

Vowels and consonants



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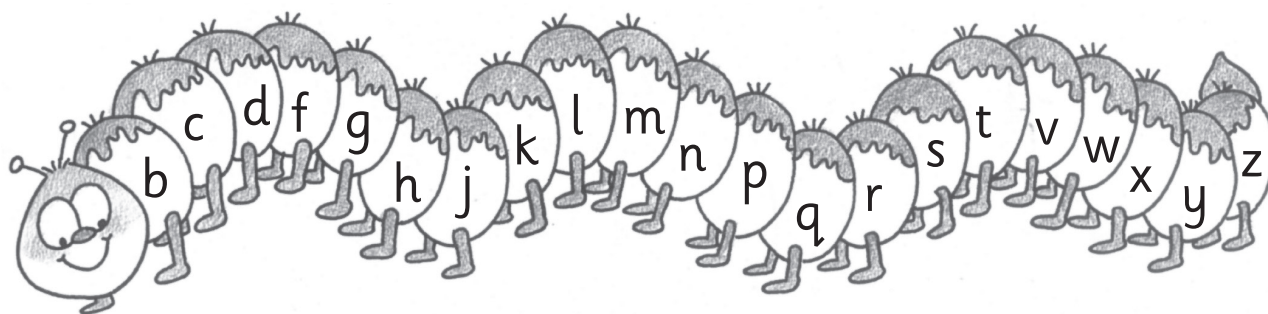
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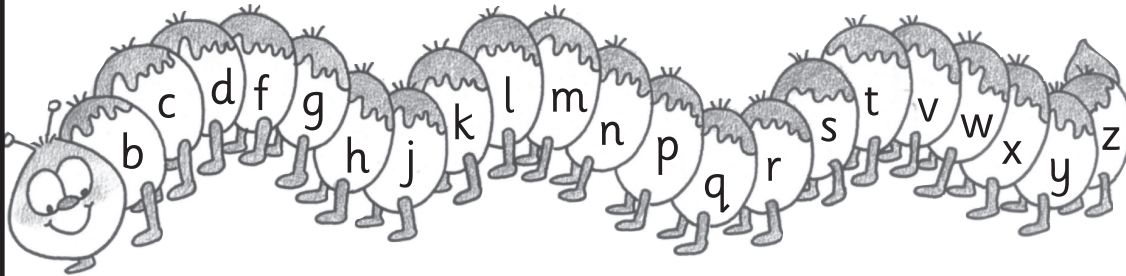
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Your child should know the letters of the alphabet and be able to sing or say them in order. He or she should also become familiar with vowels (*a, e, i, o, and u*) and consonants. Explain that *y* can be a vowel or a consonant depending on its sound.