

Handwriting in Years 1 and 2

Aa Bb Cc Dd

Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii

Jj Kk Ll Mm

Nn Oo Pp Qq

Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv

Ww Xx Yy Zz

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Curly Caterpillar Letters

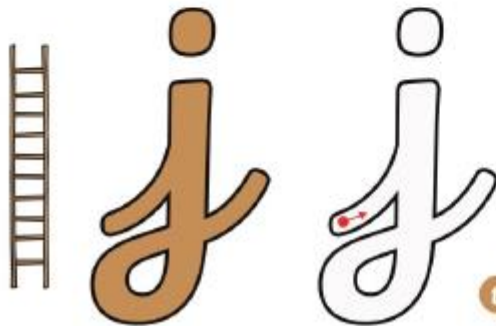
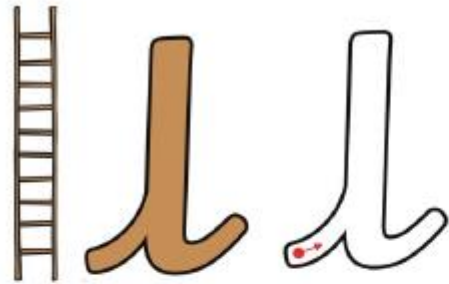


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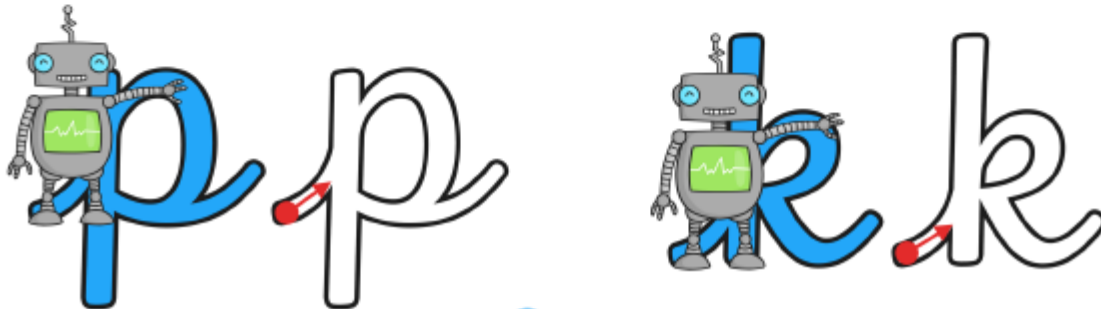
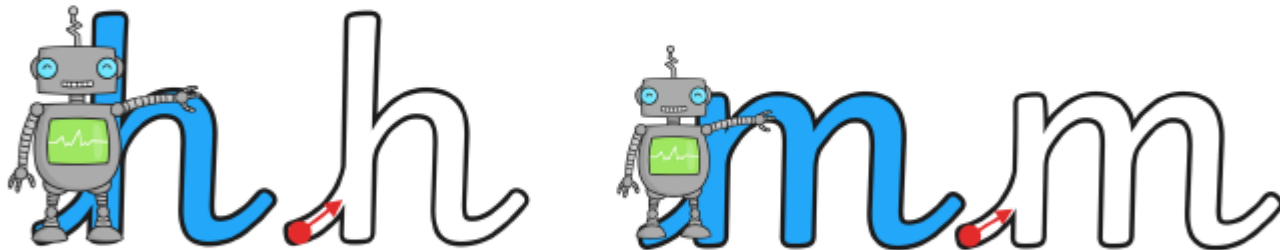
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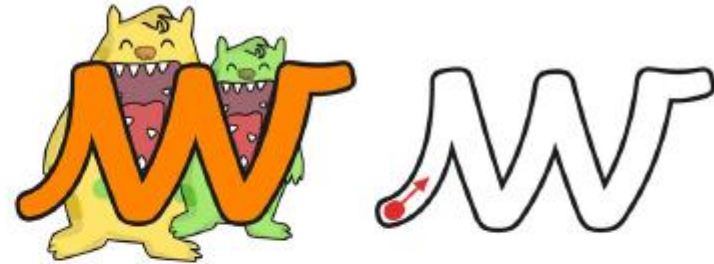
Ladder Letters



One-Armed Robot Letters



Zigzag Monster Letters



Year 1

- Terms 1&2 – Recap printed letter formations practically (using ribbons, chalks, writing in the air) on whiteboards and on wide lines. Teaching clear ascenders, descenders and sensible size of letters.
- Terms 3&4 - Introduce cursive letter formations for those children who have secured the correct printed letter formation. Have a few letters to focus on for the whole week, e.g c, a and o.
- Terms 5&6 – Repeat above and link to formation of capital letters.



Year 2

- Term 1 and 2 – Recap cursive letter formations, both practically and in handwriting books. Recap ascenders, descenders and sensible size of letters. Teach joining of letters focusing on families of letters - practical, on whiteboards and on lines. Teaching clear ascenders, descenders and sensible size of letters.
- Term 3 and 4 – Repeat above. For those children who have secured the correct joins, link teaching of handwriting to the teaching of core spellings.
- Term 5 and 6 - Link teaching of handwriting to teaching of core spellings.



Useful Websites

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2NQ6uS8blwY>