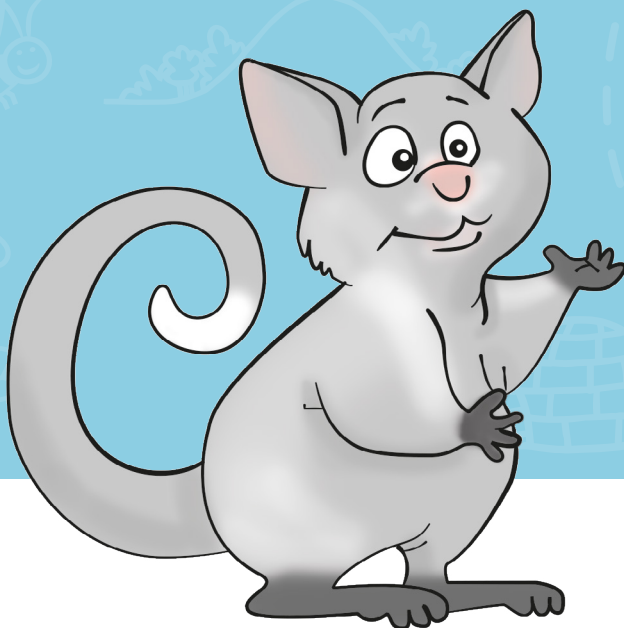


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HANDWRITING BOOK



Unit 1



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17.0 Handwriting



I'm Alex and I'm going to help you with handwriting.

You're going to start joining letters using the exits and entries learned already. You'll be writing words like:

cap play slip

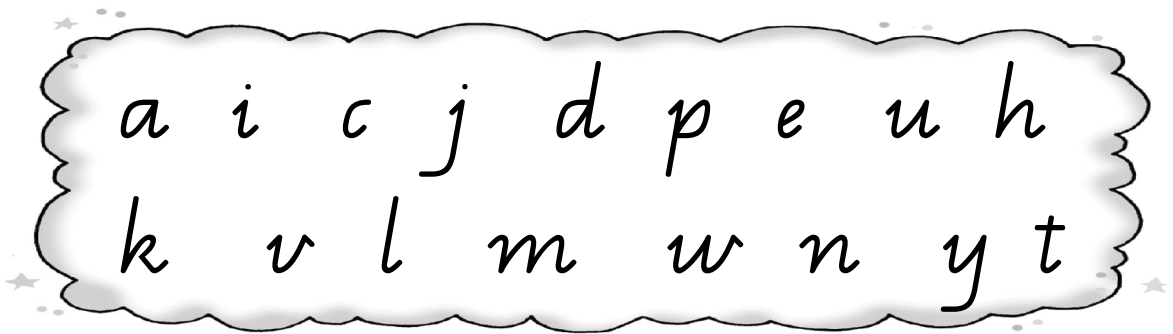
Try to use the new joins whenever you write.

17.1 Practising letters with exits and pointed entry letters

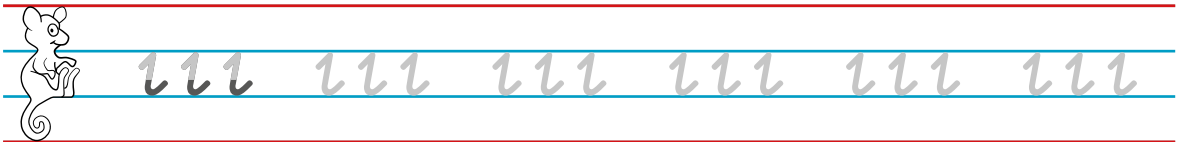


Do you remember that an exit is the way out of a letter and an entry is the way in?

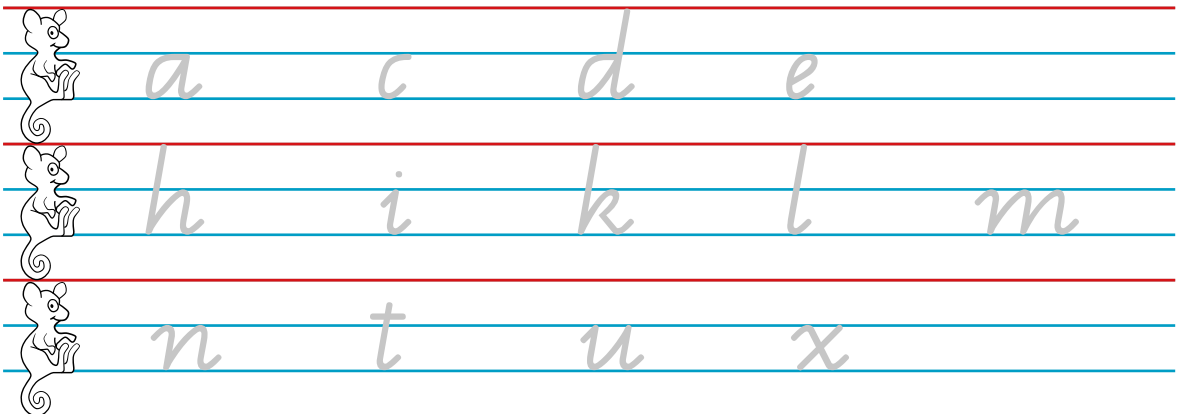
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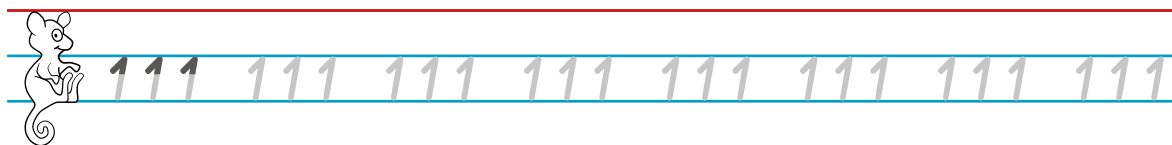
2. Trace over the exit strokes in this pattern.



3. Trace and then write these letters with exits.



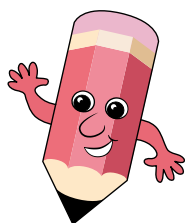
4. Trace over the pointed entries in this pattern.



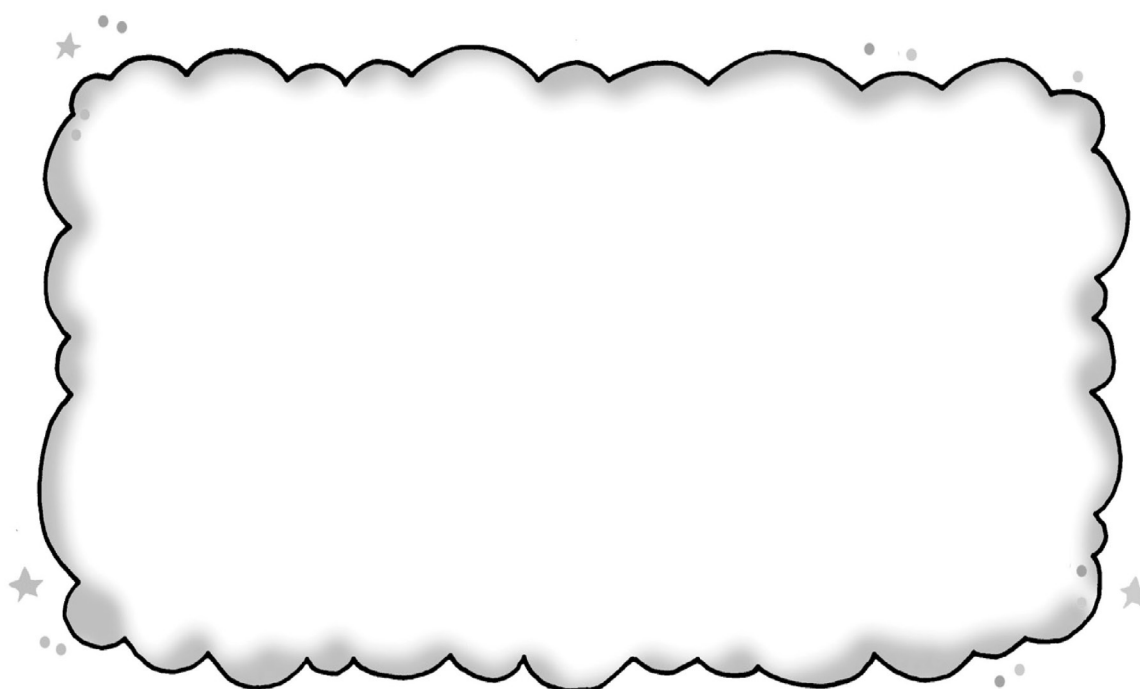
5. Trace and then write these letters with pointed entries.



6. Write an exit letter followed by a pointed entry letter. Try to join the letters. Try a few times.



The exit will lead you to the entry.



17.2 Joining letters with exits to pointed entry letters

We join letters with exits to letters with pointed entries with a straight line. This line is called a diagonal join. Look at this word.



cap



Can you work out how to join the letter *a* to *p*?

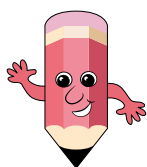
1. Draw a line to show how you think the letter *a* joins to *p* in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *a* joined to these letters.

ai aj ap au

ai aj ap au

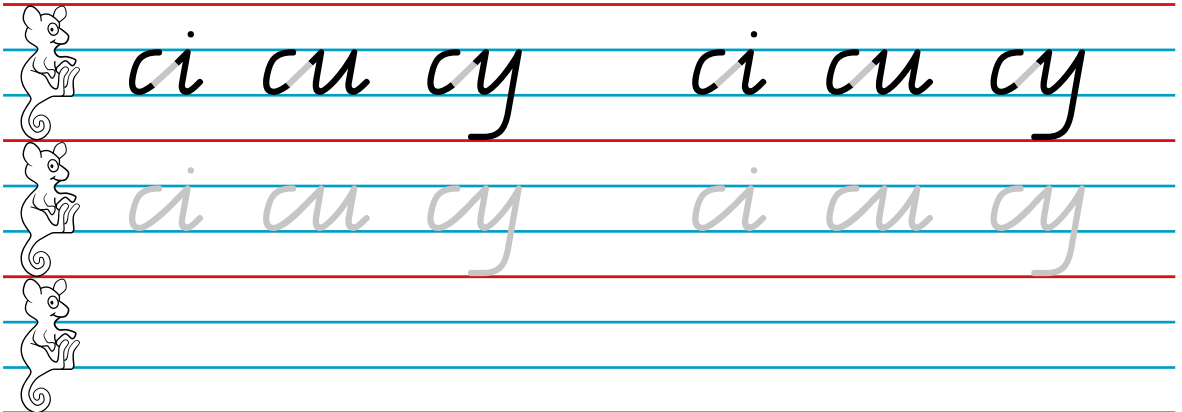
av aw ay

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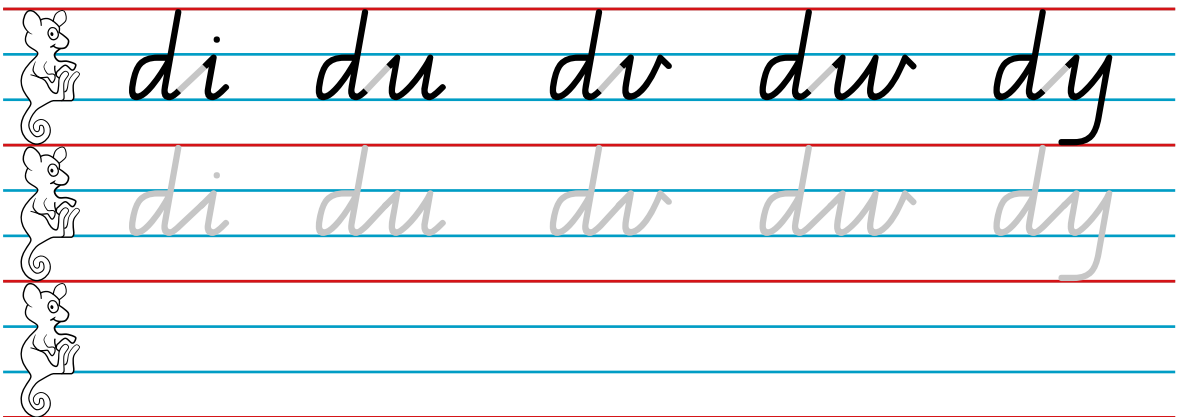


Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

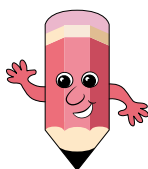
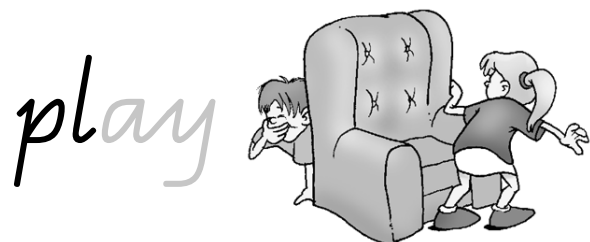
3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *c* joined to these letters.



4. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *d* joined to these letters.



5. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.



If you can see any other exits to join to pointed entries, join them too.

17.3 Learning about diagonal joins

You're going to learn more about joining letters with exits to letters with pointed entries. Look at this word.

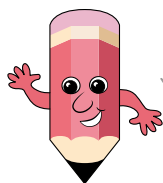


eight

Can you work out how to join the letter *e* to *i*?

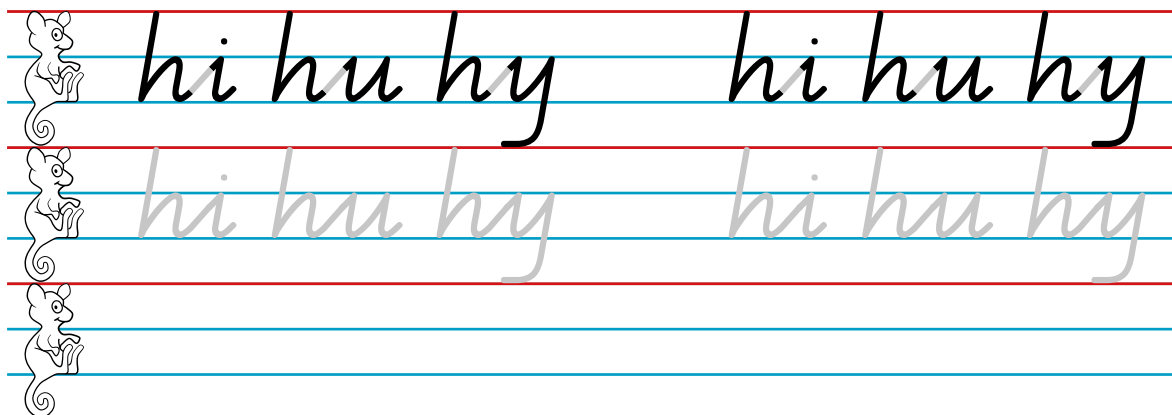
1. Draw a line to show how you think the letter *e* joins to *i* in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *e* joined to these letters.

Handwriting practice lines for the word 'eight'. Each line consists of a top red line, a middle blue line, and a bottom red line. A small kangaroo illustration is on the left of each line. The first two lines show the letters 'ei', 'ej', 'ep', and 'eu' in black. The second line shows the same letters in grey for tracing. The next two lines show 'ev', 'ew', and 'ey' in black. The final line shows 'ev', 'ew', and 'ey' in grey for tracing.

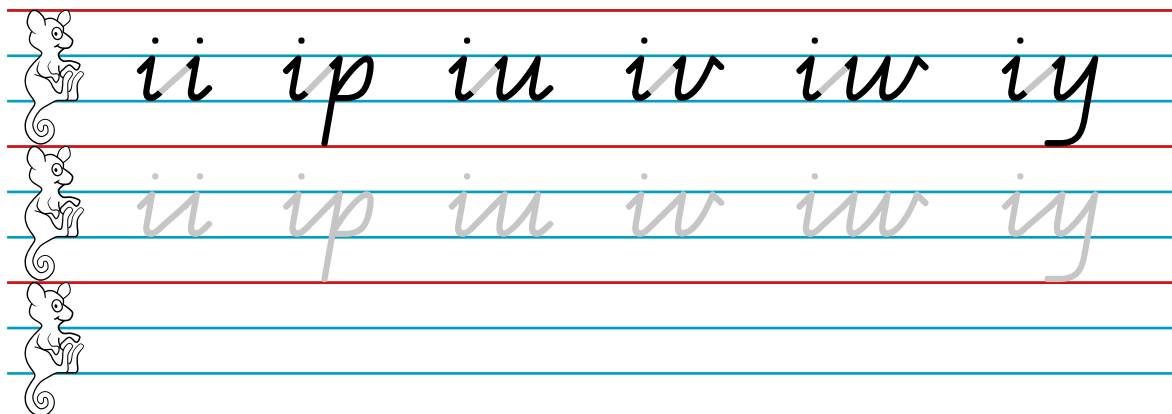


Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

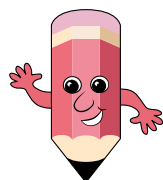
3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *h* joined to these letters.



4. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *i* joined to these letters.



5. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.



If you can see any other exits to join to pointed entries, join them too.

17.4 More diagonal joins 1

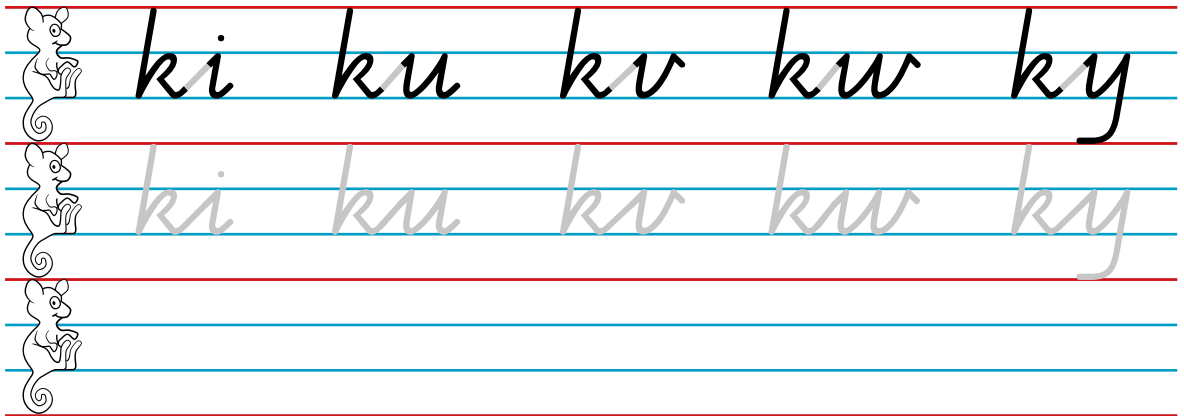
There are more letters with exits for you to join to letters with pointed entries today. Look at this word.



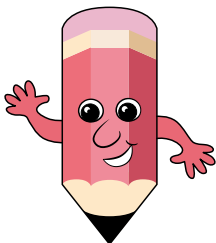
kiss

Can you work out how to join the letter *k* to *i*?

1. Draw a line to show how you think the letter *k* joins to *i* in the word above.

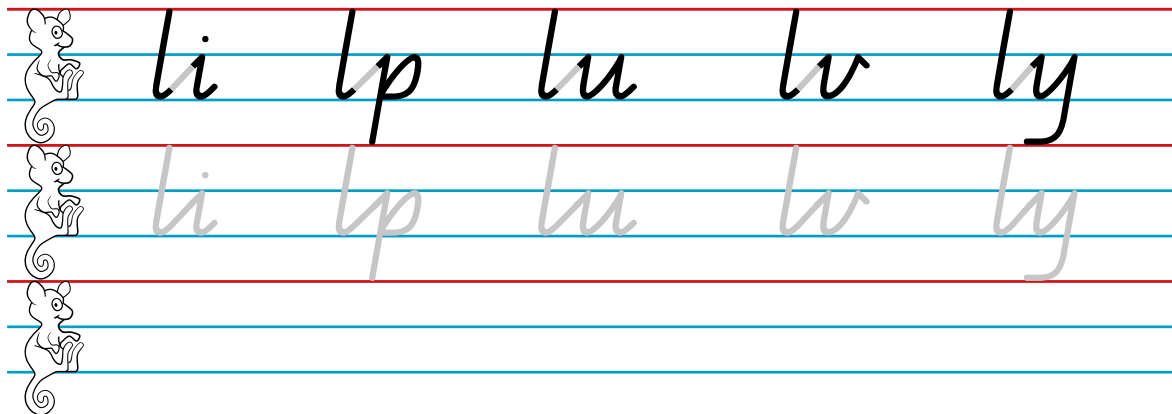


2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *k* joined to these letters.

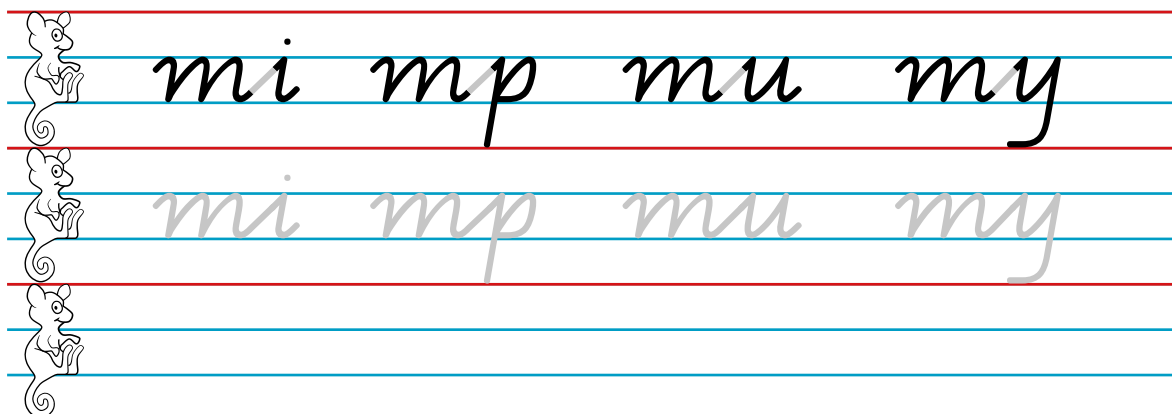


Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

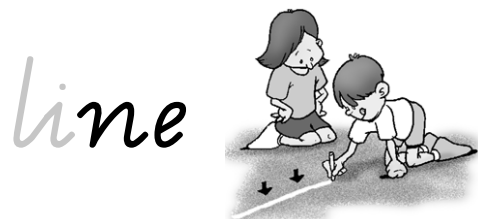
3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *l* joined to these letters.



4. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *m* joined to these letters.



5. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.



17.5 More diagonal joins 2

You're going to learn about joining more letters with exits to letters with pointed entries. Look at this word.



nip



Can you work out how to join all the letters?

1. Draw lines to show how you think the letters join in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *n* joined to these letters.

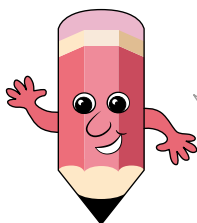
Handwriting practice lines for the word 'nip'. Each line is bounded by a red top line and a red bottom line, with a blue middle line. A small mouse illustration is on the left of each line.

Line 1: *ni nj np nu* (black text)

Line 2: *ni nj np nu* (grey text for tracing)

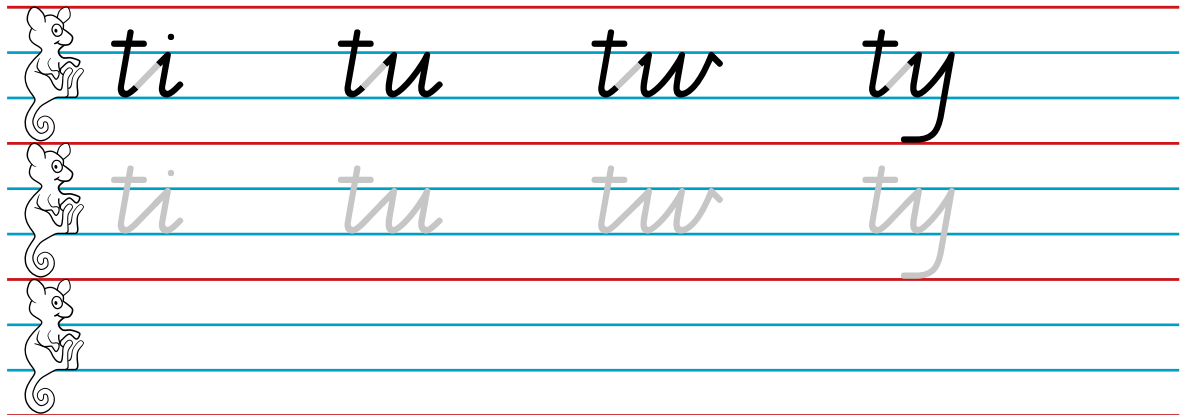
Line 3: *nv nw ny* (black text)

Line 4: *nv nw ny* (grey text for tracing)

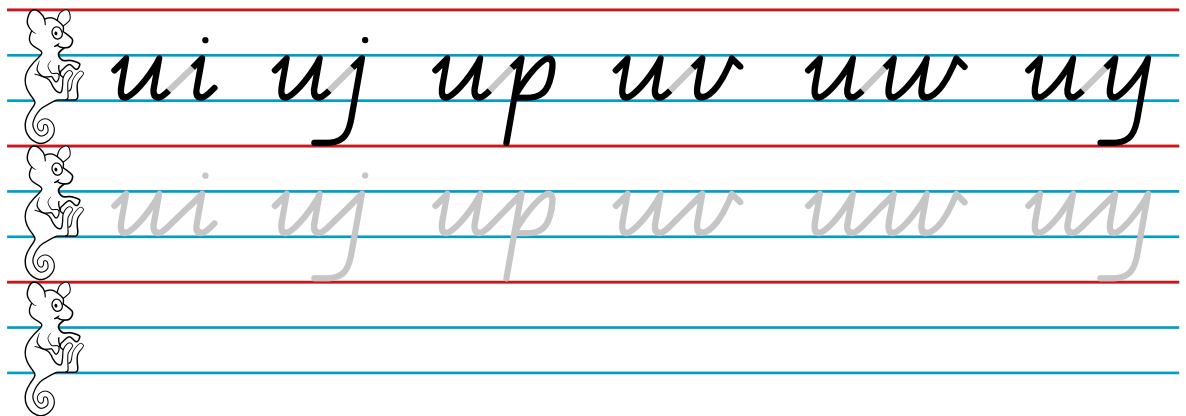


Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing **t** joined to these letters.



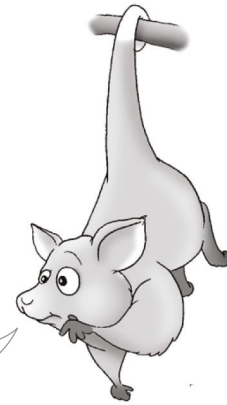
4. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing **u** joined to these letters.



5. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.



17.6 Which letters join?



You're going to think about the *Beginner's Alphabet* and the *Cursive Alphabet*.

1. Write these words in *Cursive Alphabet*. Join the letters with exits to the letters with pointed entries.

Beginner's Alphabet

five

two

nine

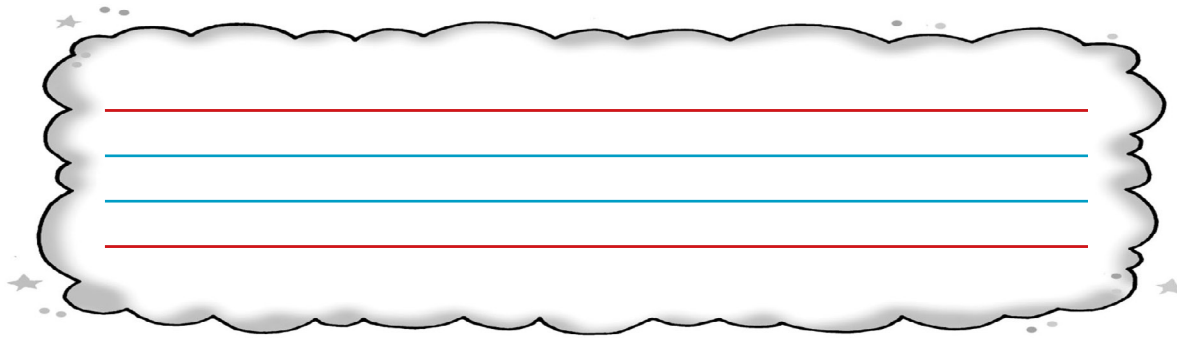
seven

eight

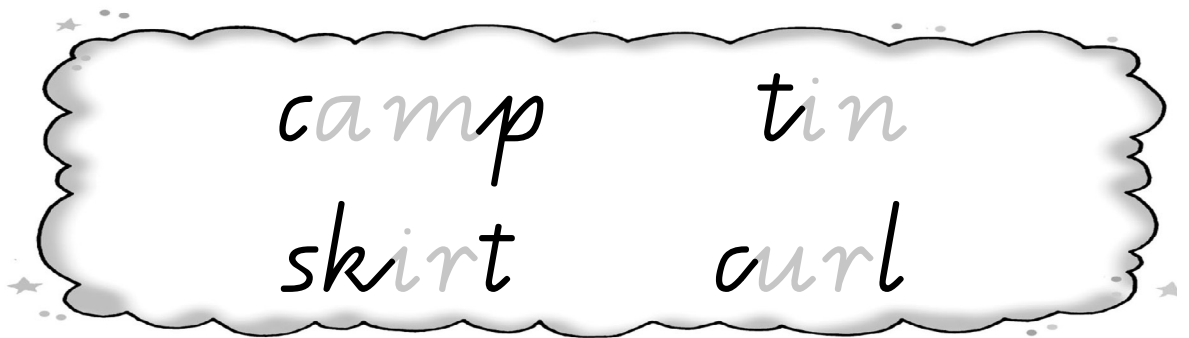
Cursive Alphabet

Blank handwriting lines for practicing cursive writing.

2. Write your name. Join any letters with exits followed by pointed entry letters.



3. Try to join the grey letters in these words.



camp tin
skirt curl

18.0 Revising diagonal joins

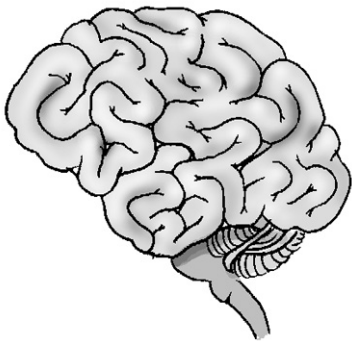


Let's practise the diagonal joins again.

1. Trace over the grey letters to practise joining the letters with exits to the pointed entry letters.

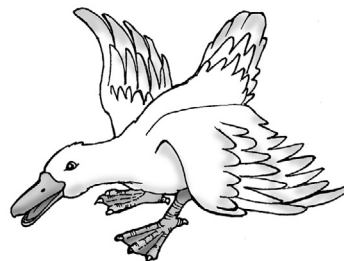
brain

circle



king

duck



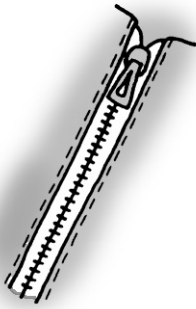
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nappy



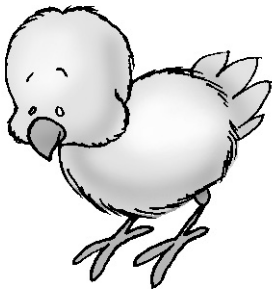
zip



hug



chick

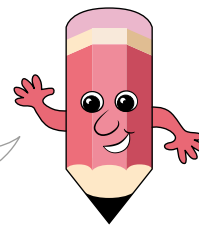


lion

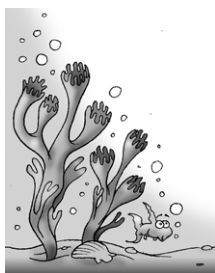


2. Write the letters to finish these words.

Remember to join letters using a diagonal join.



ke _____



3 _____



fr _____ t



_____ x



mon _____



f _____ e



ju _____



so _____

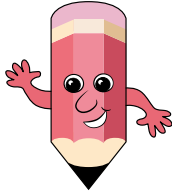


18.1 Practising patterns



You're going to learn how to join letters with exits to letters with rounded entries. Let's practise those letters now.

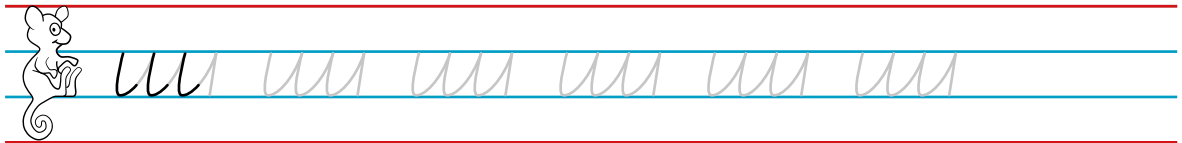
1. Circle the exits in green. Circle the rounded entries in red.



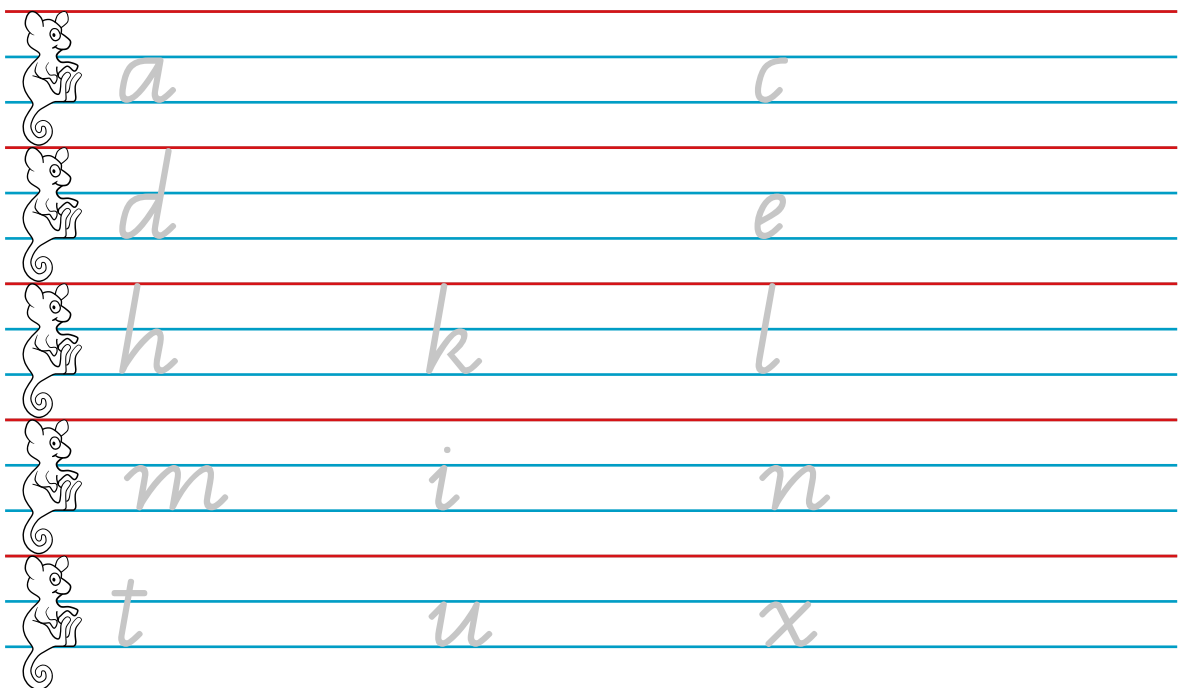
Do you remember that an exit is the way out of a letter and an entry is the way in?



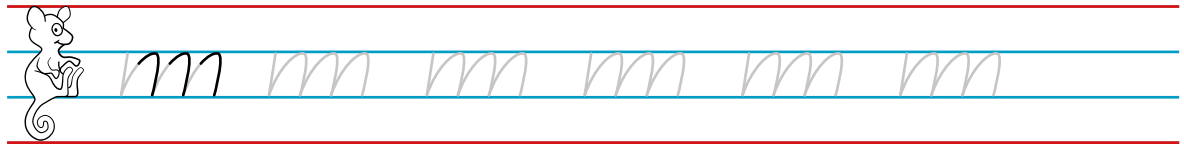
2. Trace over the exit strokes in this pattern.



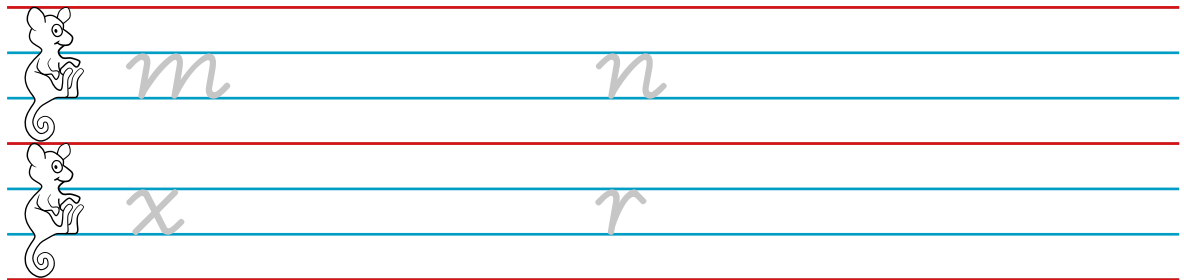
3. Trace and then write these letters with exits.



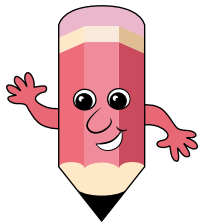
4. Trace over the rounded entries in this pattern.



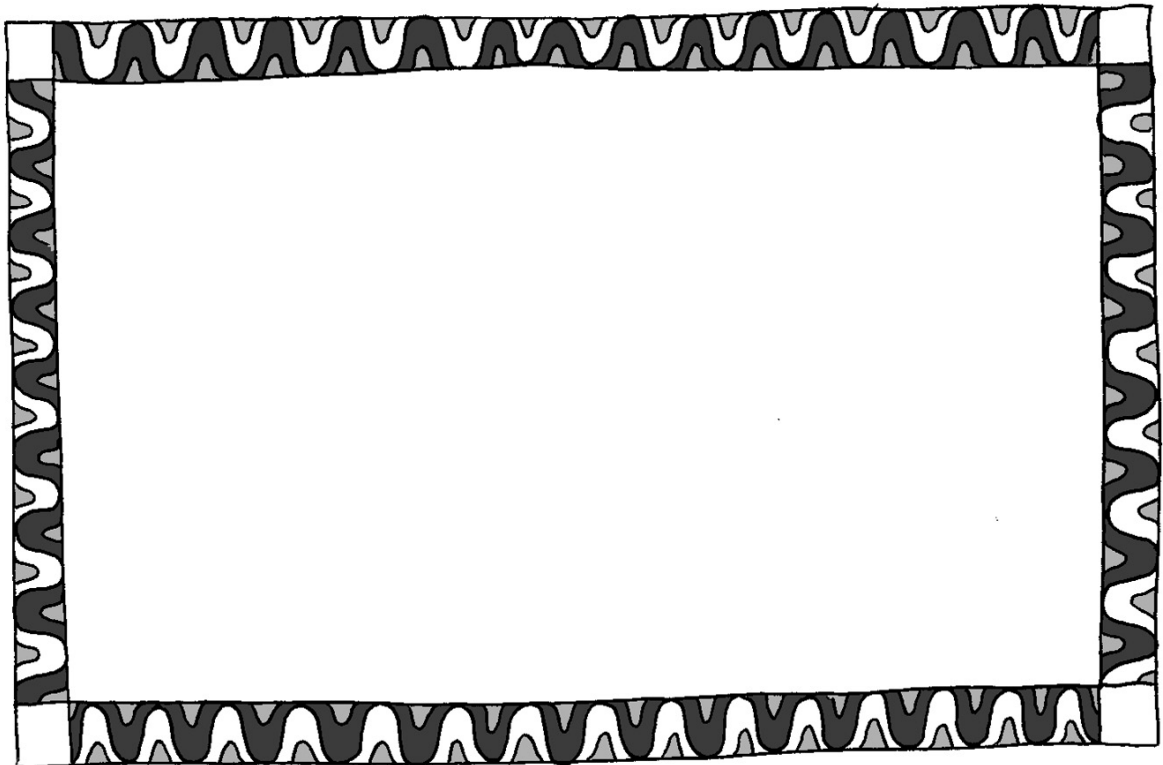
5. Trace and then write these letters with rounded entries.



6. Write an exit letter followed by a rounded entry letter. Try to join the letters. Try a few times.



The exit will lead you to the entry.

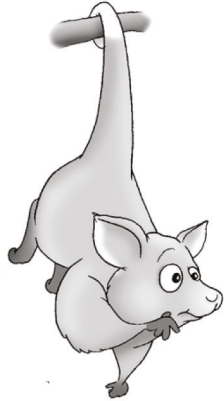


18.2 Joining letters with exits to rounded entry letters

We join letters with exits to letters with rounded entries with a straight line. This line is called a diagonal join. Look at this word.

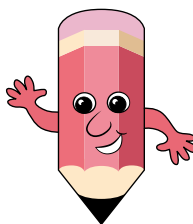
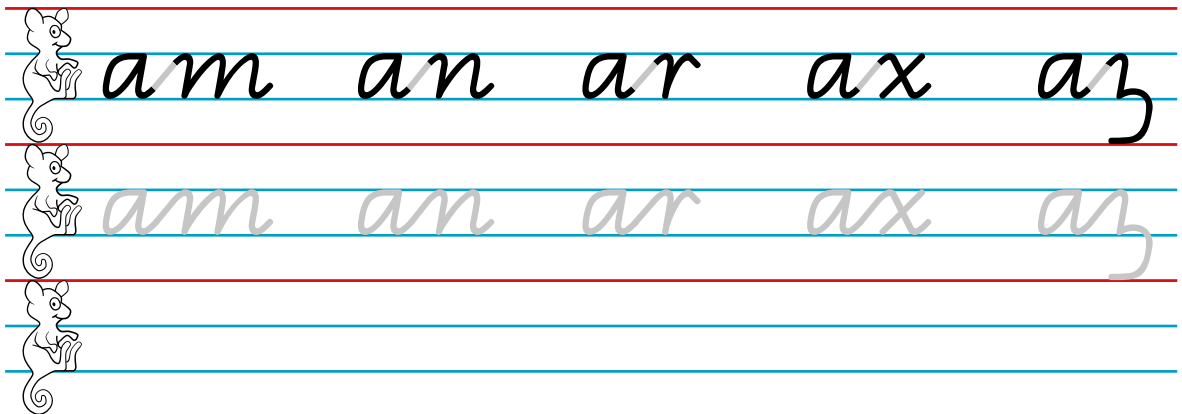


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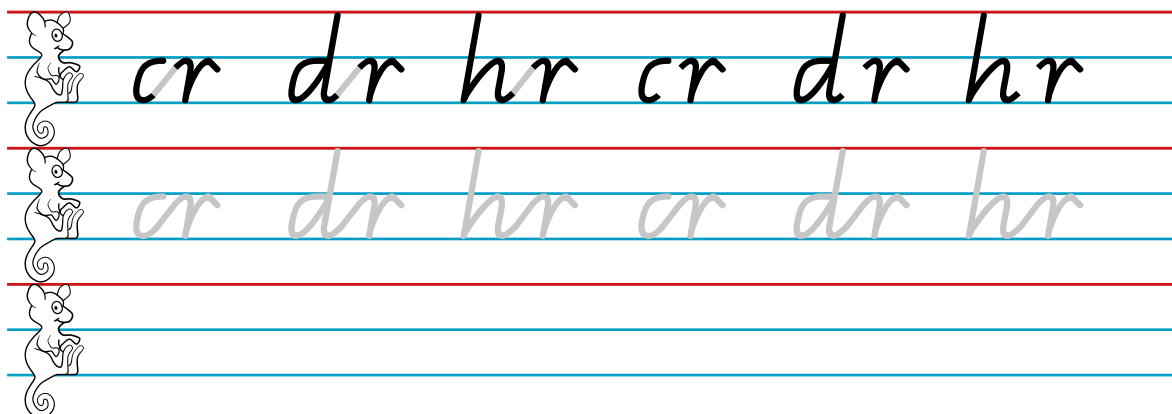
Can you work out how the letter **a** joins to the letter **m**?

1. Draw a line to show how you think the letter **a** joins to **m** in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing **a** joined to these letters.

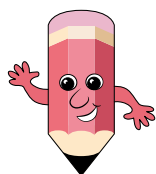


Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing c, d and h joined to these letters.

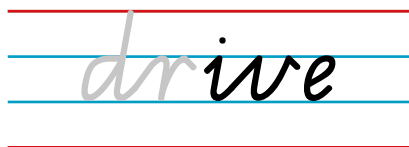
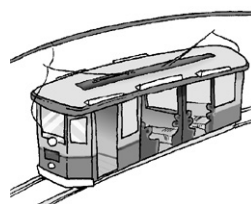
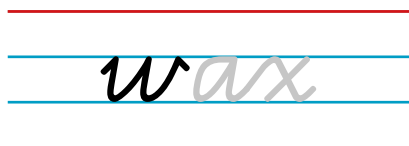


4. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.

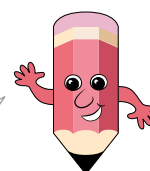


Remember to finish writing the word before you lift your pencil to do the cross-stroke on the x.

are axe



Circle any other diagonal joins you can see.



18.3 Joining more letters

You're going to learn more about joining letters with exits to letters with rounded entries. Look at this word.



pen



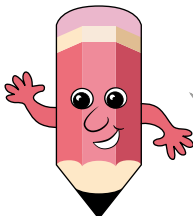
Can you work out how the letter *e* joins to the letter *n*?

1. Draw a line to show how you think the letter *e* joins to *n* in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *e* joined to these letters.

em en er ex ez

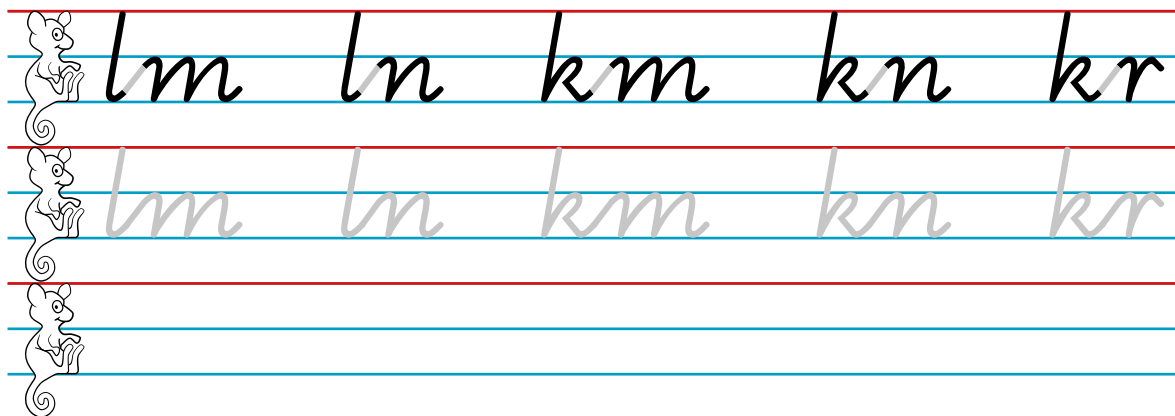
em en er ex ez

em en er ex ez



Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing l and k joined to these letters.



4. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.

mother



ten



flex



stem



18.4 More diagonal joins 1

There are more letters with exits for you to join to letters with rounded entries. Look at this word.



tin



Can you work out how the letter *i* joins to the letter *n*?

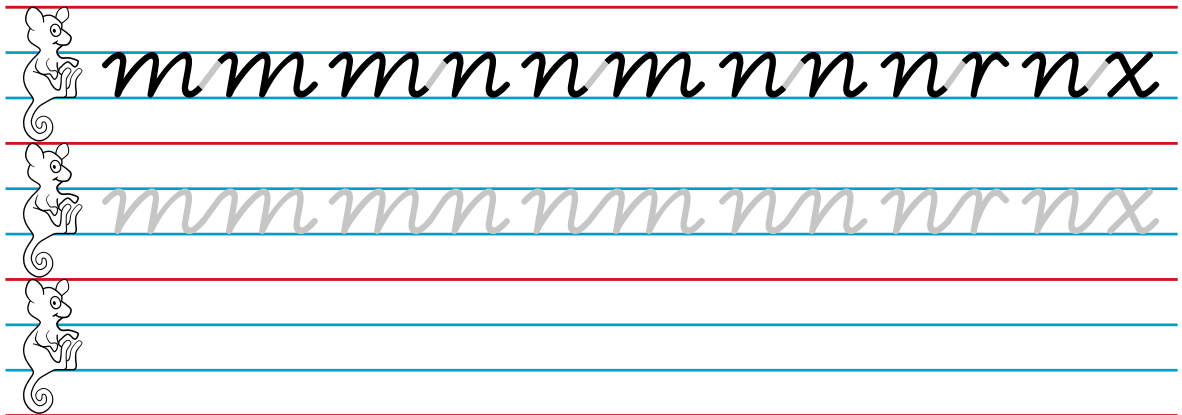
1. Draw lines to show how you think all the letters join in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *i* joined to these letters.

in im ir ix iz

in im ir ix iz

in im ir ix iz

3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *m* and *n* joined to these letters.

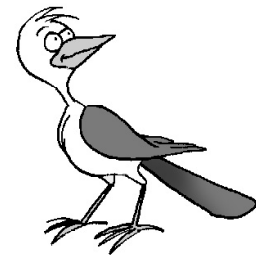


4. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.

swimming



bird



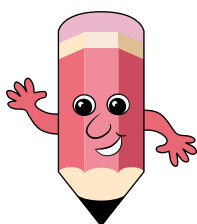
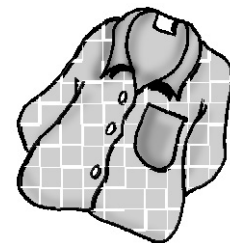
sixty

60

climb

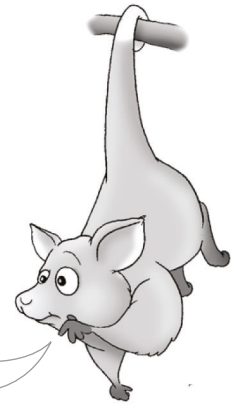


shirt



Remember to finish writing the word *sixty* before you lift your pencil to do the cross-stroke on the *x*. Circle any other diagonal joins you can see.

18.5 More diagonal joins 2



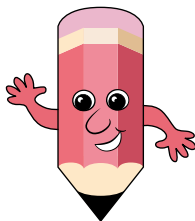
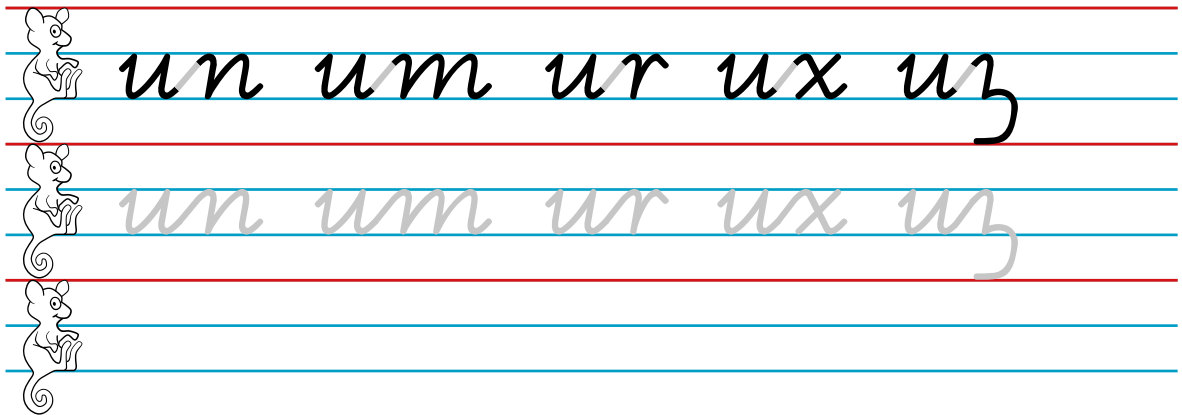
You will finish learning how to join letters with exits to rounded entry letters using diagonal joins. Look at this word.



purple

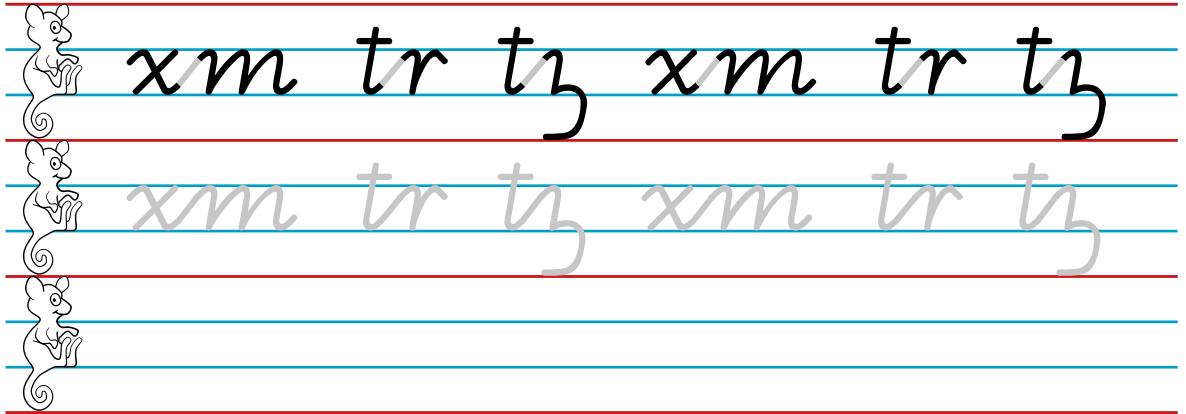
Can you work out how the letter **u** joins to the letter **r**?

1. Draw a line to show how you think the letter **u** joins to **r** in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing **u** joined to these letters.



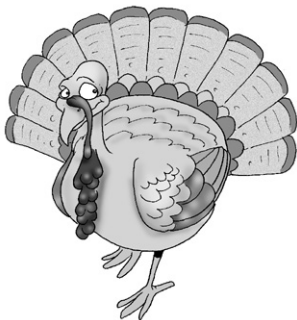
Remember, the join lines must be straight.

3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise writing *x* and *t* joined to these letters.



4. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.

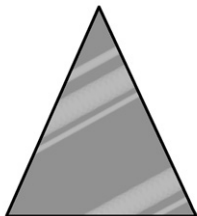
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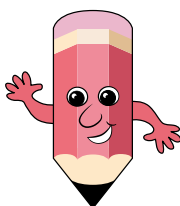
nurse



triangle



turnip



Circle any other diagonal joins you can see.

18.6 Practising cl words

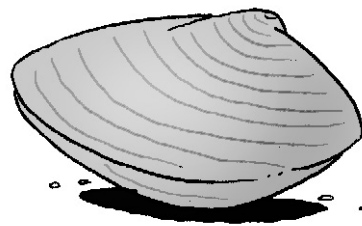


You're going to practise writing some *cl* words.
Remember to look for letters that you know how to join.

Read and trace over the *cl* words.

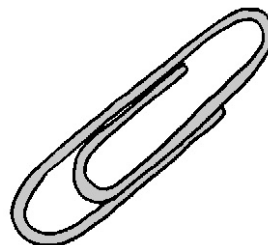
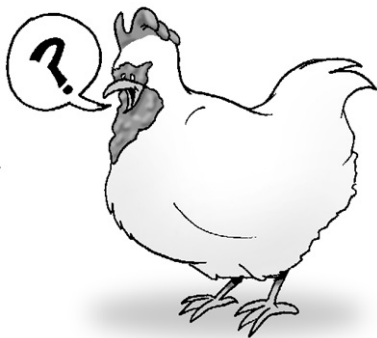
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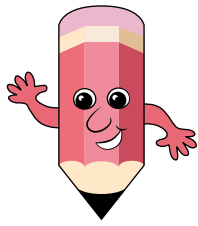
clam



cluck

clip





Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

clap



climb



club



clumsy



clever



clues

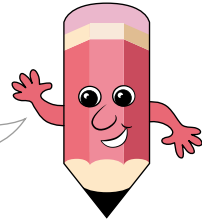


18.7 Practising Beginner's Alphabet



When you write names of capital cities on a map, you need to use Beginner's Alphabet.

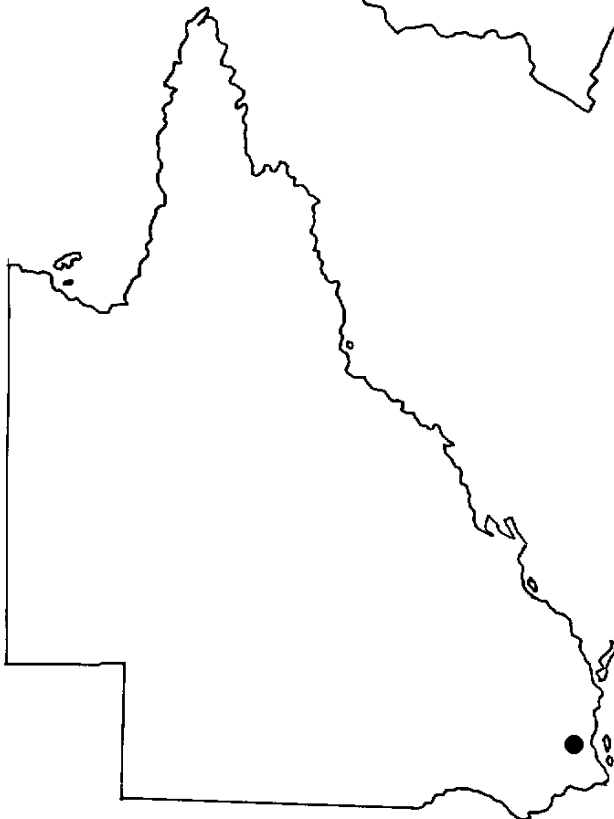
Remember, each name will begin with an uppercase letter.



Practise writing the names of some of the capital cities next to the state they're in.



Sydney

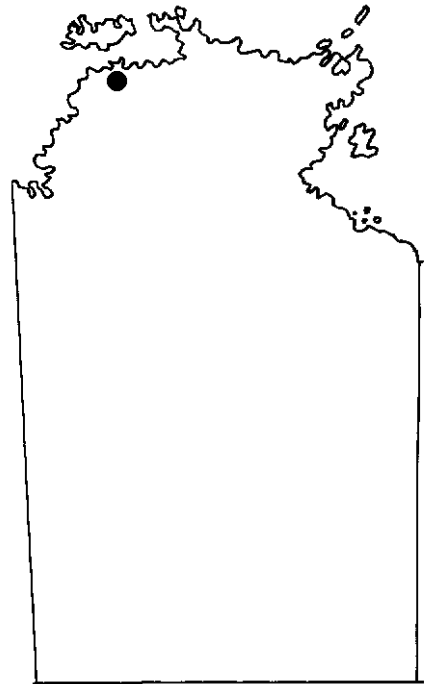


Brisbane



Perth

Darwin



Adelaide



Melbourne

18.8 Diagonal joins to e

Letters with exits join to the letter *e* with a diagonal join as well. Look at this word.

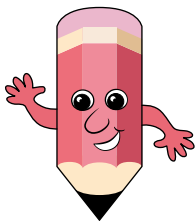
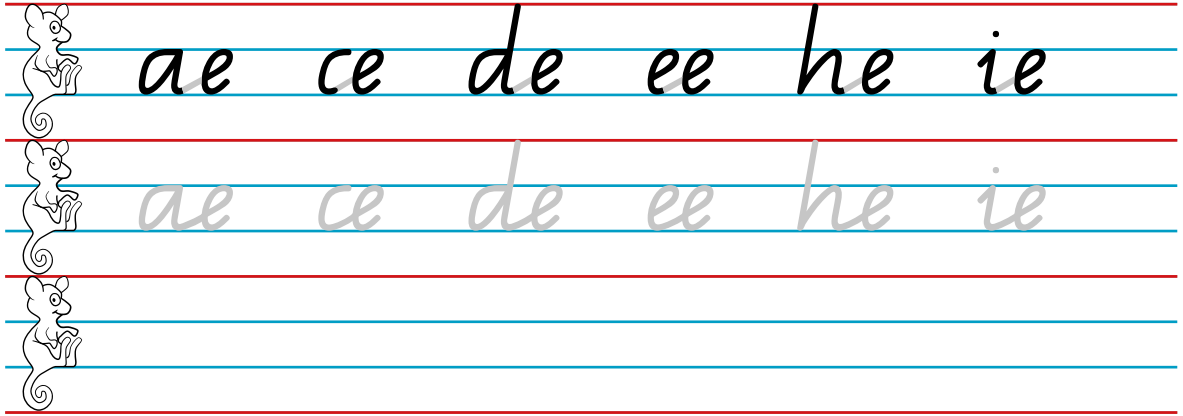


greedy



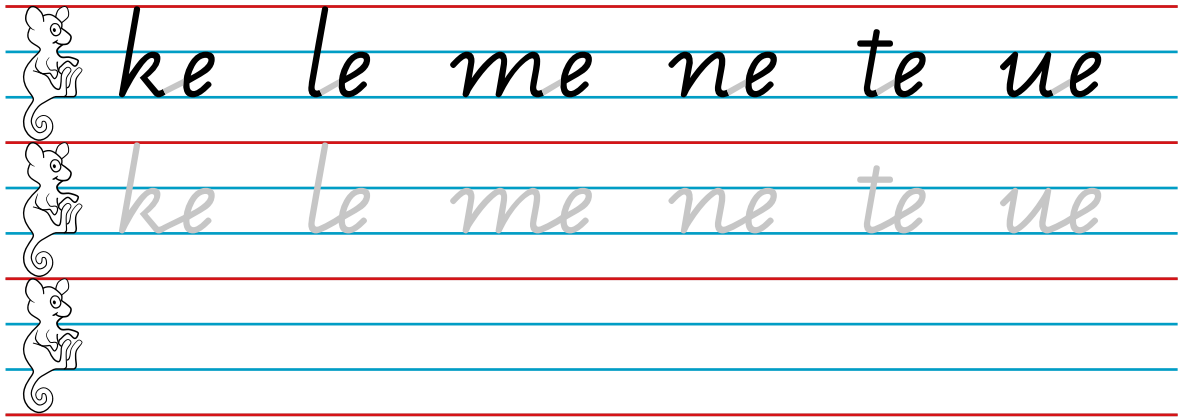
Can you work out how the first letter *e* joins to the second letter *e*?

1. Draw a line to show how you think the first letter *e* joins to the second letter *e* in the word above.
2. Trace over the grey lines and then practise joining these letters to *e*.



Remember, the letters are joined by a straight line.

3. Trace over the grey lines and then practise joining these letters to e.

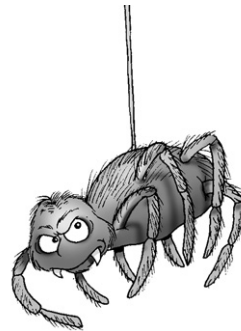


4. Trace over the grey letters that join in these words.

rice



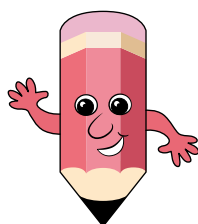
spider



glue



turkey



Circle any other diagonal joins you can see.