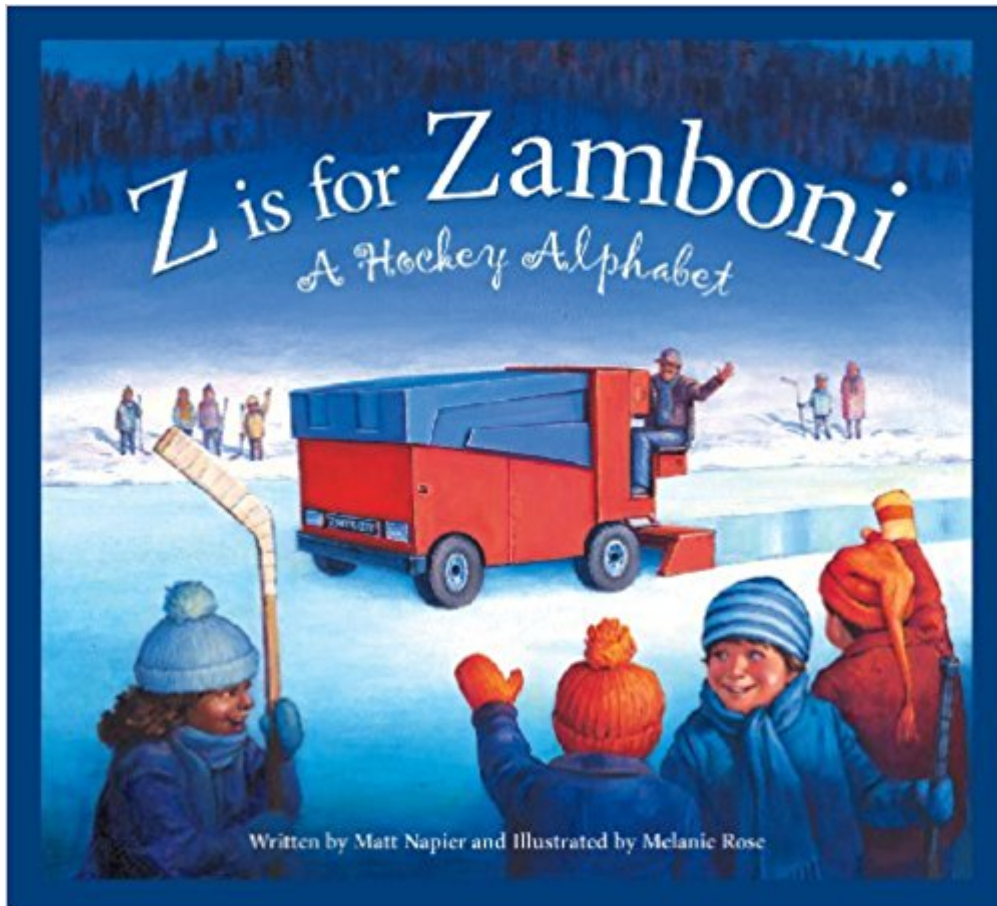




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# Z Is For Zamboni: A Hockey Alphabet (Sports Alphabet)



## Synopsis

In the mold of our very popular series of state alphabet books, we offer "Z is for Zamboni" to hockey fans young and old across North America. Matt Napier's "breakaway" rhymes and "hard-checking" expository text team up with the "top-shelf" illustrations of Melanie Rose to elucidate this increasingly popular game for every beginning hockey aficionado. Highlighting rules, players, coaches, teams, and the history of the game, it is both fun and educational.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 2 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 4-From "A is for Arena./The game is played in here,/a building where the fans all gather/to clap and boo and cheer" to "-Zamboni for Z-/a machine that cleans the ice,/ensuring for tomorrow's game/a surface smooth and nice," this volume introduces various aspects of the sport and some highlights from its history. For example, "U is for Team USA-/Who, to everyone's surprise,/at Lake Placid won Olympic Gold/before a nation filled with pride." The use of Canadian spelling, according to the author, is a tribute to the origins of the game. Bold acrylic paintings depict professional players, as well as youngsters at play. Buy where demand warrants.L. R. Little, Penticton Public Library, British Columbia, CanadaCopyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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This was my son's first favorite book. At the age of one he used to sit in his car seat and flip through this the entire time he was in the car! The board book is very well constructed - highly recommend this for your chewing, ripping, destroying little one :) The board book is a condensed version of the full sized edition but the pictures are great, the size is perfect, and there's enough text to get a conversation going between you and your little one. When my guy gets a little older I plan on buying the full sized edition with additional text, but for now this is perfect for him.

I bought this for my son because my husband is a hockey guy. I bought a second one for a friend who is having a baby boy to start off their library. Can be read at the high level or there is more text that goes into details and history that is cool for adults or older kids.

Bought it as part of a shower gift for my hockey fan boss- the book itself is great but it arrived a little dinged up. I'll probably end up keeping it for myself because I really don't want to give a damaged gift.

I bought this for my son, because we are a big hockey family. He is 10 months old, so he is not old enough to appreciate this yet, but I sure can! This book is so darn cute! It's a board book, so nothing too big to report on that part, but whoever illustrated and wrote this book, was creative and spot on! The book goes through each letter of the alphabet, relating it to hockey. One of the pages, has Bobby Hull illustrated, and it looks JUST like him!! Cute book, and great illustrations! I will definitely be recommending to everyone that loves hockey and has kids, (or knows kids, for that matter)!!

This was a gift for my hockey-crazed four-year old nephew, along with the number hockey book. He is always on the go and it is difficult to get him to focus on anything for a long period of time. However, after giving him these books, he immediately sat down and looked through the whole book! I like that it has a short rhyming sentence for the younger child, but there is more information on the side of each page to engage him in when he gets older. I think the alphabet book is a little better written, but both books are excellent and a great tool for encouraging reading while keeping

one's interest.

Looks like a little kids book, but very detailed. Might be for someone you are introducing hockey to, but not sure it would be a child's book.

Some of the letters are kind of boring, but I guess you can't have something as cute as "Z is for zamboni" on every page.

This was a gift to my grandson for his 9th birthday along with a book entitled "Z is for Zamboni". He and his dad are great Devils fans and have attended many games. The book is far from an A to Z primer, it is full of facts about ice hockey and was given along with a small reproduction of a zamboni. If you need a gift (or 2) for a hockey fan, especially NJ Devils, this book and the small zamboni sold separately by will fit the bill.

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