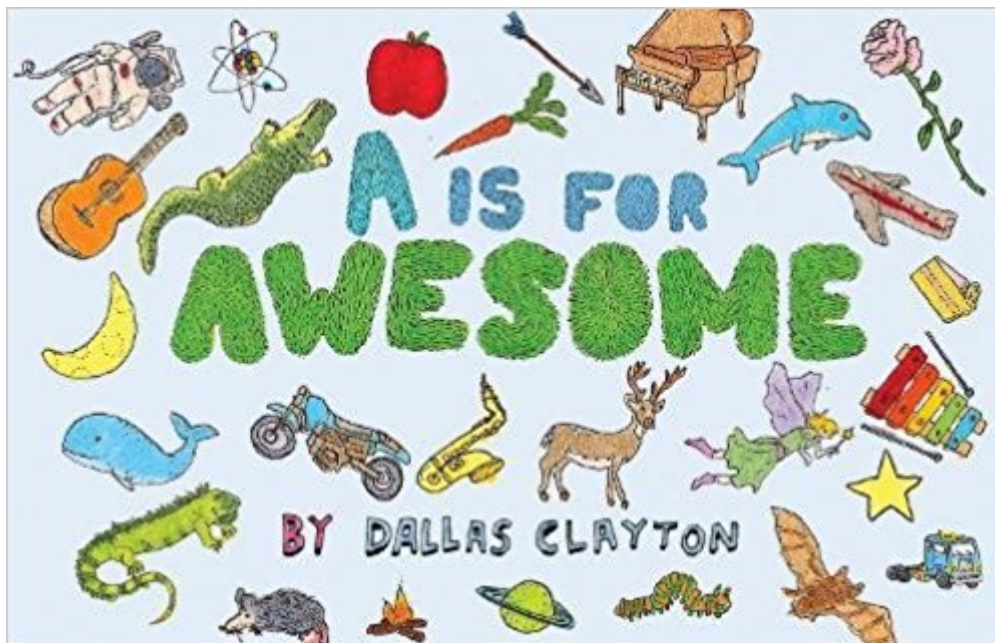


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# A Is For Awesome



## Synopsis

Inspirational artist Dallas Clayton infuses his trademark whimsical art and positive message into an absolutely awesome alphabet book. Alliterative and rhyming words of wisdom surrounded by all new art fill this energetic alphabet book by Dallas Clayton. Bursting with color and life, each spread offers a rhythmic phrase and an abundance of artwork illustrating the featured letter. The message of dreaming big and living life to its fullest permeates every page, inviting readers to "learn some new letters that you can use to make magical words and share big ideas."

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

K-Gr 2 **With this quirky alphabet book, Clayton provides affirming concepts for each letter: "C is for Confident Cool and Collected/D is for Dreaming things never expected/Q is for Quiet to escape from the madness/R is for Reading but also for radness." Hand-drawn fonts, which alternate between large, uppercase letters that seem to be made of fur and words in a smaller, not-too-perfect typeface, are clear and easy to read. The book's design-narrow rectangles with plenty of white space-amplifies each featured word and makes it appropriate for building vocabulary. On each page, Clayton surrounds the text with miniature sketches of objects that begin with the featured letter-"H is for Happy to see you today" is paired with a horse, horn, hippo, hamster, harp, etc. The text verges on the trite ("E is for Everything under the sun") and is sometimes nonsensical**

("T is for Talking and teaching and trees"), but there's no denying the positive, kid-centric appeal. The attractive illustrations and accessible design make A Is for Awesome a fun addition for most collections. [Nora Clancy, Teachers College Community School, New York City](#)

There's no denying the positive, kid-centric appeal. The attractive illustrations and accessible design make A Is for Awesome a fun addition for most collections. [School Library Journal](#) In keeping with the irreverently inspirational attitude of his previous work, Clayton provides an alphabet of affirmations... [T]he big, furry-looking font and playful miniature images... lend Clayton's work a Haight-Ashbury vibe that should gel with free-spirited kids. [Publishers Weekly](#) Engagingly simple... [T]he feel-good tone is catching, and the sentiments make fertile discussion fodder. [Kirkus Reviews](#)

Dallas Clayton is a contemporary wizard of whimsy who invites us (the small, the tall, and the in-between-all) to take fresh looks at our world; open our hearts to do, make, and be our bests; and to share what we learn along the way with those we love and meet along the way. This is a fun and quirky abc book. It feels like it was drawn by a friend and it simultaneously has the heart of a kid with the love of a parent. Full of colors and all sorts of little things to look for - it's a nice addition to other Clayton must haves ( An Awesome Book, An Awesome Book of Thanks, An Awesome Book of Love, Lily the Unicorn, Make Magic Do Good, and for the adults the wonderful It's Never Too Late)

my 2 years old son like to ask us what each item is, nice nighttime game.

gave this book 2xs as gifts and it is AWESOME. parents love it and the kids, even quite little ones, love it to. lots of laughter with learning.

Can someone who owns this book please tell a college grad grandmother what the guitar/stringed instrument is supposed to be called since it is pictured under 'A'? I thought at first that perhaps Mr. Clayton was being clever, putting ONE item that didn't start with an A, but that didn't seem to be the case for B or C. I am giving this to my 5 year old grandson for his birthday. Can't wait to confuse him, too! Please help, someone!

I love this author and the message he sends.

My son loves to read this to me. He is 5 and loves to read chapter books but always comes back to this book. Highly recommended. Great book with a great message!!

Great book!!!

I love Dallas Clayton. His books are both inspiring and fun. This is a book that I'm going to read to my child for a long, long time. This book is filled with positivity. LOVE IT!!

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