

Alpha Oops! The Day Z Went First

A: A is for app –

Z: Stop!

A: What is it?

Y: Zebra and I are SICK of this last-in-line stuff! This time we want to go first! It's OUR turn!

W: Yeah! We want fair and equal turns! It's time for a change!

X: Why not? Let's try it!

Z: Z is for zebra.

Y: Y is for yarn.

X: X is for xylophone.

W: W is for whale.

P: P is for penguins.

V: P! What do you think you're doing?

P: Oh, come on. Even if we go backwards, some of us are still stuck in the middle.

(U leaves for the bathroom)

N: P is right!

M: Hey, I can go closer to the end, just to mix it up a bit.

A: See what you've done? You're making a mess!

Z: Just you wait – this will be great!

O: O is for owl.

N: N is for night.

H: H is for hat.

G: H, dear, it's not our turn yet!

H: Just because you all want to be different doesn't mean I do. I happen to like being right where I always am.

(A leaves)

G: She's got a point.

Q: Just hurry up, or we'll never get to the end.

Z: GO WHEREVER YOU WANT!

S: Okay, I'll go. S is for snake.

I: I is for insect.

V: V is for violin.

J: J is for jack-o'-lantern.

E: E is for Earth.

F: F is for flowers. And fairies.

V: Hey, I didn't get to pick two things. I think I should get another turn.

X: I don't have much to choose from.

K: You've had your turn. Let someone else go.

Z: No more turns! JUST MOVE IT ALONG!

T: T is for taxi and train.

L: L is for lemons and lollipops.

K: K is for kangaroo and kites.

C: C is for cat and canary in cages.

V: V is for –

Z: I said, NO MORE TURNS!

G: Ooh, V is for violence.

R: R is for raindrops and rainbow.

D: D is for dragon and damsel in distress.

G: G is for green garden and great gorilla.

B: B is for big beautiful balloons blowing briskly in the breeze above a bevy of bright blue bouncing balls.

M: M is for monster.

Q: Q is for queen.

Q: (*Looking around*) Is that it? Am I last?

C: No, A's going to be last.

T: Is that everyone else, though?

O: I can't tell, now that we're all mixed up.

L: HAS EVERYONE HAD THEIR TURN?

I: WAIT, WAIT! U's been in the bathroom.

E: She missed the whole thing!

U: Do you still want me?

D: We're not complete without U!

B: Get up there, U!

U: U is for umbrella and unicorn. And unique.

F: All right! That's everyone. We're ready for A.

Q: A? Where are you?

X: I haven't seen her since H.

J: Jeepers, when was that?

Y: YIKES! You guys have to see this!

A: A is for apple, accident, accordion, acorn, acrobat, airplane, alligator, ambulance, anchor, angel, angle, ant, Antarctica, archer, arrow, artichoke, artist, artwork, author, avenue, and ALPHABET.

All (except A): WOW! What a way to end it!

Z: That was really good. I'm sorry I was pushy at the beginning.

A: Apology accepted.

H: So we call all go back to normal now?

Z: Yes. We should definitely go back to normal.

All: (cheer)

A: Hey, Z? Next time just ask, okay?

Z: Next time?

All: (*Groan*)

All: The End