# First Sound: A or O?

Kindergarten-Grade 1 | Phonemic awareness | Phonics | Color

Learner: _____ Date: _____

**Say or listen to each word. Circle A if it begins with short /a/ as in apple. Circle O if it begins with short /o/ as in octopus.**

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| **APPLE**<br><br>**A O** | **OCTOPUS**<br><br>**A O** |
| **ANT**<br><br>**A O** | **OX**<br><br>**A O** |
| **ANKLE**<br><br>**A O** | **OTTER**<br><br>**A O** |

**Grown-up check: apple-A; octopus-O; ant-A; ox-O; ankle-A; otter-O.**

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