Simon Says Letters

Purpose & SOL
• The students will be able to recognize the alphabet letters.
• Language Arts K.7a

Materials
• Letter cards - If focusing on only a few letters (confusing ones like b, d, p, q, etc.) then make class copies of those few letters.

Introduction
As a class, warm up and get ready for the lesson by moving along to Dr. Jean’s “Lettercise.” Find the video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f-J1Qm10uXk

Implementation

1. Give each student a set of alphabet cards or put students in pairs if playing with a full set. OR give students the few selected letters you’re focusing on for this lesson.
2. Play Simon Says using commands such as, “Simon Says, touch the letter F with your pinky. Simon says, place the letter S on the floor. Simon says, place the letters D and P on your shoe.”
3. Instead of eliminating students for doing the motion if “Simon didn’t say”, they will do 3 jumping jacks and are allowed back into the game!

Cool Down
Play a game of “Simon Says” stretch. Quietly say a stretch for the students to mirror, such as a forward fold, and count together to 10. After you are finished stretching, make sure to tell students that the game is over and have them repeat to you, “game over.”

Modifications
This game is best for only using a small set of letters at a time or it can be played in a small group setting.

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