ACTIVITY 1.

**Study the definition:** Alliteration is the repetition of the same sounds or of the same kinds of sounds at the beginning of words.

**Learn which words alliterate. Examples:**

Nine nanny goats nudging noisily. All begin with an “n” sound stressed on the first part of the word. “Rabbits running over roses.” All begin with an “r” sound stressed on the first part of the word.

**Learn which words do not alliterate. Examples:**

1. If the beginning sound of the word does not sound the same in words beginning with the same letters, the words do not alliterate. “Shiver” and “sun” both begin with the letter “s” but do not alliterate because they do not have the same sound.

2. If the beginning sound of a word is not stressed, as in the word “adorn,” it does not alliterate with other words that begin with the same letter that is stressed, as in the word “ape.” “Adorn” and “ape” both begin with the letter “a” but do not alliterate.

“Below the belt.”
Alliteration.

ACTIVITY 2: Write an alliteration using your first name.

Try to write a long sentence in which many words start with that letter. The sentence should make sense even if it is not sensible. A good way of building such a sentence is to first construct a core phrase: noun (Henry/Hazel) - verb (hurries) - noun (home)...

Surround each of the words in the phrase with adjectives and adverbs, then lengthen it by conjunction and preposition and build up supplementary phrases:

Example: Harried Hazel/Henry hastily hurries home to do her/his humongous amount of homework.

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Alliteration.

**ACTIVITY 3:**

Literature is full of common phrases that are examples of alliteration. Some are:

- down in the dumps
- do or die
- right as rain
- sink or swim
- pay the price
- Coca-Cola
- back to the basics
- green as grass
- live the life
- sweet smell of success
- a dime a dozen
- bigger and better
- jump for joy
- worthy warrior
- mighty mountain

Many characters have names that alliterate:

Lex Luther, Lois Lane, and Clark Kent; Daffy Duck, Donald Duck, Daisy Duck; King Kong; Minnie Mouse, Mickey Mouse, Woody Woodpecker; Fred Flintstone; Beetle Bailey; Phineas and Ferb; Scott Summers, Peter Parker, Sue Storm. Sports Teams: Seattle Seahawks, Los Angeles Lakers, Jacksonville Jaguars, New Jersey Nets, Cleveland Cavaliers, San Antonio Spurs, Pittsburgh Pirates, Boston Bruins.

**Tongue Twisters:** "Round and round the rugged rock the ragged rascal ran," and "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers." “She sells sea shells by the seashore.” “Betty Botter bought some butter.” “A busy buzzing bumblebee went busily buzzing by.”
The Princess Fairy

The Princess Fairy flies at night,
Her dress has diamonds dazzling bright.
Her crimson curls glow on her gown,
As from the stars she flutters down.

She comes to children in their beds,
And waves her wand above their heads.
She helps them have delightful dreams,
Of fresh fruit frappes and crispy creams.

Of toads that talk and tell tall tales,
Of worms that walk and skunks with sails.
Of rams that read and wrens that write,
Of sloths that speed and buttercups that bite.

Of fish that fly and snakes that sing,
Of purple pie and roses that ring.
Of pigs with pails and sheep with shells,
Of super snails and bugs with bells.

The Princess Fairy flies at night,
So make sure you are tucked in tight.

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