the word card with the stated letter brings it to the front, shows it to the class, and reads the word
- Everyone chants:
 - o Capital G, lowercase g, what begins with g?
 - o Grasshopper in the garden, g, g, g,.
- Continue with other words

(NOTE: You do not need to have a word for every letter in the alphabet. The objective of this activity is to use the vocabulary you are teaching.)

After children know the chant

 Place the word and letter cards in an independent center and children can do this activity by themselves or with a partner

NOTE: Word cards can also be placed in the writing center to support children's writing



