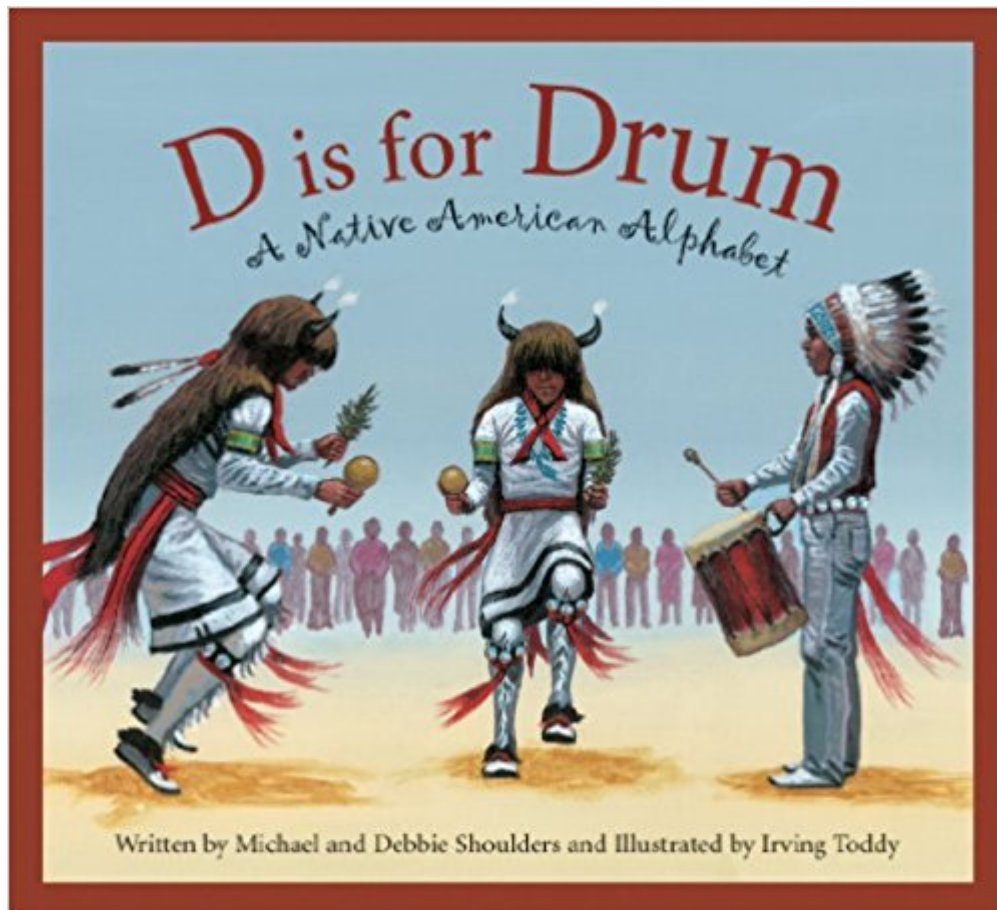




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# D Is For Drum: A Native American Alphabet (Sleeping Bear Alphabets)



## Synopsis

Did you know that natives of the Northwest used dried sharkskin to sand totem poles? Or that horses were called medicine dogs, because dogs had been used to aid in hunting before horses were introduced by Europeans? In "D is for Drum: A Native America Alphabet," readers will get an A-Z introduction to the many customs and cultures of the first people of this beautiful land. Bison, teepees, Kachinas and dugout canoes will all help to paint a fascinating picture of the more than 500 indigenous tribes inhabiting the Americas.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 4

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 4—This title presents elements of Native American culture, arranged alphabetically. Rhyming text meant to be read aloud is paired with side panels offering more information on each topic. Earth-tone paintings of indigenous Americans in traditional dress accompany each topic. Unfortunately, most of the faces lack individuality and some are oddly distorted. Some topics, such as Osage Orange Tree, seem to have been selected more out of convenience than logic. The poetry is clunky, and no pronunciation guide is offered. Moreover, listeners may have difficulty differentiating between the many Native cultures if exposed to the rhyming text alone. Some side-panel explanations are confusing, most notably the description of

potlatch. cursory mention is made of modern nations, but the focus is clearly on elements of traditional culture. — Jayne Damron, Farmington Community Library, MI Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Having been involved in education for more than 30 years, Dr. Michael Shoulders travels extensively, visiting schools and speaking at conferences across the country. In addition to authoring the companion title, *Say Daddy!*, he has written several books for Sleeping Bear Press, including *G is for Gladiator: An Ancient Rome Alphabet*. Mike lives in Clarksville, Tennessee. Debbie and Michael Shoulders also coauthored *D is for Drum: A Native American Alphabet*. Debbie teaches middle school and reviews children's literature. An educator for 30 years, Mike now writes and travels year-round, championing literacy. He has written 10 books for Sleeping Bear Press. They live in Clarksville, Tennessee.

### Perfect for Birthday Present

A beautiful book I donated it to a library and they were so pleased to add it to their young people's collection.

The information is extensive for first grade but I couldn't determine that online. I still used it. There was so much to get from the facts in the book.

This book is more detailed than I thought but it is a great read. Well thought out with beautiful illustrations. Some information is Nation or Tribe specific but the information is conveyed with love and respect. I am impressed. I read it over and over again to my children.

As part of the Third Grade curriculum we study several California tribes. This is an excellent source of information about other Native Americans that I like to introduce to my students. They enjoyed listening to the descriptions and looking at the various illustrations. It was filled with interesting facts that made learning about various tribes and their symbolisms meaningful and part of the curriculum.

Michael Shoulders is a dedicated author and educator and his books for Sleeping Bear Press reflect that dedication. Readers -- young and old -- should learn all they can about Native American culture, and *D is for Drum* is a great place to start.

We bought this for a Native American Music instruments report and my daughter totally enjoyed it and is still actively learning about Native Americans.

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