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To Read  
@ Dallas

**Every Child Ready To Read @ Dallas Craft Connections**

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*Kathy Ross Crafts Letter Shapes and Kathy Ross Crafts Letter Sounds.*

The Letter Shapes crafts use an alphabet letter to make an item starting with that letter. For example, the letter E becomes an Elephant. You could use a die cutter to cut out the letter shapes.

I also do not know how many of you are familiar with Ms. Ross' story based craft book series.

Titles include:

- *Crafts from Your Favorite Children's Songs*
- *Crafts From Your Favorite Children's Stories*
- *Crafts From Your Favorite Nursery Rhymes*
- *Crafts From Your Favorite Fairy Tales*

These projects might be a little advanced for younger children, but there are some great ideas in them that the librarian could use for props. For example, in the Favorite Children's Songs book there is a craft for Old MacDonald's Farm using a red envelope that you turn into a barn. You then put cutout animals in the "barn" and pull them out one at a time as you sing the song. You could give each child an envelope and have them cut animal pictures out of magazines to put in their own barn (or Zoo, Circus Tent, etc. the sky's the limit).