

# Zachary, the 'Zany' Zebra

(Find 11 Letter Z,z).

## Z' Letter Glossary:

<b>zany</b> - silly behavior	<b>zest, zesty, zestful</b> - full of energy and joy
<b>zing</b> - to move along swiftly	<b>zig-zag</b> - a series of sharp turns and direction changes

Zachary Zebra was full of zest! He zoomed across the room.

He went zig-zag through the chairs,  
and spilled the crayons everywhere!

He zipped in and out the classroom door,  
and zinged across the classroom floor.

The children thought it was a blast  
to see a Zebra in the class.

“Zachary!” the teacher cried, “this will never do.

If you act like an animal,  
you will have to go live in a zoo!”

THE END

# Did You Know?

- Zebras are in the Horse Family with donkeys
- No two zebras have the same pattern of stripes
- All zebras live in Africa
- The 3 types of zebras are: Common Plains Zebra (Least Concern); Grevy's semi-desert Zebra (Endangered); and the Mountain Zebra (Vulnerable)
- A 'zebra crossing' is a 'pedestrian crossing' (for people to walk across a street)
- Zebras sleep standing up
- They live 25 years in the wild
- They can run 65 miles an hour! (cheetah, a predator, runs 70 mph – a close race)
- They are very social, grouping in herds and smaller families
- Zebras can be very aggressive and protective of each other
- They have a strong 'kick' of their hind legs that can be deadly to predators
- This mammal can weigh 700-990 pounds

# True/False Quiz

*Answers are in the Poem and Did You Know*

1. T F Zig-Zag means to “go in a straight line”.
2. T F The children thought Zachary was funny.
3. T F The teacher thought Zachary was funny.
4. T F Zachary acted like an animal because he was an animal!
5. T F Zebras live all over the world.
6. T F Zebras sleep lying down.
7. T F All zebras have the same pattern of stripes.
8. T F Zebras can run 65 miles an hour.
9. T F There are 3 kinds of Zebras.
10. T F Zebras are in the ‘cattle’ family.

# Draw the Zebra

*(Instead of drawing the Zebra, draw Zachary's classroom from the poem)*

