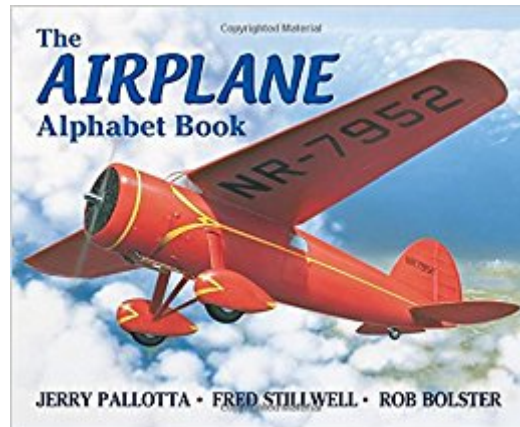




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# The Airplane Alphabet Book



## Synopsis

Let your imagination take flight! This fact-filled book features planes from the sleek Invader to the more popular Piper Cub. Learn which type of plane is best for a dogfight, see the type of plane Charles Lindbergh flew in the first nonstop flight across the Atlantic, and much more. From the first flight of the Wright Flyer in 1903 to the age of jets, Rob Bolster's vivid illustrations will send you soaring through the skies in this dynamic celebration of flight.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: 1 - 3

## Customer Reviews

"Realistic illustrations and informative, informal text take readers on a whirlwind tour of flying machines," said PW. All ages. (June) Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Kindergarten-Grade 4. Brightly colored pictures of mostly vintage airplanes will attract young aviation enthusiasts. The realistic illustrations are of excellent quality with meticulous detail and a wide variety of backdrops. A paragraph of text describes the plane featured on each page. The fact that this is also an alphabet book is almost secondary. For example, B is for B-17, E is for Electra, M is for Messerschmitt, but few of the planes have any markings that associate them with a specific letter. It is unclear as to why, between Q and R, two pages are devoted to the crash of a remote-controlled model airplane. This is a good, but strictly additional, choice for browsing or

one-on-one sharing with an adult. Eldon Younce, Harper Elementary School, KS Copyright 1997  
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My 2.5 year old can recite this entire book. I like that it gives factual information and is not one of the books that talks down to the reader. There is one page, however, that I think is 100% NOT OK. There's a picture of a crashed plane on one page with the words: Oh no! A plane crashed. Is anyone hurt? Did the pilot survive? Were there passengers? Did it crash into anyone's house? I'm not someone who gets easily offended and I'm not advocating sheltering kids from the real world. I probably tell my son too much-like now he's worried about the house tipping over because i told him what a tornado is. But "Did the pilot survive? Did it crash into anyone's house?," come on.

My two-year-old loves airplanes and I wanted to decorate his room in planes. I bought this book which had 8x10 pages and framed some of the photo's for decoration on the wall. He loves looking at all the airplanes before bed! The quality of the pages are not very great, they are more of a matte than a shiny material and are not very thick either. The pages would not hold up to a toddler very well but when they are framed on the wall it looks great. For those wondering, you could not put both A and B on the wall since those letters would be back to back on a single page. So buy two books if you plan on framing all the pages or want to frame a series in alphabetical order.

My two-year-old son absolutely adores this book, even though the writing is directed at children above his age. He wants to go through the alphabet over and over with me (and yes, there are airplanes for every letter, including the Xandu and the Yak), stopping at his favorites. No jet aircraft are included in this book, with the possible exception of the Osprey, which the text admits is an unusual inclusion in the book; however, both military and civilian propeller-driven airplanes are included. The text, as I mentioned, is clearly aimed at children older than two. I am very pleased with the text; it is clear and simple but it doesn't talk down to young readers. It gives interesting tidbits of information about the various aircraft and explains the basics of how airplanes fly. Although each letter is prominently featured in both upper and lower case, the focus of the book is really not the alphabet. The alphabet forms a backdrop and theme for the gorgeous illustrations of airplanes. The realism and minute detail make this a book older children, who already know the alphabet, would like to possess. In fact, I know quite a few adult aviation fans who would love to receive this as a holiday gift! My son easily spends a half an hour to forty-five minutes just looking at the pictures--a VERY high compliment from any two-year-old. I highly recommend this book for anyone who loves

airplanes. It would not be my first choice for teaching my son the alphabet, but he is certainly learning to love books and to love airplanes!

Our three-year-old grandson borrowed a copy of this book from their local library in Chantilly, VA. He had it memorized in three days! This book even helps him identify airplanes at the nearby Air Museum, Dulles airport. I just HAD to buy a copy for our house when he visits. I also bought some of Jerry Pallotta's other books .... look for these, as well. Thanks, Jerry and all the artists!

Book is clearly educational -- We gave it to our 5 year old grandson. The pictures and references are very good, the level of detail to read or even comprehend is much more for a pre-teen or teen. I was a little disappointed in the quality of the paper -- it is a very light-weight (albeit glossy) paper. Our grandson was pleased, I was satisfied but not enthralled.

My 18 month old daughter loves this book, though I am underwhelmed by the weak paper, binding, and overall feeling of "cheapness." Combined with some factual inaccuracies (aerodynamics), I can only give this a 2.5 star rating.

17 month old son is obsessed with airplanes and loves this book. This book is the best one we've found. Visually uncluttered- great pictures of airplanes and interesting descriptions.

This airplane alphabet book is fantastic! For any child who is fascinated with airplanes (and loves to read), it's the perfect gift. Each page has a letter and a coordinating factoid based on that letter. Very educational- my son loves the big pictures of the different airplane models through the years. I plan on buying another book because I actually framed four of the photos, I loved the illustrations so much. Vintage looking, such a great find!

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