




POLLY PORCUPINE'S ACTIVITIES

MAKE PIZZA WORDS WITH POLLY!

-  Print page 2 with two pizzas and six letter circles. Cut off the strip at the bottom of the page, and then cut out each letter circle. Now color the pizzas if you like!
-  The top pizza has “a-p” in the second and third circles, with a space for you to add a letter in the first circle. One at a time, add one of the letter circles and sound out the word you have made!
-  The bottom pizza has “i-p” in the second and third circles, with a space for you to add a letter in the first circle. One at a time, add one of the letter circles and sound out the word you have made!

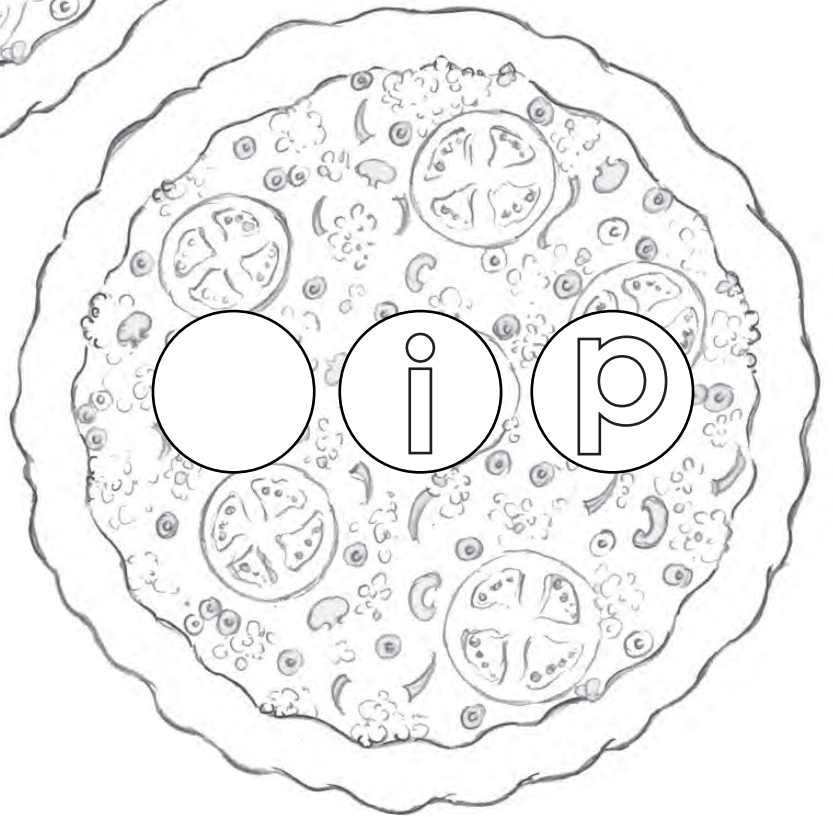
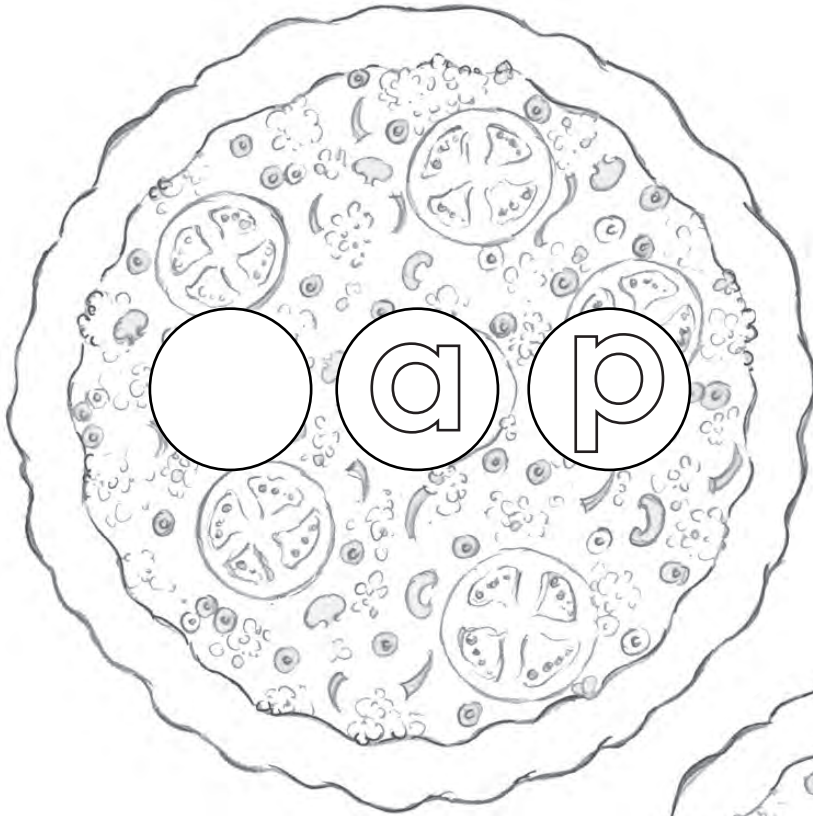
JUST FOR FUN!

What do you think the letter circles should be? Pepperoni? Tomatoes? Onions?

What are your favorite pizza toppings?

If playing this game made you hungry for pizza, try the recipe for Polly's Mini-Pizzas! (See page 5.)





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PAINT A PICTURE FOR ALPHA BETTY'S ART SHOW!



GET READY

-  Print the picture frame on page 4 or make your own frame.
-  Gather the following items: newspaper, paints, brushes, and a pot of water. Cut a piece of paper that is small enough to fit inside the picture frame. (Note: You might want to use crayons, colored pencils, or colored markers instead of paints.)

GET SET

-  Place your supplies on the newspaper—just like Polly did.
-  Choose a subject to paint: someone in your family, your pet, your favorite food, a flower, or something else.

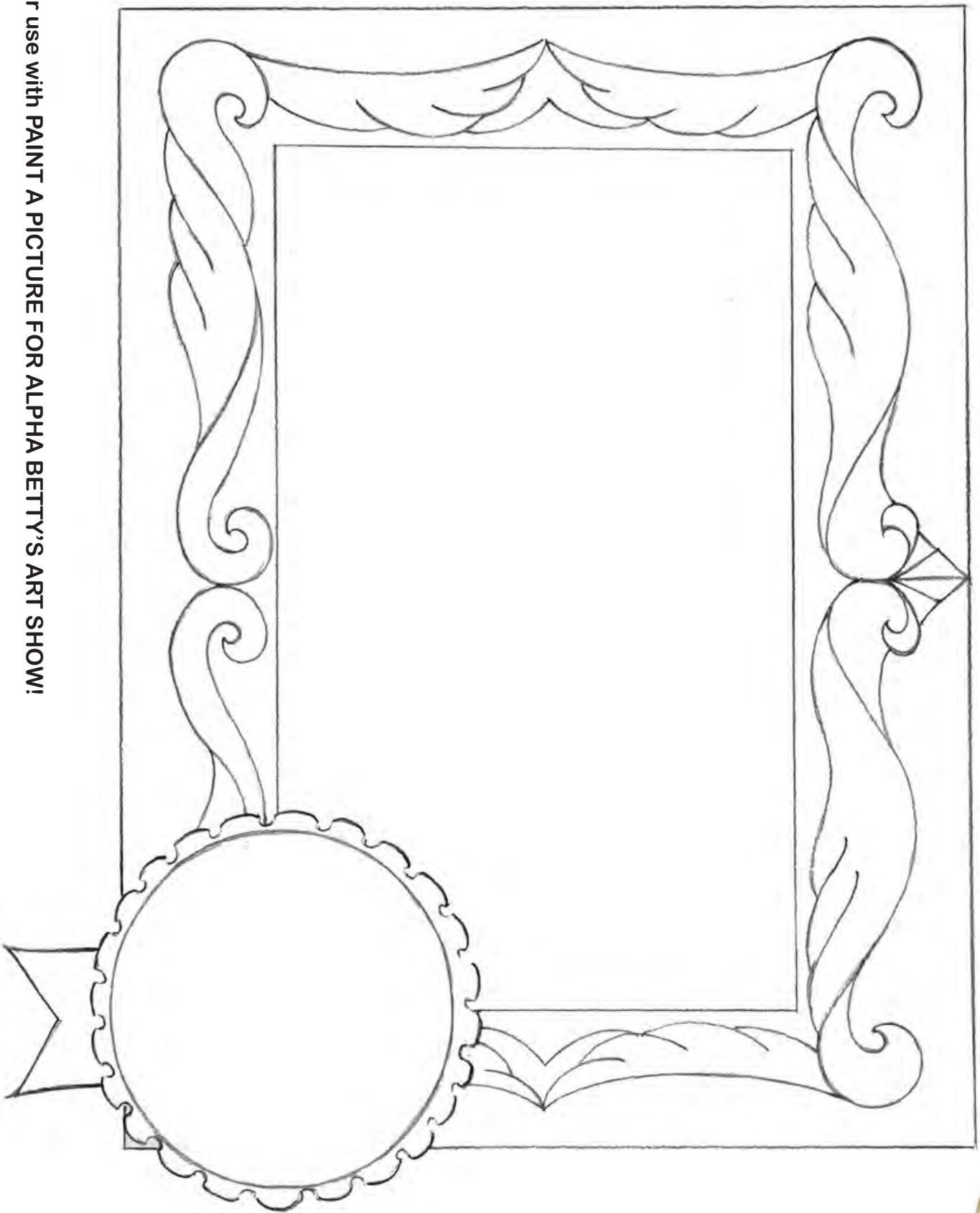
GO!

-  Begin painting. (You may even paint the frame if you like!)
-  When your painting is dry, tape it to the refrigerator or to the front door where everyone can enjoy it!

JUST FOR FUN

What “prize” do you think Alpha Betty would give YOUR painting? Have someone write the words for your prize inside the prize ribbon circle!





For use with PAINT A PICTURE FOR ALPHA BETTY'S ART SHOW!



Hi, kids!

Can you say this five times fast: "Polly Porcupine eats a peck of pretty pepper mini-pizzas"?
(Even if you can't say it five times fast, you'll still LOVE eating the pizzas!)

Your pal,









Polly Porcupine



POLLY PORCUPINE'S PRETTY PEPPER MINI-PIZZAS

(Remember! Ask an adult for permission and help before you start.)

Prepare ingredients:

-  4 English muffins, split and lightly toasted
-  1 small (6 oz.) can tomato sauce
-  1 Tablespoon olive oil
-  1/2 cup sweet purple or white onion, cut in 1-inch strips
-  1 cup of colorful bell peppers, cut in 1-inch strips (use mix of red, yellow, orange, and/or green)
-  1/2 cup canned artichoke hearts, cut in lengthwise strips
-  1/4 cup black olives, cut in rounds
-  1 1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese



Assemble mini-pizzas:

- Preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Arrange the 8 lightly toasted English muffin halves on a cookie sheet or tray.
- Spread a tablespoon of tomato sauce on each muffin half.
- Add the olive oil, onions, and peppers to a skillet and stir-fry until vegetable are tender.
- Add artichoke hearts and olives to the skillet and stir-fry until heated through.
- Divide the vegetables among the 8 muffins.
- Place a heaping spoonful of shredded cheese on top of each muffin, pressing it down firmly.
- Bake mini-pizzas at 375 degrees Fahrenheit for 8–10 minutes . . . until cheese is melted. Watch pizzas closely! When they're cool enough to eat . . . enjoy!



(Of course, you can leave out ingredients that you don't like!)

Be sure to add this recipe to your Animal Antics recipe folder.

NOTE TO PARENT/TEACHER: Make sure children are not allergic to any of the ingredients in this recipe.