

Handwriting

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YR "patter" to accompany correct letter formation

Curly "c" letters:

- c over the top and round
 - o curly "c" all the way round
 - a curly "c" up, down, flick
 - d curly "c" all the way up, down, flick
 - g curly "c" up, down, give it a tail
 - q curly "c" up, down, kick
 - s curly "c" and round the other way
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- b straight down, up to the middle, round to the bottom
 - h straight down, up to the middle, over and flick
 - l straight down, flick
 - k straight down, up to the middle, loop and a kick
 - p straight down, up to the top, round to the middle
 - t down and round, take your pencil off, and across
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- f over the top, straight down, round the other way and across
 - j straight down, round, give it a dot
 - i short down, round, give it a dot
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- m down, up, over, up, over and flick
 - n down over and flick
 - r down, up and over
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- u down, up, down, flick
 - y down, up, down, give it a tail
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- v down, up
 - w down, up, down, up
 - x across and across
 - z straight, across, straight

Basic handwriting joins

There is no join after capital letters, or the following lower case letters: b, g, j, p, q, s, z

Horizontal join (from a letter which finishes at the top to a letter which starts at the top)

on on on on on

Diagonal join from a letter which finishes at the line to a letter which starts at the top

in in in in in

Diagonal join from a letter which finishes at the line to a letter with an ascender

it it it it it

Diagonal join from a letter which finishes at the top to a letter with an ascender

ot ot ot ot ot

It also helps to teach separately horizontal and diagonal joins to "c" family letters, which require a reversal in the direction of movement:

og og og og og

ad ad ad ad ad