

Practicing Letters in Lower Case

Teach printing by grouping letters that are similar together. Below, each group of letters has their own visual and verbal hints to help students learn how to move their pencils to form the letters. You and your child can also make your own hints for the letter groups and how to form each letter. The key to success are:

1. Demonstrate and model how to form the letter along with your child. While modelling the letter and say the verbal prompts.
2. Explore different ways to form letters, and make it fun! Forming letters on the carpet, in shaving cream, with crayons, on a whiteboard.
3. Use unlined paper at first, introducing lined paper after your child has the letter formation.
4. Make practice sessions short (5-10 minutes).
5. Letters are taught starting at the top, if you child continues to make their letter from bottom to top, don't sweat it!



Flag Pole Letters

i

- Down
- Dot .

j

- Down
- Make a Curve
- Dot

l

- Down

t

- Down
- Cross

k

- Down
- Slant In
- Slant Out



Half Moon Letters

c

- Half moon

a

- Half Moon.
- Up
- Down

d

- Half Moon
- Way Up High
- Straight Down.

g

- Half Moon
- Up
- Down
- Hook.

q

- Half Moon
- Up
- Down



Bounce Letters

r

- Down
- Up
- Over

n

- Down
- Up
- Over
- Down

m

- Down
- Up Over
- Up Over

h

- Down from high
- Up
- Over

b

- Down
- Up
- Around

p

- Down
- Up
- Around



Mountain Letters

v

- Slant down
- Up

w

- Slant Down
- Up
- Down
- Up

y

- Slant Right
- Slant Left
- Down

x

- Slant Right
- Slant Left.

z

- Across
- Slant
- Across



Goofy Letters

o

- Around

s

- Around
- Curve
- Around

u

- Down
- Curve Up
- Down

f

- Curve
- Down
- Across

e

- Across
- Around
- Stop