

## Alphabetical Order

There are **26 letters in the alphabet** that we use in Great Britain. Of these, **5 are vowels** and **21 are consonants**.

The letters of the alphabet are:

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

The five vowels are:

a e i o u

When we want to put things into order, we often choose to put them into **alphabetical order**. An example of putting words into alphabetical order is shown below.

Mixed Up	Alphabetical Order
Beetroot	Apple
Turnip	Beetroot
Potato	Carrot
Carrot	Potato
Apple	Turnip

When we put things into alphabetical order, we **look at the first letter** in the words and try and find a word that begins with a **letter near the front of the alphabet**, such as a or b.

Try to put these words into alphabetical order:

1. Gun Ant Car Fox Dad Box
2. Cat Bat Rat Hat Mat Fat
3. cake rake bake make wake take
4. bend send lend wend fend mend