

THE LETTER TOWER

Once upon a time there was the letter A and she had four friends, B, C, D, and E. They were playing on the beach making sand castles. The castles got taller and taller. Each took a turn filling their buckets with wet sand and setting one on top of the other. They smiled at their towers.

Looking down the beach B noticed another group of letters, F, G, H, I, and J. They would wait until the tide went out and then lay in the wet sand making sand angels. When the tide came in it would wash the angels away and the letters would jump and giggle and clap their hands.

Further down, walking along the beach, a new group of letters came up to see what the second group was doing. K, L, M, N, and O tied their beach towels around their necks and when the tide washed the angels away they would run in circles through the water waving their towel capes.

P, Q, R, S, and T were sitting on the beach observing the other three groups of letters playing. They started to get up but the hot dog vendor came. They all sat right back down and ate hot dogs and drank orange sodas.

A group of six letters walked onto the beach from the boardwalk that led to the parking lot. U, V, W, X, Y, and Z were chasing each other, stopping, then chasing each other again, then stopping. Z had a camera. He was clicking pictures of the group each time they stopped. Z looked up the beach and saw all the other groups of letters.

“WOW!” he thought, “how lucky can we get?” Rushing past the other letters who followed him in an orderly line, Z went all the way to the first group of letters. “Hi!” said Z to A, B, C, D, and E. “Want to build a tower?” he asked with enthusiasm. “Well,” replied A, “we only have five buckets and five shovels, it might take a while.” “Nooooooooo,” laughed Z, “I mean a letter tower!” By now all five groups of letters had gathered around A and Z. Z said, “I have my camera and we could make a tower out of all of us letters together and take a picture.” “Yayyyyyy,” shouted all the letters.

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X
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They all sat down to make a plan as to how they would make a tower. Very quietly with shy voices M & N said, "Let's lie on the sand end to end and have someone take our picture." "Yayyyyyyyyy," all the letters shouted again.

Starting with the letter A each letter followed in order standing along the shoreline. Z found Mrs. Alphabet and asked her to take the picture. She stood in front of A and called to all the letters to lie down at once. They did and she snapped the picture.

Can you take your letters and make a tower? ©Mnghn

ABCDE FGHIJ KLMNO PQRST UVWXYZ;)