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Around the World in 29 letters

Jorda rundt på 29 bokstaver

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"Around the world in 29 letters" is the second book about the playful and slightly odd middle aged couple Alf and Beate. The first book, "28 rooms and a kitchen" (2004), is about their house, where each room has the shape of a letterform. The book is a tour of their house and at the same time a look through the alphabet.

"Around the world in 29 letters" (the Norwegian alphabet has 29 letters) tells the stories of the couple's different holidays together.

Each letter in the alphabet is linked to a destination and on each doublepage spread, the shape of the letter is integrated in the picture. This makes each letter a riddle, and the reader can go treasure hunting for numerous hidden letters in all the illustrations. The book plays with letters, words and puns and also gives an impression of all the different places they go to.

The books about Alf and Beate can be read on different levels by children of all ages, and encourages reading, learning, curiosity and imagination.



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