

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Tree Activity

Book written by: Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault

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Instructions:

- ◇ Print the alphabet out. Cut each letter out along the lines. Laminate each letter separately (so the edges stay together).
- ◇ Flannel Board Pieces Instructions: Put a piece of double sided tape on the back of each of the letters. Place a small piece of interfacing (pellon), felt, flannel, rough sandpaper, sticky velcro tape (the smoother one), masking tape, or anything that sticks onto felt (or flannel). Store in a sealable bag. Label the bag.
- ◇ Tree Instructions: Cut out a long piece of brown felt (or paper) to the desired size. Cut large leaves using felt (or paper). Cut some coconuts out using brown felt (or paper). Follow the above *Flannel Board Pieces Instructions*. (If you are using paper for the tree, laminate each piece.)
- ◇ If you are using tape, put masking tape or double sided tape on the back of the letters. Tape (or glue) 30 small strips of wax paper onto a file folder. Place each letter onto the wax paper.
- ◇ If you are using magnetic strips, put magnetic strips on the back of the letters and tree parts. Place 30 magnetic strips into a file folder. Place the letters onto the magnetic strips.
- ◇ Tape or put the tree and coconuts onto a wall, paper, chalkboard, or magnetic board. If using something that is magnetic, put magnetic strips on the back of the tree parts. Put 30 pieces (plus the number for the coconuts) of magnetic strips on and around the tree.

Literature Activity or Center Activity

- ◇ Read Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault. (If using a flannel board, have the child put the flannel board tree pieces (trunk, leaves, coconut) on the flannel board.) Reread the book. Have the child put the letter(s) onto the tree and say the letter as the letters are put onto the tree. (The child can even say, "Chicka chicka boom boo!, etc.)

a	<u>b</u>	c	<u>d</u>	e
f	g	h	i	j
k	l	m	n	o

p	q	r	s	t
u	v	w	x	y
z	J	N	R	Z