

Letter Formation



Teach letters from one group before you work on letters in another group. It often takes several days for students to learn one new letter formation.

Step 1: Write the letter in the air

Step 2: Write the letter with a finger on the table

Step 3: Write the letter with a marker on a dry-erase board

Have the students say the letter name and the verbal direction as they make the letter.

Group 1: Letters that start like a *c*

C

Go around like a **C**

O

Go around like a **C**, then close

a

Go around like a **C**, then go down

d

Go around like a **C**, then up and down

g

Go around like a **C**, then down and hook left

q

Go around like a **C**, down, and then take a U-turn

Group 2: Letters that start like an *l*

l

Start at the top, then go down

t

Start at the top, go down, cross

h

Start at the top, go down, then make a hump

k

Start at the top, go down, in, then out

b

Start at the top, go down, and then around

r

Start at the top, go down, then up and over

n

Start at the top, go down, up, then make a hump

m

Start at the top, go down, make a hump and then another hump

i

Start at the top, go down, add a dot