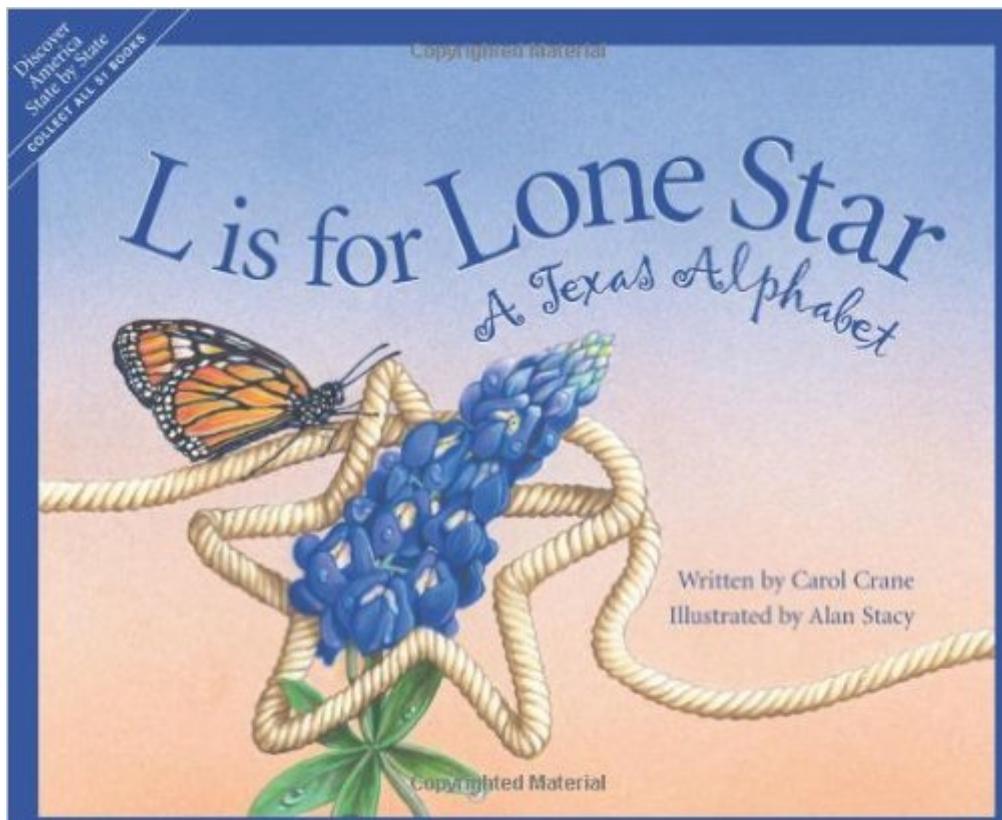


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# L Is For Lone Star: A Texas Alphabet (Alphabet Series)



## **Synopsis**

There are enough special people, wildlife, and natural wonders in the Lone Star State to fill several alphabet books, and Sleeping Bear Press has picked out the finest to represent Texas in *L is for Lone Star: A Texas Alphabet*. Author Carol Crane has worked for twenty-five years reviewing, lecturing and enjoying children's literature. She is a respected national educational presenter, speaking at state and regional reading conventions across the United States. As a historian, Carol loves to read all historical markers. She is still stopping and reading them across Texas. Illustrator Alan Stacy is a self-taught artist, but his first practical art lessons came at age 6 from his mother, Jeanne, who is a fine artist. His father Fearn, an Air Force pilot and officer, took the family to Germany, Virginia, Alaska and New Mexico before settling in Texas in 1975. The time they spent outdoors siteseeing, camping and hiking in the American West and Pacific Northwest instilled within Alan a profound love of animals and nature, which is reflected in his art. With poems to engage younger readers and text to give further details for older students, *Lone Star* is a fantastic tool for sharing Texan pride with the ones you love. So lasso a copy of *L is for Lone Star* and get ready for a very special ride through the alphabet!

## **Book Information**

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## Customer Reviews

This book is part of Sleeping Bear Press' State Alphabet series. Now, some of these books need some liberal stretching to get 26 verses of relevant information. Not this one, though. We're talking Texas here. If there's one state that could easily fill an ABC book, it's the Lone Star State. Carol Crane has done a very nice job selecting a wide range of Texas locations, events, and people to use in this book. Besides the usual suspects, such as the Alamo, the book mentions Scott Joplin, armadillos, Quanah Parker, Spindletop, Dr. Pepper, and, of course, bluebonnets. The book's layout, like that of the others in this series, features a very interesting two-tiered system. The main flow of the book is carried by a series of 4-line verses, one per letter. This portion is suitable for reading to pre-readers. Along the sides of each page, relevant factoids are given, further illuminating the main verse. This makes the book hold appeal for older readers, probably even up to 4th or 5th graders. Alan Stacy's well-drawn illustrations bring the subjects to life, especially for younger readers. I found this book to be a great way to deliver a working knowledge of Texas. Highly Recommended.

A Texas alphabet, but it's also so much more! It can be read simply as "L is for Lonestar" or "T is for Texas", BUT the cool thing is each alphabet page also has some pretty good facts and story relating to the "word" associated with the letter. The facts/stories, words, and are are also fun to flip through randomly and talk about. Great for all ages!!

This is such a wonderful book! I commend the author for filling it with all kinds of wonderful, educational, and entertaining facts about Texas. It is a great teaching tool and I would recommend it for the classroom as well. Each letter is presented in verse, which children AND adults retain much easier. Being a proud Texan already, this book helped many elements of our wonderful state resurface in my memory as well as teaching me a few new things to additionally be proud of. If I was a teacher, I would want this entire series in my classroom. I give 5 LONE STARS to the author and illustrator!

The Discover America alphabet series are great books for all readers! Elementary age can read them and they are full of great state facts and history. I love reading through them each time I get my hands on a new one.

I love this book and use this to introduce symbols of Texas in 4th Grade Texas History. Any Texan

would love it though-especially fun ones like, "D is for Dr. Pepper." :) My kiddos listened really well to this story read aloud. It has great facts to back up the simple alphabet sentences but yet the facts don't have to be read to enjoy the story.Could also be given as a gift to a Texan or from a Texan...

I sent this book to my 5 year old grandson who has moved to Texas and is starting kindergarten. I found that it was much more a book about Texas than an alphabet book. While it was pretty and enjoyable enough to read, it did little to improve his grasp of letter sounds as some of the letter associations seemed a stretch and not what a kindergartener would get.

I am going to use this next year with my students. They will then make a Texas ABC book of their own. I love it!

This is a nice book for a range of young ages. Really like that it goes beyond the basic alphabet book and provides some interesting historic notes about Texas.

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