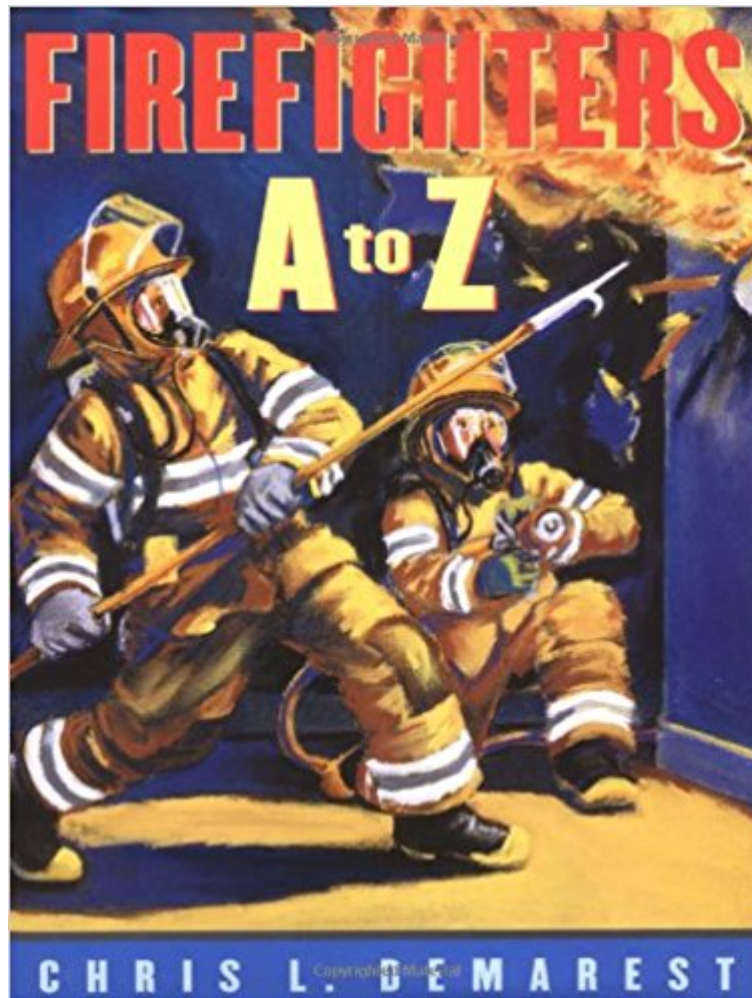




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# Firefighters A To Z



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## Synopsis

A is for Alarm that rings loud and clear. B is for Boots stowed in our bunker gear. From A to Z, volunteer firefighter and fine artist Chris Demarest presents a day-in-the-life of firefighters whose job it is to answer the call to put out fires and save property and lives. In a simple, informative text and with glowing realistic illustrations that thoroughly envelop the reader, the danger of fire and the courageous job firefighters do every day are brought to life for readers everywhere.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 2-Demarest takes a different approach to the subject in this rhyming alphabet book. Despite the simplicity of the format, a great deal of information is conveyed in the one line of text per page. While the author's note at the end elaborates on how a "K-tool" works and how "sounding" is done, the rhymes themselves are natural and meaningful. "G is for Go as we race at full speed./H is for Hoses and Hydrants we need." The bold pastel illustrations are dramatic and convey the action in an appealing manner. Karen Magnuson Beil's *Fire in Their Eyes* (Harcourt, 1999) uses full-color photographs for a more realistic portrayal of her subject. Nevertheless, *Firefighters* is sure to spark the interest of young enthusiasts. Edith Ching, St. Albans School, Mt. St. Alban, Washington, DC Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Children fascinated by fire fighters will find plenty to please them in this large-format picture book, in part, because Demarest knows the subject firsthand: he's a member of a volunteer fire department. As the title suggests, the text is arranged alphabetically, beginning with "A is for Alarm that rings loud and clear. / B is for Boots stowed in our bunker gear." Though the rhyming verse is less satisfying than the dramatic artwork, the simplicity of the text makes this picture book accessible to kids young enough to be excited about fire engines. The large-scale, deeply colored pictures, ablaze with yellows and orange-reds, show broad scenes, such as two firefighters knocking down a wall and closer views, such as a firefighter's hand using a "kool-tool" to open a door. In three appended pages of notes, he discusses fire fighting and explains some aspects of the text. A colorful, dramatic introduction that future firefighters will adore. Carolyn PhelanCopyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

thank you great book

My three year old can't get enough of this book! We found him correcting some of the more basic firefighter/fire truck kids books. After reading this book, he's the pre-school version of a firefighting expert!! Great, and very detailed!

As a rare combination of elementary school teacher and volunteer firefighter, I'm always looking for children's books that accurately depict what firefighters do (no firehouse dogs! not rescuing cats out of trees!). This book is accurate, engaging, brilliantly tied to the alphabet, and started several interesting conversations with my class about firefighting tactics like ventilation and forcible entry. And I was so proud to see the looks on the local firefighters' faces last spring when my first graders asked where the K-tool was!

Purchased for my daughter's family for Christmas (her husband is a fireman), this Chris Demarest book is awesome! Love the terms A-Z and great illustrations! Chris is a very talented author and illustrator.

Love this book! We have bought copies for friends and it is a bedtime favorite for both of our kids. Made learning and practicing the ABCs fun and our kids started to learn the sounds each of the letter make.

Love that it covers the alphabet. It was too long for my students.

Perfect condition. Love this book. The illustration and information about firefighters is thorough. Lots of rhyme too. I know students will love it. An early childhood must!

I bought this book for my 3yr old son who loves fire trucks and fireman. I have had a hard time getting him to focus on his ABC's so I needed something to help me out. This book is perfect! Not only does it help with his ABC's but he gets to learn more about firefighting.

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