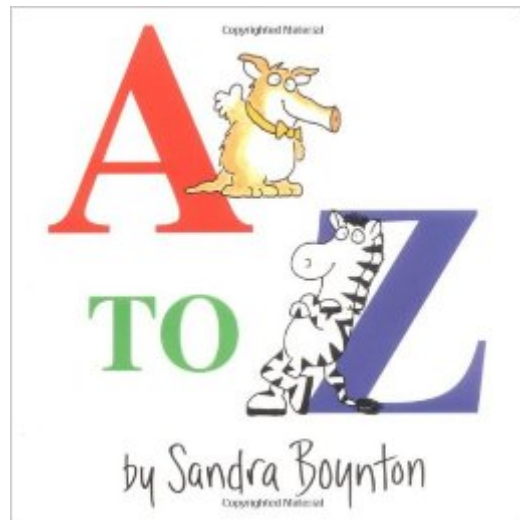


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# A To Z



## Synopsis

From A to Z, the alphabet gets a seriously silly twist in this Sandra Boynton classic. Serious silliness for all ages. Artist Sandra Boynton is back and better than ever with completely redrawn versions of her multi-million selling board books. These whimsical and hilarious books, featuring nontraditional texts and her famous animal characters, have been printed on thick board pages, and are sure to educate and entertain children of all ages.

## Book Information

Board book: 14 pages

Publisher: Little Simon (October 11, 1984)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 5.8 x 0.5 x 5.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 4.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (96 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #14,391 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #38 in [Books > Children's Books >](#)

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Age Range: 1 - 5 years

Grade Level: [Preschool - Kindergarten](#)

## Customer Reviews

A to Z has a big problem in my opinion. It is a very simple children's book with some very cute illustrations of animals (A to Z). Each animal is engaged in an action that also begins with the first letter of it's name (e.g. Kangaroos Kissing). There are lots of made up animals, I'm assuming to account for the rarity of animals beginning with "Q" and "X" etc. The part that I don't like is the fictitious "Uglybirds" whose action is simply "Being Ugly". The illustration that goes along with this so-called ugliness is very disturbing. The "Uglybirds" have atypical bird features that seem intentional. They are green and purple, and have messed up feathers and big bulging eyes and are very "Different" from the "normal" birds in this and other books. Upon reading this, my wife and I agreed that we would never repeat this section while reading to our daughter. Although I do intend on teaching my daughter about ugliness (Racism, Violence, contempt, etc.). I think that it is a quality that shouldn't be used to describe physical appearance. When my daughter encounters a person who is physically unusual, I hope that I have instilled in her the values to disregard what others

might find "Ugly". I know that some might think that I'm overanalyzing such an innocent entry in a child's book, I think that parents need to be more careful about the messages that they are sending about ugliness.

A to Z is my favorite alphabet book that I've found so far! It seems that so many alphabet books are boring, and since my daughter wants to read books all the time I needed one that I wouldn't mind reading. While some think that the "Ugly birds being Ugly" is offensive/lame/not appropriate, I think it makes the book for me! I don't want another alphabet book that has "umbrella" for the letter "u". I want a book that is more unique and funny. I used it as an opportunity to teach my daughter that just because something may be ugly doesn't mean it's bad. Thank you, Sandra Boynton for another funny book!

We have five other Sandra Boynton books that are read often in our home, but this one is my absolute favorite! There is a large, easy to read depiction of each letter and a couple words that start with the letter (Q= quails quacking). It's very funny and both my kids love it!

It's a cute book that goes through the alphabet with different animals. There were a couple letters that I thought were ridiculous and didn't make sense, but the rest are sweet, some are funny. The book is small enough for my toddler to hold and turn the pages. Durable for how rough she can be on her toys, too. It will be great for when she starts to learn the alphabet. It's a nice way to start getting her familiar with their shapes and sounds.

Do you love Sandra Boynton as much as I do? I think this woman has the greatest sense of humor. Her animals are wonderfully drawn, and her sayings are clever. I have a cup with a Sandra Boynton critter on it, and the words under the picture say "I love your fuzzy little heart." Now, don't you have to love an artist with that kind of humor? AND I love my little mug, too.

Your little one will enjoy this Sandra Boynton book. Having exposure to the alphabet, letter recognition and their sounds while having fun is always a good thing. My sons started to read before starting school.

A to Z is not my favorite Sandra Boynton book. It's got cute illustrations like all her other books, but overall it's not that great. Every letter is represented by an animal & a verb (i.e. 'elephants eating')

'iguanas itching', except for the letter 'u'. My problem isn't necessarily that she uses the phrase 'ugly birds being ugly', but that there is more to that letter than all the other letters. This makes the book flow poorly in my opinion. It's not a bad book, but I'm guessing there are better alphabet books out there.

My daughter loved all of Sandra Boynton's books when she was young. The adults who read to her, especially her grandparents, loved the whimsical stories and delightful drawings. Now, whenever a friend has a child, or grandchild, a set of Boynton's books are my standard gift. No one is ever disappointed!

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