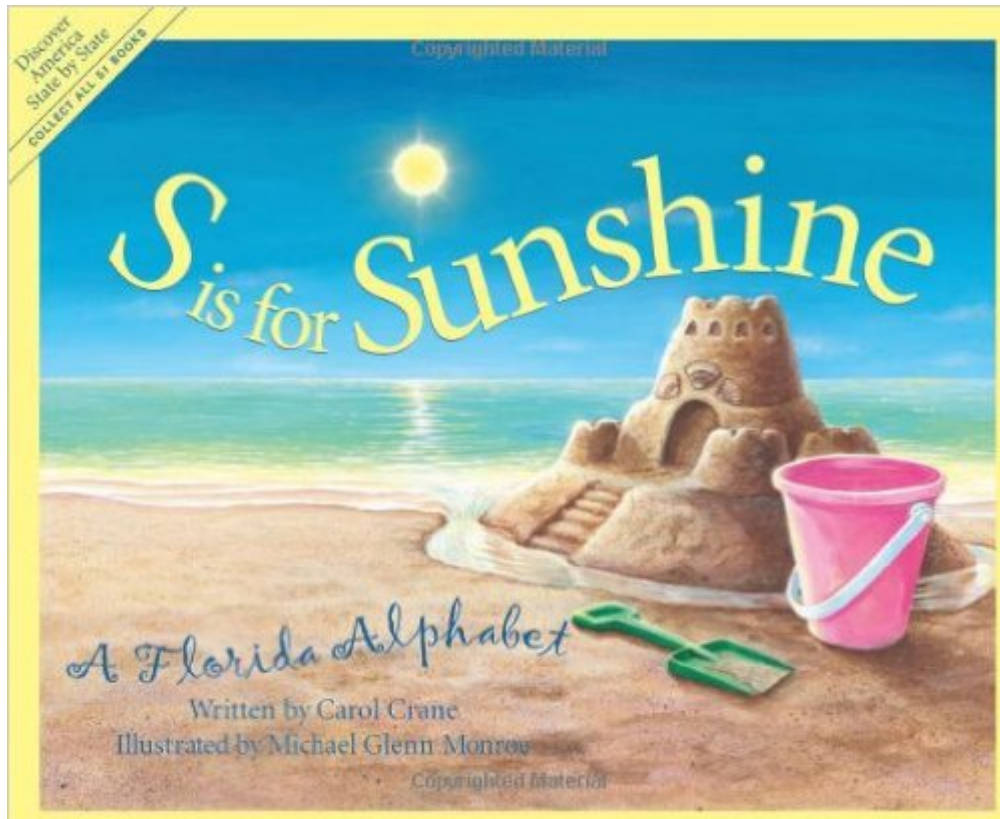


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# S Is For Sunshine: A Florida Alphabet (Discover America State By State)



## Synopsis

The Sunshine State gets its own alphabet book! Florida, where "B is for Beaches, P is for Pirates, and V is for Vacationers," comes to life with playful, vivid illustrations by Michael Monroe and a conch shell full of fun facts and poems by Florida author and educator Carol Crane. Do you know which city is the state capitol? Which fragrant blossom is the state flower? Learn all this and more with S is for Sunshine: A Florida Alphabet.

## Book Information

Series: Discover America State by State

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 3

## Customer Reviews

S is for Sunshine is not an ordinary alphabet book. It's a unique alphabet book of the Sunshine State...Florida. What makes it unique are not the beautiful, pastel-colored illustrations by Michael Glenn Monroe, but the combination of narrative and expository passages for each letter of the alphabet. The simple, rhyming lines depict a particular characteristic of Florida, for example, A is for alligator. Along the sides of the page is a well-written descriptive passage explaining about the alligator and its habitat. The rhymes and illustrations are especially appealing to the younger child, however, the accompanying passages provide a rich history and facts about Florida for the intermediate reader. What a wonderful book for children!

This is my new favorite alphabet book to read to my 3 year old daughter. We both love looking at all of the pictures of the places we have been to and the items and animals as they relate to the state of Florida. Each page features a letter, a rhyme even small children can follow, and a beautiful picture. There are also sidebars where more in depth information on the pictures is provided for more advanced readers. Our favorites are N for Nasa, S for St Augustine, and of course W for Walt Disney World. I found the sidebar information okay in content. The letter U is for underwater Aquarium and I thought that maybe some info on the state aquarium in Tampa would have been nice if it was provided but it was not. On the other hand the page for the letter Z for Zebra Longwing butterfly mentioned Butterfly World an attraction that is located just down the street from us. I think the book would have benefited from some more in depth information on places you could specifically visit. That said I think the author did an amazing job of matching letters with Florida concepts. X is always a tricky one. I would recommend this book to any child who wants to learn more about the state of Florida and especially to children learning the alphabet who live in Florida. This book is a wonderful way to learn about our state.

Very well written and fun picture book! Not only does the author share interesting information in ABC format, but the info is backed up with additional facts. We (mom and 4 yo son) enjoy reading this book, over and over and over again!

My daughter's name is Sunshine, so of course I HAD to get this book. Wonderfully laid out and tells of some great historical sites and tourists attractions around Florida. We even gave this as to my daughter's teachers as an end of the year gift.

I bought this for my grandchildren, and really enjoyed reading it myself. Each page is in two parts -- the inside 2/3 of each page has words unique to Florida with beautiful illustrations for each letter of the alphabet, written in larger print and in language children can understand. The outside 1/3 of each page has smaller print and goes into detail about the words and pictures, expanding knowledge for curious children and adults. I highly recommend this book!

I bought this for my niece for her first birthday. The pictures are bright and colorful and the short poems for each letter of the alphabet are excellent and entertaining. It's a great introduction to the state of Florida and the more detailed facts on each page are enough to also keep the adults entertained (as well as teach them some things they didn't know!) and hopefully her when she gets

a bit older. This is truly a book to grow with. My SIL who is a kindergarten teacher loved it so much she is ordering a bunch from this series to use in her classroom!

My child loves all of these books. He's 3 1/2, but will be able to use these books for a long time, since there is more detailed info on each page sides. Currently we don't read this part, but in the future I think he will.

What a great children's book. Very fast delivery, arrived undamaged, very colorful bright pictures and a fun book to read to our grandchildren.

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