

Instructor Page

These exercises provide practice reading and writing abbreviations for the months of the year. Begin with phonemic awareness activities (oral), then progress to the written exercises A-D.

Let's practice saying the months of the year. We'll group them three months at a time. Repeat after me. Here we go.

1-2-3	January, February, March	(Students repeat)
4-5-6	April, May, June	(Students repeat)
7-8-9	July, August, September	(Students repeat)
10-11-12	October, November, December	(Students repeat)

Let's say the name of each month, then clap its syllables or beats. Like this:

January, (clap) Jan – u – a – ry

(Repeat as above for all twelve months.)

- A. *Sometimes you will see the months of the year abbreviated (made shorter) by printing the first three letters. Quite often we write the number of the month from 1-12 instead of printing the letters. Look at the chart for examples of common month abbreviations. You can use any one. They all work. (Go over chart with students.)*

Look at these abbreviations for months of the year. Read them by saying the full name aloud.

1. <u>Feb.</u>	2. <u>4</u>	3. <u>Jul.</u>	4. <u>Mar.</u>	5. <u>8</u>	6. <u>Jun.</u>	7. <u>Jan.</u>
8. <u>5</u>	9. <u>Sept.</u>	10. <u>Nov.</u>	11. <u>Dec.</u>	12. <u>10</u>	13. <u>Aug.</u>	14. <u>Oct.</u>

- B. *I will say the name of a month. Circle the correct abbreviation for the month.*

1. <i>August</i>	Oct.	10	Aug.
2. <i>February</i>	Fab.	Fb.	2
3. <i>July</i>	Jul.	6	Jun.
4. <i>April</i>	Apr.	Apl.	3
5. <i>June</i>	Jul.	6	Joon
6. <i>January</i>	Jar.	2	Jan.
7. <i>November</i>	No.	10	Nov.
8. <i>September</i>	8	Sept.	Spt.
9. <i>October</i>	Okt.	Oct.	9
10. <i>December</i>	Deb.	12	Dem.

C. *I will say the name of a month. Write an abbreviation using letters. When we are done, you will look at your list of abbreviations and “read” the full names aloud.*

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| 1. <i>February</i> | 2. <i>May</i> | 3. <i>July</i> | 4. <i>September</i> |
| 5. <i>March</i> | 6. <i>June</i> | 7. <i>August</i> | 8. <i>October</i> |
| 9. <i>April</i> | 10. <i>November</i> | 11. <i>January</i> | 12. <i>March</i> |

D. *I will say the name of a month. Write an abbreviation using a number. When we are done, you will look at your list of abbreviations and “read” the full names aloud.*

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| 1. <i>March</i> | 2. <i>June</i> | 3. <i>August</i> | 4. <i>October</i> |
| 5. <i>April</i> | 6. <i>July</i> | 7. <i>September</i> | 8. <i>November</i> |
| 9. <i>May</i> | 10. <i>December</i> | 11. <i>February</i> | 12. <i>April</i> |

Student Worksheet

The Months of the Year

A. Read these aloud. Say the full month name.

1. Feb. 2. 4 3. Jul. 4. Mar. 5. 8 6. Jun. 7. Jan.
8. 5 9. Sep. 10. Nov. 11. Dec. 12. 10 13. Aug. 14. Oct.

B. Circle the correct abbreviation for the month you hear.

1. Oct. 10 Aug.
2. Fab. Fb. 2
3. Jul. 6 Jun.
4. Apr. Apl. 3
5. Jul. 6 Joon
6. Jar. 2 Jan.
7. No. 10 Nov.
8. 8 Sept. Spt.
9. Okt. Oct. 9
10. Deb. 12 Dem.

C. Write an abbreviation using LETTERS for the month you hear.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____
8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 12. _____

D. Write an abbreviation using NUMBERS for the month you hear.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____
8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 12. _____