Zoo-Phonics Actions

Sound	Action
Aa Allie Alligator	Extend arms forward one over the other to form an alligator mouth, fingers becoming teeth. Open and close arms from the shoulders and say, /a/.
کے Bubba Bear	Reach up in the air with one hand like you are a bear reaching to a bee hive for honey. Bring the honey back to your mouth. Repeat motion.
C و Catina Cat	Pretend you are a cat washing your face with your paw and say the /c/ sound.
් D d Deedee Deer	Use two fingers from each hand to make deer ears on top of your head. Say the /d/ sound as you pretend to be a deer.
Ellie Elephant	Clasp your hands and swing them from side to side as a trunk, and say the /e/ sound.
Francy Fish	With your hands in front of your chest, place the palm of one hand on the back of the other hand to form a fish (make sure you have a thumb on each side), and then wiggle your thumbs and say the letter sound, "f" (sustained sound.)

G g Gordo Gorilla	Simulate peeling a banana, saying the letter sound, "g."
Hh Honey Horse	Slap both sides of your upper thighs, suggesting a horse galloping. At the same time, say the /h/ sound.
لاً Inny Inchworm	Using your index finger, bend it up and down, and then move your hand forward suggesting the movement of an inchworm. Say the sound /i/.
لآ الالالالالالالالالالالالالالالالالالا	Move your shoulders, arms, and fingers in a wiggly, jellylike fashion and shake like jelly! Keep hands and arms in front of your chest, not to the sides of your body, as you say the letter sound, /j/.
Kayo Kangaroo	Make fists with both arms and place them in front of your chest like you are boxing. Kick one foot out to the side while saying the /k/ sound.
Lizzy Lion	Place your hands under your chin with your elbows lifted up, level with shoulders. Say the letter sound /l/ (continuous). Make sure the student keeps his/her tongue in their mouth to get a pure /l/ sound.
Mm Missy Mouse	Place your hand close to your mouth as if you are a mouse nibbling on a small piece of cheese. While signaling, say the letter sound /m/. (sustained sound)

Nigel Nightowl	Using the thumb and index finger of each hand, make round nightowl eyes and say the letter sound, "n" (sustained sound).
Olive Octopus	Extend each arm outward at your sides, using a waving motion to suggest the tentacles of an octopus and say the letter sound /o/.
Peewee Penguin	Stiffen both arms at the sides of your body (hands up) snf fo s penguin walk, waddling from side to side. While signaling, say the letter sound, "p."
িব Queeny Quail	Illustrate the topknot of the California Quail by placing your bent index finger forward at the top of your forehead, while saying the letter sound, "q" ("kw").
Robby Rabbit	Curve both hands, raising them to your chest to represent rabbit paws. Give a hop, hop and say the letter sound, "rrr." (Be careful not to make an "er" sound, placing the vowel before the "r."
ో s Sammy Snake	Move your hand forward in the serpentine manner of a snake, saying "ssss." (sustained sound.)
Timothy Tiger	Extend your arms in a "t" shape to suggest a tiger holding onto the bars of his zoo cage. While signaling, say the sound, "t".

Umber Umbrellabird	Extend one arm out as you are a bird flapping your wing. Use your other hand to hold an imaginary umbrella above your head. Say the short /u/ sound. Bend and raise your elbows horizontally with your hands near your mouth. Form
Vincent Vampire bat	little fangs with your index fingers. Flap elbows up and down, saying the letter sound "v."
₩w Willie Weasel	Place your arms in front of your chest, elbows up and hands clasped. Move your arms in a wavelike motion, This suggests what Willie Weasel would look like if he were running. While signaling, say the letter sound, /w/.
¥x Xavier Fox	Crossing your index fingers, move them as if you are knitting. Say the letter sound, "x." ("ks.") Xavier Fox is the only Zoo-phonics sound that comes at the end of the word.
Yy Yancy Yak	Form a "y-shape" with your thumb and little finger, and then place your hand next to our ear, as though you were holding a telephone. While Signaling (talking on the phone), say the letter sound, "y."
Zeke Zebra	Place your hands together and lean them against your cheek to suggest Zeke catching a few "z's" (sleeping). While signaling, say the letter sound, "z" (sustained sound).

ch	Brush your left hand on your left cheek
	like you are cleaning yourself like a cat.
	At the same time, pat your right hand
	against your thigh like a horse is
	running.
	Slither your left hand and arm like a
sh	snake. At the same time, pat your right
	hand against your thigh like a horse is
	running.
*h	Hold your left are out, perpendicular to
	your body and grasp an imaginary fence
	railing. At the same time, pat your
	right hand against your thigh like a
	horse is running.
vh	Wave your left hand in a motion like
	waves in the ocean. At the same time,
	pat your right hand against your thigh
	like a horse is running.
	No action
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