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Alphabeasties



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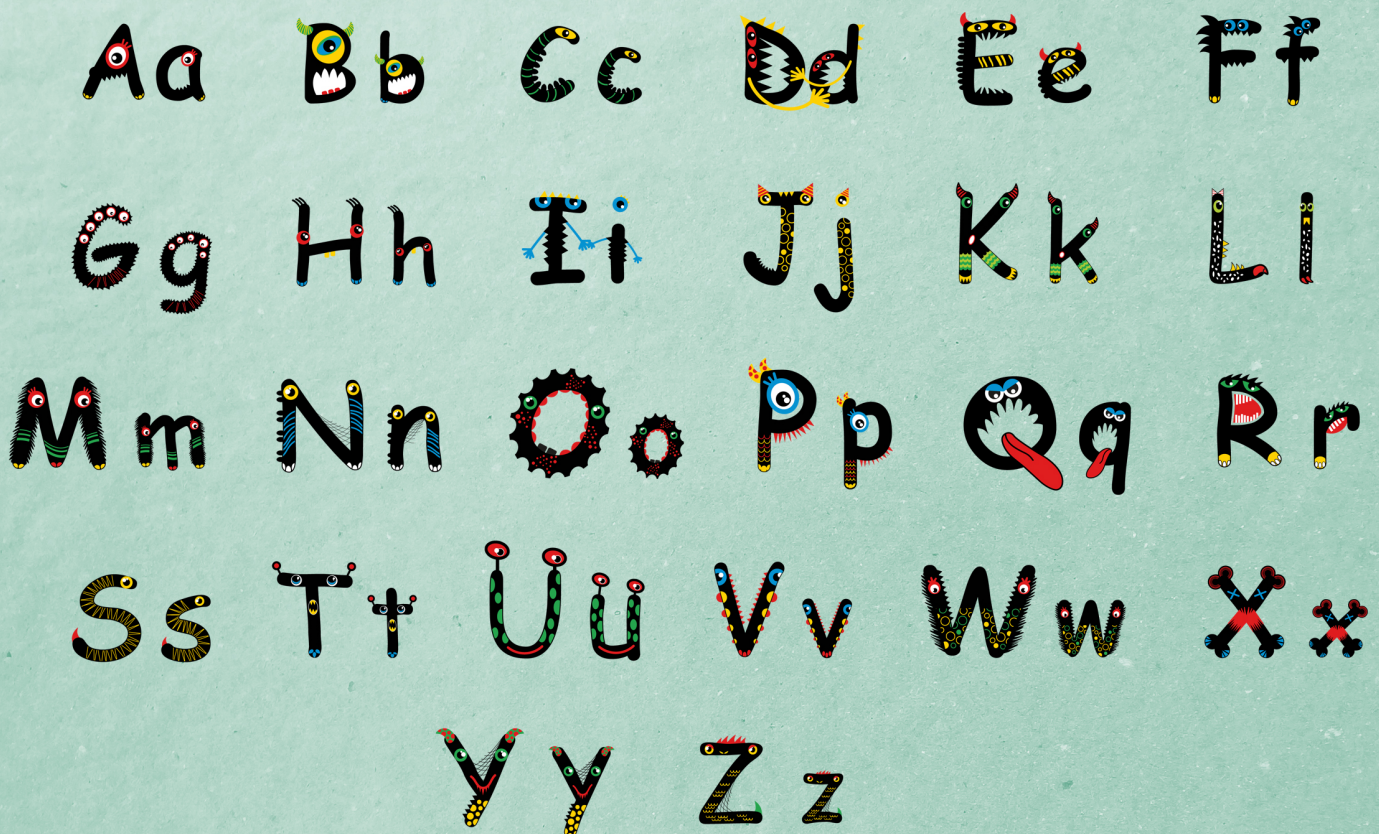
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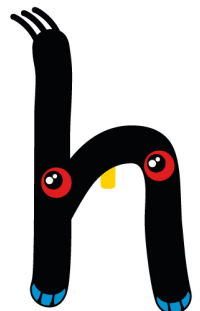
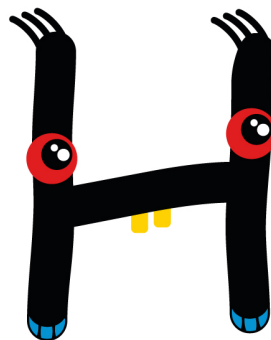
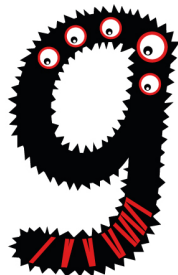
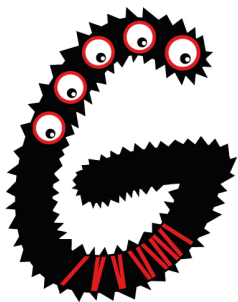
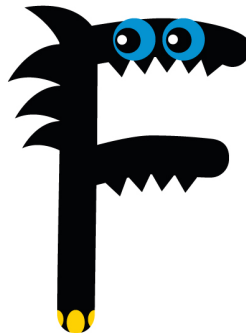
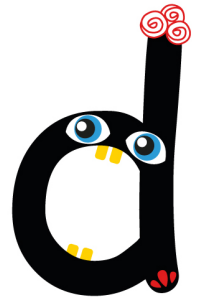
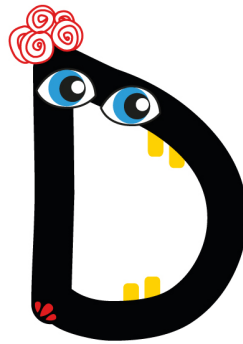
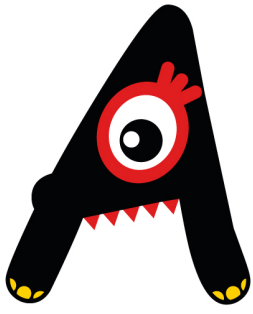
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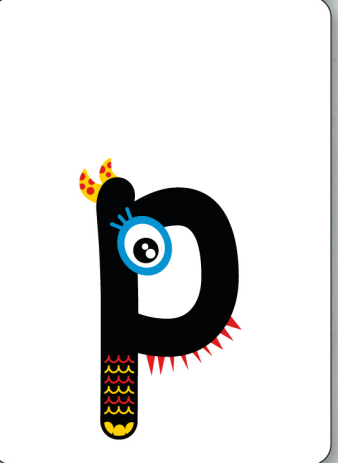
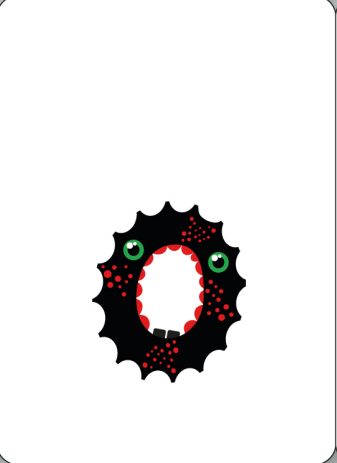
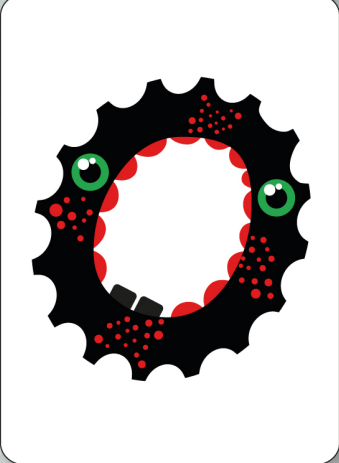
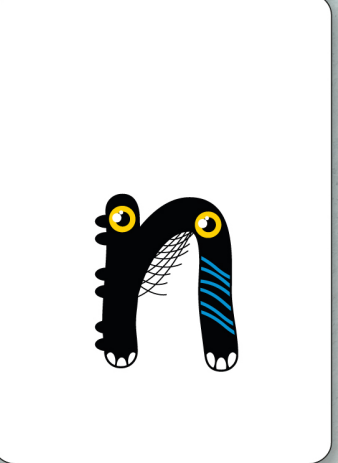
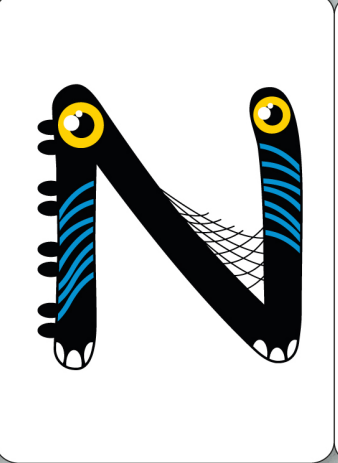
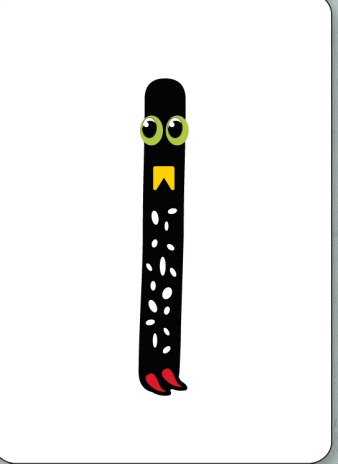
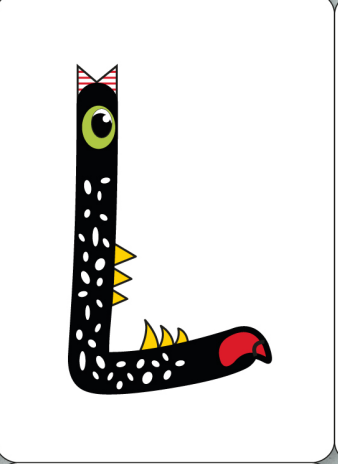
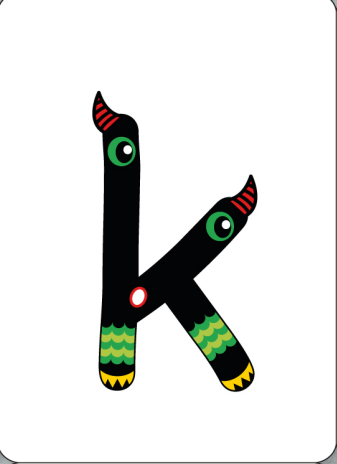
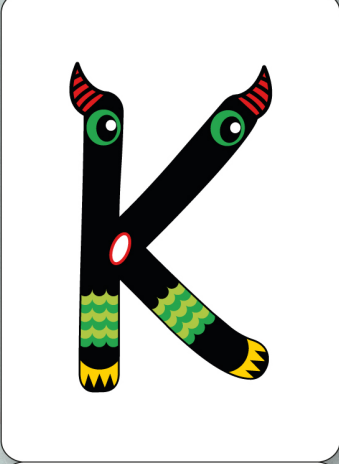
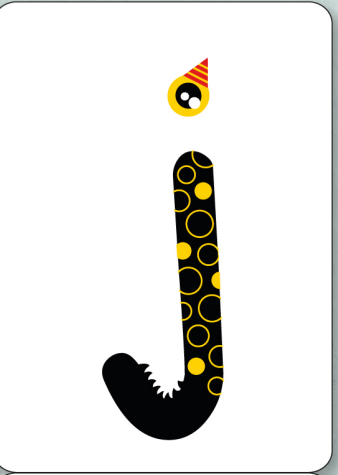
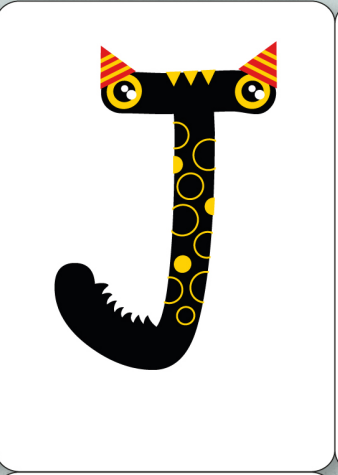
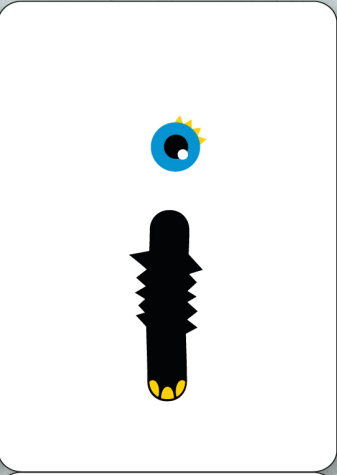
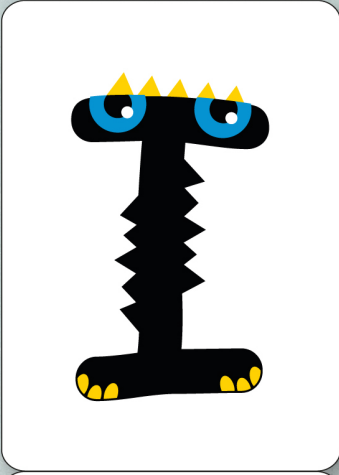
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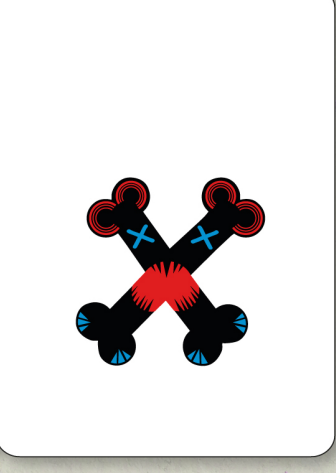
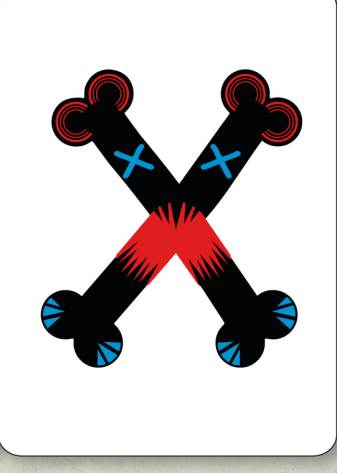
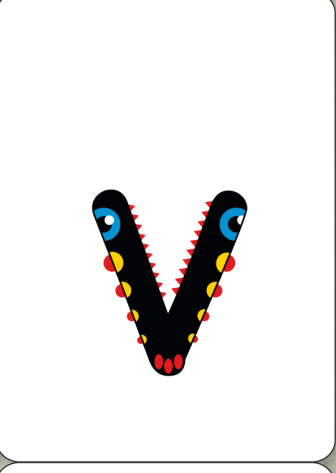
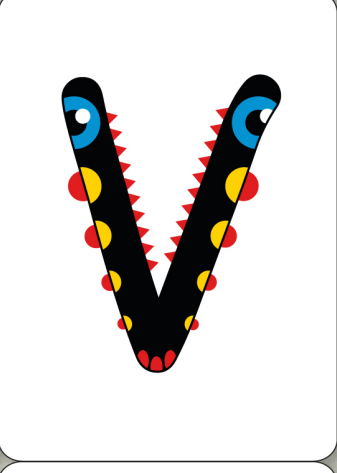
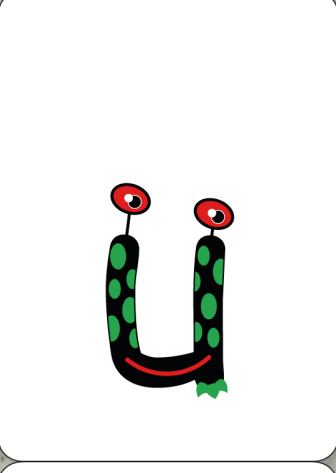
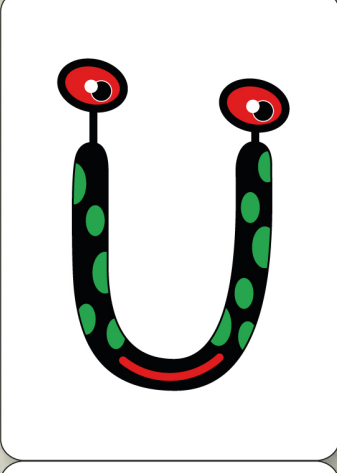
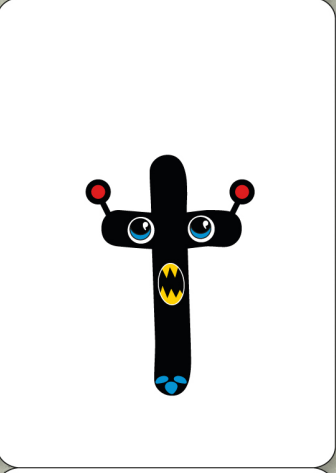
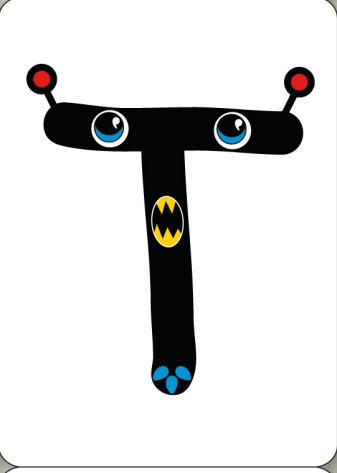
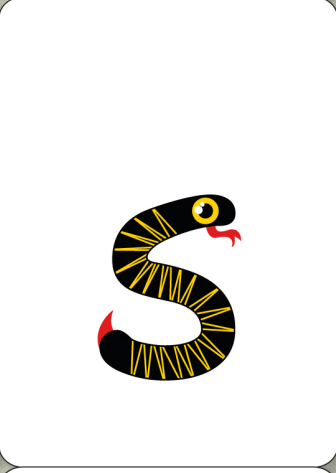
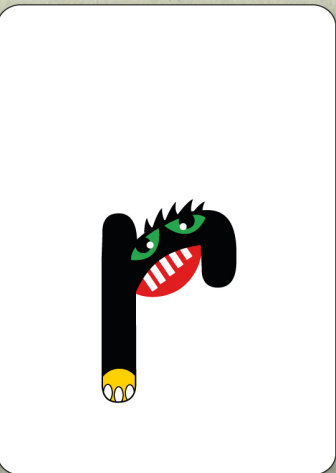
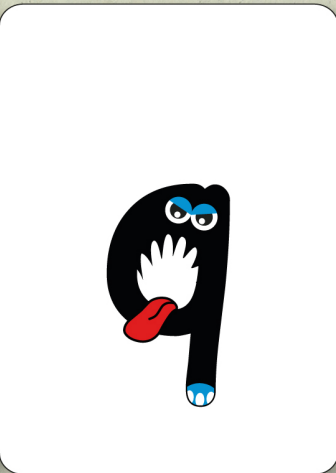
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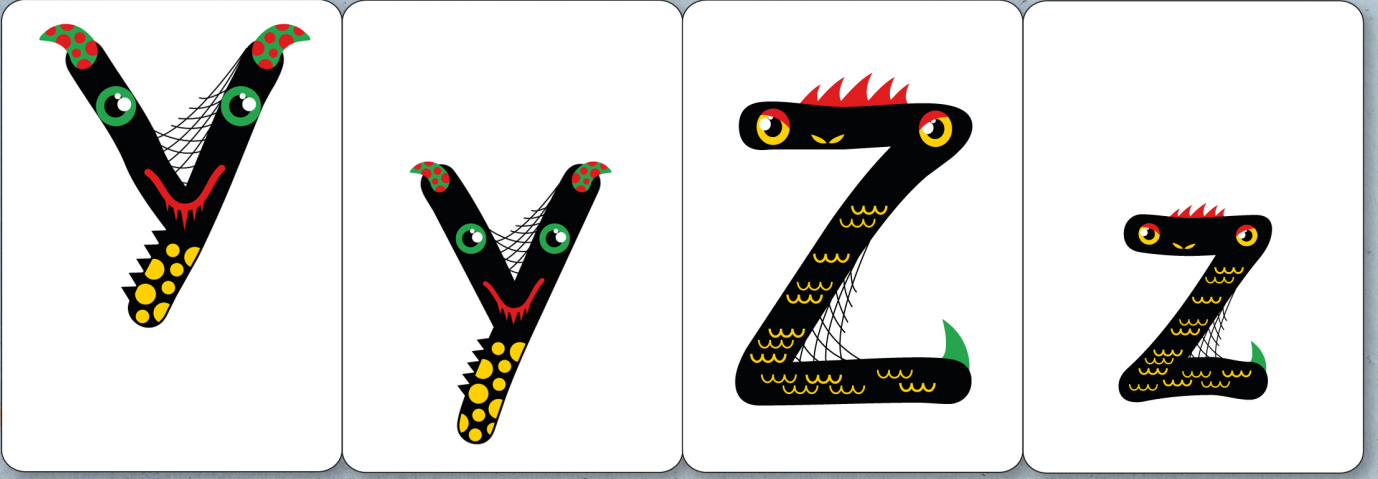
fearless and friendly monsters that look like the letters of the alphabet. There are **adults** (Capital letters) and **kids** (Lower case letters).











**Print out the letters on pages 4-7 to
make your own pack of cards**

Why not invent your own Alphabeasties?

Draw and paint your own Alphabeastie alphabet.
Or make 3D models out of clay, papier mache, or cookie dough.
Why not create an animation?



Use the Alphabeastie letters
on pages 4 to 7
or the Comic Sans alphabet on
page 9 to inspire you.

A a

B b

C c

D d

E e

F f

G g

H h

I i

J j

K k

L l

M m

N n

O o

P p

Q q

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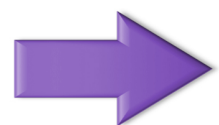
W w

X x

Y y

Z z

Now it's your turn to get creative...





Make a 3D paper model of your name

1. Draw the letters of your name onto a piece of card.
Each letter should be about 6 cm high.
Use the Alphabeastie Capital letters (pages 4-7) to inspire you.



2. Now cut them out leaving a space round each letter.



3. Place your letters on a piece of coloured card.
(If you don't have coloured card, you can paint it.)
Then draw carefully round each letter with a pencil.



4. Cut out each letter again.
You will end up with 2 cut-outs of each letter.



5. Cut downwards from the **top** to the **middle** of each Alphabeastie letter. The cut should be about 1 cm from the left hand side.



6. Cut upwards from the **bottom** to the **middle** of each plain letter. The cut should be about 1 cm from the left side.



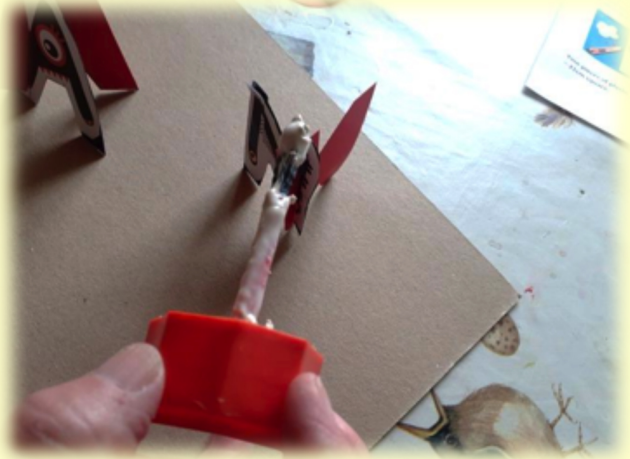
7. Slot the 2 letters together.



TIP

The cross on the bottom will help letters stand up straight - some of your letters may be a little wobbly, so you may have to adjust them till they are balanced: my letter 'D' kept falling over, because it had a very large tummy!

8. Carefully put some glue on the bottom of each letter.



TIP

You can use ordinary paper glue, but Copydex glue dries quickly, gives a firm base and isn't too messy!

9. Stick each letter upright to the card.



TIP

You need to hold the letter in position for a few moments to let it dry, otherwise it might fall over.

10. The finished piece!



Play the XFactor Card Game

Why not learn the difference between Capital letters and Lower case/small letters with a cool card game? You need a pack of Alphabeasties cards: print these out onto thick card using pages 4-7. Or invent your own pack!

Players: 2 - 4 players of any age

*** Important:** check that all players understand that there is a difference between Capital letters and Lower case letters. If not, have some fun explaining this playfully and sorting through the cards together. For example, lay out all the Capital letters (adults) in order, and mix up the remaining cards. Then find the matching Lower case (child) partner.

To start: Remove the Capital letter 'X' from the pack, which usually contains all 26 Capital letters and all 26 Lower case/small letters. You'll see why later.

The aim of the game:

Players get rid of pairs of Capital and Lower case letters. The winner is the person who is left with the Capital letter X at the end of the game.

Dealing the cards:

Decide who is going to be the dealer. The dealer shuffles the pack and deals the cards one at a time to each player, until all the cards are handed out.

*** Important:** make sure the cards are the right way up!

How to play:

1. Each player removes all Capital letters/Lower case pairs from their cards and places them on the table. (* Check these are correct before moving on to the next stage or the game won't work!)
2. The dealer (Player 1) offers their remaining hand, spread out face-down, to the player on their left (Player 2), who draws one card from it.
3. Player 2 gets rid of any pair that may have been formed by the last drawn card.
4. Player 2 then offers their own hand to the player on their left. Go on like this until all cards have been paired except one - the X card. The person left with the X card is the winner.
5. You may want to play 5 rounds and keep score. You could also introduce some kind of reward system. Use your imagination and see what works best.