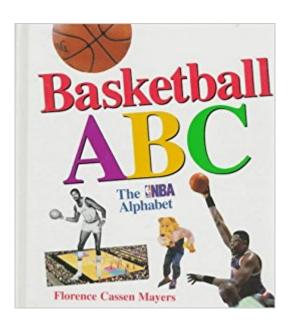


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# **Basketball ABC: The NBA Alphabet**





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This book is for basketball fans of all ages. Brilliant color action shots, detailed close-ups, and fascinating captions celebrate today's hottest game. Michael Jordan takes a jump shot and hangs in the air on the J page. Want to know the average height of NBA players? Look under H. Kids and parents alike will cheer this collection of basketball's most exciting moves, personalities, and moments.

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