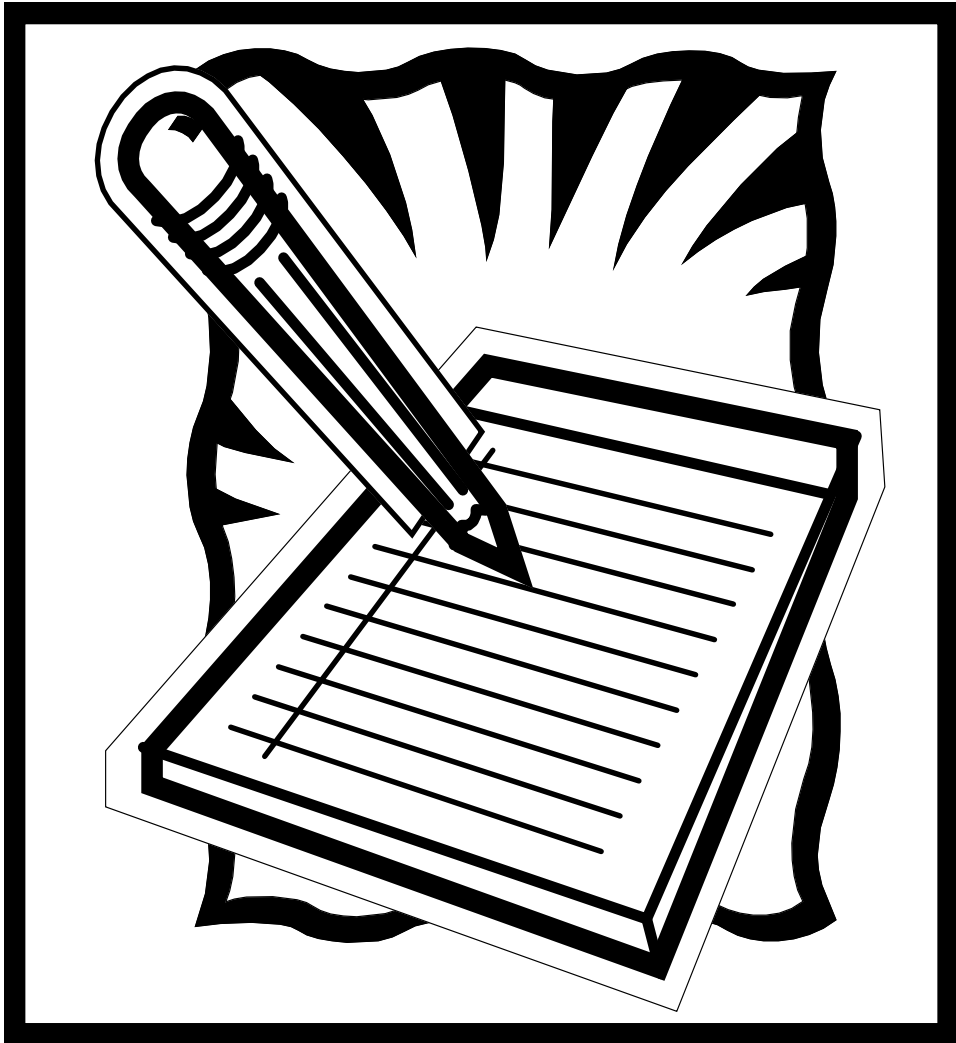


# Handwriting

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# Activities to help develop writing skills

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sorting small objects

posting shapes into different holes

paper tearing, cutting, folding,

colouring activities

tracing activities

using building toys such as Lego

jigsaw puzzles

pegs and peg boards

treading beads and buttons

free drawing and painting

modelling with dough or plasticine

finger rhymes

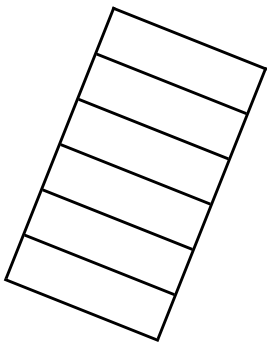
dot to dot games

# Sitting Comfortably

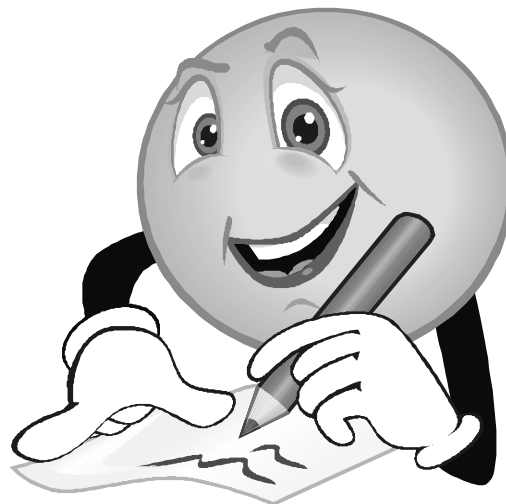
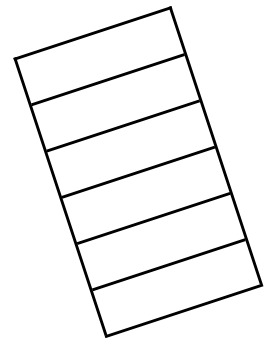
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Children must always be allowed to use the hand which they feel comfortable with.

For right handers the paper should be turned slightly to the left.



For left handers the paper should be turned slightly to the right.



The pencil should be picked up between the thumb and first finger and fall back towards the hand.

It should not be gripped tightly.

# Letters used in school

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Start at the dot and follow the arrow round. The pencil should not leave the paper until the letter is finished.

Anti clockwise motion (start at the top and curve down and round).

č o a d q g

Straight line from the top motion.

l i t j k u y

Downwards motion (left to right).

v w x ž

Down, up and over motion.

m r n b p h

Anti clockwise motion.

e š f

Please only use capital letters at the start of your child's name and not in the middle.

# Capitals and numbers used in school

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## Upper Case Letters (capitals)

À Á Â Ã Ä Å  
Æ Ğ Ĥ Ħ Ĩ Ĵ Ķ  
Ł Ⱥ Ⱥ Ö Ⱥ  
Ǫ Ⱥ Š Ⱥ Ⱥ  
Ⱥ Ⱥ Ⱥ Ⱥ Ⱥ

## Numbers

1 2 3 4 5 6  
7 8 9 0

# What the children need

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Plenty of plain paper e.g. :

*the back of adverts or leaflets  
that come through the door*

*used computer paper*

Different writing tools e.g.:

*crayons*

*pencils*

*felt tips*

*paints*

*pens*

# Showing that writing is important

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Children copy what adults do.  
It helps if your child sees you  
writing :

letters

shopping lists

notes

birthday cards

If you enjoy writing and find it  
an important activity then so  
will your child.

There is also a free online resource that can help with correct letter formation as well as other basic literacy and numeracy skills.

Log on to:

[www.doorwayonline.org.uk](http://www.doorwayonline.org.uk)



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