

# Handwriting progression of skills From EYFS (Pre stage 1) to Stage 6

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<u>EYFS (Pre stage 1)</u>
1. Circles and spirals
2. Lines and diagonals
3. Jellies and zigzags
4. Loopies and waves
i, l and t
u, w and e
c and o
a and d
n, m and h
j and y
g and q
b, p and k
v, s and r
f, x and z

## Band 1 (Year 1)

Introduce 4 letter families- long ladder letters, curly caterpillar letters, one-armed robots and zig-zag letters
Long Ladder Letters - i, l, t, u, j and y
Curly Caterpillar Letters - a, c, f, e, s and g
One-armed Robot Letters - b, h, k, m, p and r
Zig-zag Letters - v, w, x and z
Capital letters- A, B, C, D and E
Capital letters- F, G, H, I and J
Capital letters- K, L, M, N and O
Capital letters- P, Q, R, S and T

Capital letters- U, V, W, X, Y and Z
Lowercase letters- a, b, c, d and e
Lowercase letters- f, g, h, i and j
Lowercase letters- k, l, m, n and o
Lowercase letters- p, q, r, s and t
Lowercase letters- u, v, w, x, y and z
Numbers- 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
Punctuation- . ? ! , ; " _ " ( ) - '

## Band 2 (Year 2)

Lessons to improve letter formation and orientation of letters through regular practice and to support spelling, grammar and punctuation in readiness for KS1 SATs.

The three sections in this module cover:

1. Letter families, high frequency words, joining practice, sequencing sentences and dictation exercises
2. Further dictation exercises, more high frequency words, 2, 5 and 10 times table facts and SPaG practice for KS1 SATs
3. More dictation and number writing practice

Revisit letter families, high frequency words and dictation exercises
Long Ladder Letters - i, l, t, u, j and y
Curly Caterpillar Letters - a, c, f, e, s and g
One-armed Robot Letters - b, h, k, m, p and r
Zig-zag Letters - v, w, x and z
Diagonal joins- an
Horizontal joins
f, high frequency words and sequencing sentences
k, high frequency words and sequencing sentences
b and d, high frequency words and sequencing sentences
w, high frequency words and sequencing sentences
s, high frequency words and word spacing
z, high frequency words
High frequency words
High frequency words and dictation exercises
Dictation exercises and 2 x tables

Dictation exercises and 5 x tables
Dictation exercises and 10 x tables
Long a sound (a, ay, ei, ai, ey and a-e)
Long e sound (e, ee, ea, y, ey and e-e)
Long i sound (i, y, igh, ie and i-e)
Long o sound (o, oa, ow, oe and o-e)
Long u sound (u, ue, ew, oo, oe and u-e)
Dictation exercises and 3 x tables
Dictation exercises and 4 x tables

## Band 3 (Year 3)

It is designed to improve the legibility, consistency and quality of the children's handwriting through a variety of resources which link handwriting to other areas of the curriculum.

The worksheets for this module cover a variety of curriculum topics: Dictation, double letters, number vocabulary, palindromes, tongue twisters, MFL (French and Spanish), onomatopoeia, simile, WOW words and spellings.

DIY Dictation, graffiti wall (name on paper using cursive lettering)
Double letters- bb and ii
Double letters- cc and verbs ending in 'e'
Double letters- bb and verbs ending in 'e'
Double letters- ee
Irregular verbs- ascenders
Double letters- ff
Double letters gg
Roman numerals
Double letters- ll
Odd and even numbers
Double letters- mm
Palindromes
Double letters- nn
Tongue twisters
Double letters- oo
Double letters- pp
French-colours
Double letters- rr

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Double letters- ss
French-animals
Double letters- tt
French- fruit and veg
Double letters- zz
French- The weather
Onomatopoeia
French- parts of the body
Dictation- comparative (like or as)
Word of the week, use of comparative adjectives in a sentence
Comparative adjectives ending in e, y, comparative adjectives needing a double letter Irregular comparative adjectives
Collective nouns
Synonyms for said

## Band 4 (Year 4)

It focuses on using handwriting practice to support other subjects in the curriculum and, at the same time, builds on fluency and consistency. It aims to promote meaningful links with other subjects such as English, Maths, Science, Geography and French. Making such links enables children to apply the skills they are learning in context and also provides depth to the curriculum.

Learners will continue to build on producing fluent, consistent and legible handwriting through the regular practice offered in this module's lessons.

Drawing with words- tongue twisters
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 1
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 2
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 3
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 4
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 5
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 6
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 7

Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 8
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 9
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 10
Cloze sentences- Year 3 & 4 spelling list 11
KS2 Dictation- 6 x tables
KS2 Dictation- 7 x tables
KS2 Dictation- 8 x tables
KS2 Dictation- 9 x tables
KS2 Dictation- 11 x tables
KS2 Dictation- 12 x tables
Rounding rhyme- French
Perimeter rhyme- French
2D shapes vocabulary- English and French
3D shapes vocabulary- English and French
3D shapes vocabulary- English and French
Word of the week- Pangrams
Word of the week- Palindromes
Word of the week- Alliteration
Word of the week- Geography
Word of the week- Science
Word of the week- Pangrams

## Band 5 (Year 5)

Lessons will continue to build on combining fluent handwriting with other subjects across the curriculum. In this module your learners will have plenty of opportunity to develop the stamina and skills to write at length, with accurate spelling and punctuation. With Letter-join's wide range of resources they will be able to work towards producing consistently neat and well-presented handwriting in all curriculum subjects. By the end of this module, children should be producing cursive writing automatically, enabling them to focus on the content of their work rather than the process of writing.

Mirror writing- the phonetic alphabet
Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 1
Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 2
Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 3

Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 4
Secret codes- word of the week (seasonal)
Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 5
Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 6
Cloze sentences- Year 5 & 6 spelling list 7
Proverbs
Idioms
Jokes
Dictation- shape poem
Dictation- Haiku poem
Dictation- Kennings poem
Riddles
Limericks
Jokes
Farm animals- English and French
Zoo animals- English and French
My clothes- English and French
The beach- English and French
The café- English and French
Science: prepositions- English and French
Aesop's fables
Geography- Map of Europe
Turtles
Famous volcanoes
Aboriginal tale
Egyptians
The Great Plague
Tudors
Welsh National Anthem
Ancient Greece
Shakespeare's Sonnet
Vikings

## Band 6 (Year 6)

Learners will be presented with a range of tasks where they have to decide on an appropriate style of handwriting. Promoting speedy, fluent writing

continues. Challenging dictation exercises will refine pupils' revising and checking skills as well as boosting their handwriting speed, stamina and fluency. By the end of this module, children should be able to adapt their handwriting for a range of tasks and purposes and to create different effects.

They should be clear about what standard of handwriting is appropriate for a particular task. For example, quick notes, a final handwritten version, an un-joined style or capital letters.

Playing with words- KS2 Dictation
French- numbers, months and days
French- all about me
Spelling patterns- cious/ tious
Spelling patterns- tial/ cial
Spelling patterns- ible/ able
Spelling patterns- ie/ ei
Spelling patterns- ent/ ant
Silent letters- k/ w in words
Silent letters- b/ t in words
Silent letters- g/ u in words
Nouns
Verbs
Statement/ question/ command or exclamation
Adjectives
Commas
Adverbs
Colons
Pronouns
Semi-colons
Prepositions
Apostrophes: contractions
Conjunctions
Apostrophes: possession
Articles
Hyphens
Common suffixes
Speech marks
Prefixes
Parenthesis

Synonyms
Ellipses Antonyms
Homographs Homophones
Punctuation marks Punctuation in practice
Note taking Maths- Months of the year
Note taking Maths- Units of measure
Make a word search (capital letters) Maths- Averages
Metaphors Geography- rivers
Personification History- Boudicca
Hyperbole Science- Healthy Lifestyle