Getting Started with Osmo ABCs

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What’s Included?

To play Osmo ABCs, you’ll need the following items from the Osmo Little Genius Starter Kit.

**Sticks & Rings**

- 8 pink short stick pieces
- 6 light long stick blue pieces
- 6 red curved pieces
- 6 dark blue curved pieces
- 4 green curved pieces
- 4 purple circular pieces
- 4 orange curved pieces

**Play Mat**

![Play Mat Image]

**Osmo Base**

![Osmo Base Image]
Main Menu Navigation

Accessing your myOsmo Account
Tap (or your avatar, if you’re already logged in) in the upper right corner to view the myOsmo account screen. See this guide to myOsmo accounts and profiles for more information.

Language
The default language automatically selects based on the default language setting of your device. ABCs is currently offered in English (US), English (UK), French, and Dutch.

Start Playing
Tap to start playing ABCs. If this is your first time playing, Mo will show you how to play.

Returning to the Main Menu
From any screen, tap or to bring up the Settings screen. Next, tap to go to the Main Menu.

Resetting Progress
You can reset your game progress from the Main Menu. Tap , then tap to return to the Main Menu.

Next, tap in the upper left corner and tap ‘Reset Progress’. Be careful! All progress and unlocks will be lost and reset.

Game Settings
You can edit the game settings from the Main Menu. Tap , then tap to return to the Main Menu.

Tap in the upper left corner to access the Difficulty, Phonics, Hints, and Sound settings.

Difficulty
This slider automatically suggests settings based on the age selected at the beginning of gameplay. These can also be customized based on you and your child’s preferences.
**Phonics**
There are 4 levels of phonics difficulty that you can manually toggle on and off to be included in the word selection:

1. **Sounds A-Z (this toggle cannot be turned off)**
   a. Features basic phonic sounds for all letters. Here we choose simple words that reflect the sounds they make. Words like “cat”, “apple”, and “lock” all begin with basic phonics sounds.

2. **Digraphs**
   a. Digraphs are when two letters are combined to create a distinct sound. Digraphs that we include here are “sh”, “ph”, “ch”, “th”, and “wh”.

3. **Blends**
   a. The blends featured here are two letter consonant blends. Words like “frog”, “tractor”, and “sweet” all start with a two-letter blend.

4. **Long Vowels**
   a. Long vowels are when vowels sound like the letter. Examples of words that start with long vowels are “ocean”, “ear”, “ape”, and “ice”.

**Hints**
When automatic letter hints are on, Mo will automatically demonstrate how to build a letter out of the Sticks & Rings. When this option is turned off, Mo will show a picture of the letter, but not demonstrate how to build it.

When automatic doodle suggestions are on, Mo will automatically suggest how to make a doodle of the word. When this is off, kids will not see the doodle suggestion and can make anything they want.

**Sound**
When Mo’s sound singing is turned on, Mo will dance and sing the phonetic pronunciation. When this option is turned off, Mo will simply say the phonetic pronunciation without singing and dancing.
Game Setup

To get started, grab your Osmo Base, Play Mat and Sticks & Rings!

1. Set up your tablet device in your Osmo Base. Make sure you have the Osmo ABCs game app installed and ready to play.

2. Remove your Sticks & Rings from the stackable container. Set them aside within easy reach.

3. Place your Play Mat in front of the Osmo Base and tap on the game app.
Mo’s Travel Log

Mo needs your help filling out his travel book. Create letters and pictures while Mo tells the story:

1. Mo will present you with two travel photos. Choose which photo you’d like to complete and tap to select it. If this is your first time playing, Mo will begin the game with just one photo.

2. Magic letters will then appear on the photo. Tap any letter to start creating.

3. Tapping on the upper/lowercase A buttons at the bottom of the screen will switch the letter case of the letters on the postcard.
Making Magic Letters

Use your Sticks & Rings to create the magic letter shown on the screen:

1. Mo will show you how you can make the letter out of Sticks & Rings. Place your Sticks & Rings in the same way on the Play Mat.

2. When you are happy with your letter, tap ☑️ for Mo to bring it into the game. Your magic letter will appear on the screen next to the example. Mo will look at your letter and tell you what he thinks of it.

3. If you would like to try again, tap ⏪ to start over. Otherwise, tap ➡️ to go to the next step.
Making Pictures

After you’ve completed the magic letter, Mo will read or sing a related phonics sound. Then he’ll ask you to make a picture that matches the letter and sound:

1. Mo will suggest how you can make the picture with the Sticks & Rings. Place your Sticks & Rings in the same way on the Play Mat or come up with a new way. Be creative!

2. When you are happy with your picture, tap ✔️ for Mo to bring it into the game. Your picture will appear on screen.

3. If you would like to try again, tap 🔄 to start over. If you’re happy with it, tap ➤ to see your picture in the Mo’s travel log photo.
Finish the Travel Book Photo

Your picture will appear in Mo’s travel book photo. Complete all three letters to finish the photo.

1. If you haven’t completed all three images yet, tap another letter to start playing.

2. Otherwise, if you’ve finished all three pictures, tap to choose another photo from Mo’s travel book.
Best Practices for Effective Osmo Detection

1. Keep hands and fingers away from game pieces after placing them so that Osmo can see it.
2. Keep the reflector placed squarely in the center so the camera can see the play space.
3. Play in a well-lit room, without hard shadows.
4. Make sure the reflector is clean.
5. Make sure you are using a device that is compatible with Osmo. Please check this list of Osmo-compatible devices.
6. If you experience any issues despite this setup, please reach out to support@playosmo.com for assistance.

Other Questions

**What do I do if I lose a piece?**

Please reach out to support@playosmo.com for assistance.

**Can I clean the pieces?**

Yes! The Sticks & Rings are made from food-grade silicone and are dishwasher safe. We recommend you place them in a fabric mesh bag before placing them in your dishwasher to keep them neatly in place. To clean the Play Mat, wash by hand using gentle soap, a soft cloth and water.