

Handwriting patterns

Round and round

- Round and round garden
- The wheels on the bus
- Hoops
- Circles on a butterfly

Straight/up and down

- Tommy thumb
- Wheels on the bus
- Short and long lines

Curves

- Follow pattern with feet and chalk

Zigzags

- Jack and Jill
- Dinosaur teeth
- Follow pattern with feet and chalk
- Triangles

Spirals and figures of eight

- In and out dusty bluebells
- Follow the pattern with feet/chalk
- Snail spiral in circle on back
- Bend skipping ropes to make

Handwriting families

Ladder - l, i, t
Ladder - u, y
Caterpillar - c, o, s
Caterpillar - a, d
Caterpillar - g, q
Robot letters - r, n
Robot letters - m, p
Robot - b, h
Robot - k Other - e
Other - f, j
Other - v, w
Other - z, x

Number formation

1, 4
2, 3, 7
0, 8, 9
5, 6

Letter formation within words

Caterpillar letters

- as, so, go
- do, dad, sad

Caterpillar+ladder letters

- is, to, at
- all, sat
- cat, got
- sun, sit
- lot, lid
- cot, dig
- cut, coat

Robot letters

- an, no
- am, me
- in, on
- be, she
- he, oh
- or, are
- op, up
- my, by
- him, hop

Capital and Lower case letters

Tall capital and lower case

- Ll, Tt, Hh,
- Kk, Dd, Bb

Tall capital and small lower case

- Aa, Cc, Ss
- Ee, Ii, Uu,
- Rr, Mm, Nn
- Vv, Ww,
- Xx, Zz

Tall capital and hanging lower case

- Jj, Ff, Yy
- Gg, Qq, Pp

Letter size

Small letters
- is, in, am
- on, we me,
- was, can
Tall and small letters
- at, he, be
- the, to, it
- this, let, hot
- had, her, she
- have, said, went
- where, and, like
- there, their, door
- when, what, both
Small and hanging letters
- up, my,
- go, you
- yes, pig
- your, poor
- any, many
Tall, small, hanging letters
- get, big
- day, hug
- pat, hip
- dog, lay
- put, push, hid
- they, by, pot
- here, love, boy
- full, today, cup
- girl, why, dig

Joined handwriting (Slope joins)

Slope joins to ladder letters
- ul, ti, el
- ai, ay,
- mi, my
- il, all, it
Slope joins to caterpillar letters
- ea, ed
- eg, es
- is, ic
- as, has
- ag, tag
- to, do, no
Slope joins to robot letters
- ar, car, tar
- an, can, am
- im, him, ip, tip
- er, her, en, ten
- ur, un, sun, um
- ab, tab, ik, eb
Slope joins to zigzag/other
- ew, new, chew
- aw, saw, claw
- af, after, if

Joined handwriting (Bridge joins)

Bridge joins - 'o' to small letters
- oa, toad, oo, look
- om, come, op, hope
- ou, shout, oy, boy
- or, torn, og, log
Bridge joins - 'r' to small letters
- ra, ran, rs, stirs
- ru, run, re, are
- ri, rich, ro, rock
Bridge joins - 'v' to small letters
- va, vase, vi, visit
Bridge joins - 'w' to small letters
- wi, wish, wr, write
Bridge joins from 'f'
- fi, finish, fr, free
- fo, form, fa, face
Bridge joins - 'o' to tall letters
- ot, hot, ok, spoke
Bridge joins - 'r' to tall letters
- rt, hurt, rl, swirl,
- rk, dark, rb, kerb,

Joined handwriting (joining from the base of a letter)

Joining from 's', 'b' and 'p'
- sat, sip, song
- be, bat, bug
- pad, pen, pick

Joined handwriting (High Frequency Words)

Joining high frequency words
- look, come, were
- when, while, which
- from, made, about,
- does, here, your
- goes, where, looked
- work, really, because
- busy, every, also
- could, should, would
- friend, first, finally
Other e.g. proper nouns, days/months