

Today we have been learning 'a'.

**Picture and action**

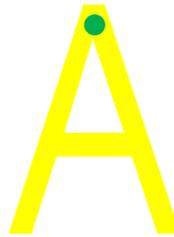


Wiggle fingers along arm as if ants are crawling on you, saying 'a, a, a'.

**Letter formation** (lower case and capital letter)



Make a curve, go up to the top, come back down and flick.



Slope to the left. Lift back to the top. Slope. Lift. Across in the middle.

**Word List** (Sound these words out for your child. Can they hear each sound you are saying?)

ant  
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pan  
• • •

man  
• • •

back  
• • —

cat  
• • •

lad  
• • •

**Sentence** (Please read the sentence to your child a few times using your finger as a 'reading finger' to point to each word. Can they repeat it back to you? 'Tricky words' are words which cannot be sounded out are highlighted in red.)

**The** lad had a cat.

**The** ant is on **the** cat.

A man had a pan.