

Teaching Cursive Handwriting

This is how we teach the children to form letters from the very start of Reception. Please continue this at home to support progress.

We teach the letters in a specific order to aid development: s a t p i n m d g o c k ck e u
r h b f ff l ll ss j v w x y z zz qu

a - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around in a circle, down the stick and flick.

b - Start on the line. Stroke the giraffe upwards. STOP. Back down the stick, up around and a flick.

c - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around to stroke the dog's tummy.

d - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around in a circle, up the giraffe's neck, down the stick and flick.

e - Start on the line. Loop the loop and flick.

f - Start on the line. Stroke the giraffe upwards round and touch his nose. Back down the stick and a monkey's tail.

g - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around in a circle, down the stick and a monkey's tail.

h - Start on the line. Stroke the giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, make a tunnel and flick.

i - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick and flick. Dot the i.

j - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick and a monkey's tail. Dot the j.

k - Start on the line. Stroke the giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, up a little round, kick and flick.

l - Start on the line. Stroke the giraffe upwards. Back down the stick and flick.

m - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, make two tunnels and flick.

n - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, make a tunnel and flick.

o - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around in a circle to the top and flick.

p - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, below the line, back up around in a circle and flick.

q - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around in a circle, down the stick below the line and an upwards flick.

r - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, back up, around and a flick.

s - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Round like a snake and flick.

t - Start on the line. Stroke the giraffe upwards. Back down the stick, around and flick. Make a line across.

u - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick and up the next small giraffe, back down and flick.

v - Start on the line. A small stroke up, make the bird's beak peck down and up and flick.

w - Start on the line. A small stroke up, make the bird's beak peck down and up and again and flick.

x - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards around to the line. STOP. Stroke the dog backwards. STOP. Back around to stroke the dog's tummy.

y - Start on the line. Stroke the small giraffe upwards. Back down the stick and up the next small giraffe, back down and a monkey's tail.

z - Start on the line. Stroke the dog backwards around to the line. STOP. Curve around, down below and a monkey's tail.