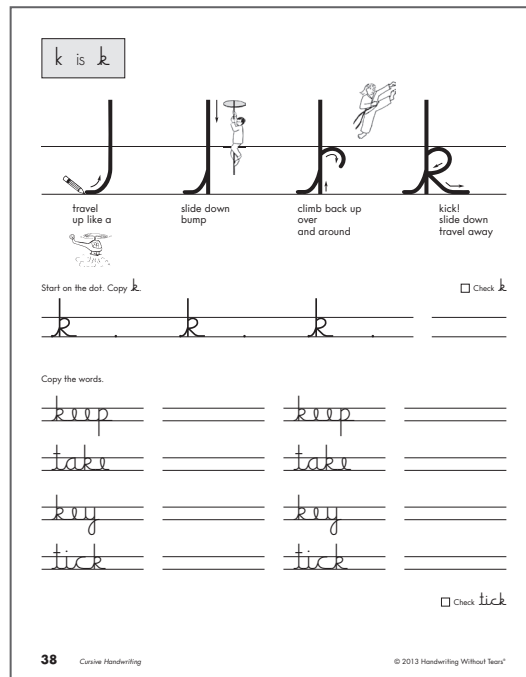


Handwriting Without Tears®



Cursive Handwriting workbook, p.38

Dear Family,

We are excited about the third grade handwriting program we are using this school year.

Handwriting Without Tears is a cursive curriculum that suits modern life. The letters and connections have been simplified by using a vertical style that gives the writing a clean, easy-to-read appearance. Lowercase letters are introduced first, beginning with letters that are similar to print.

We're using the workbook *Cursive Handwriting* at school. Lessons focus not just on correct letter formations but on connections, too. Ease in connecting letters helps children like cursive and develop fluency. As they practice cursive, they'll be learning grammar, poetry, paragraphs, even a little Greek and Latin. That combination of cursive and writing activities will help your child succeed in school.

We're sending home cursive formation charts so you'll know what we're teaching and how to help at home. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

P.S. For more information about the third grade program, visit the Handwriting Without Tears website: hwtears.com

Lowercase Cursive Formation Chart

Magic c bump the line up like a bump back down bump travel away

travel up like a slide down bump climb back up and over and down bump travel away

Can you climb up + over + down?

start with an l travel and up end with a tow

bump • dot

travel up back down bump travel away

Magic c bump the line travel on the line slide up and over come back make a new c

bump • dot

travel up back down turn aim for corner travel away

Magic c bump the line up like a up higher slide down bump travel away

travel up like a slide down bump climb back up over and around kick! slide down travel away

bump

travel then up turn down stay on your side bump, travel away

travel then up turn down stay on your side bump travel away

Make the line as straight as a ruler.

travel then up turn down aim for corner travel away

U-turn

travel up and over down up and over down again travel away (m has three humps)

bump

Magic c bump the line up like a back down turn aim for corner travel away

travel up and over down again travel away (m has two humps)

Lowercase Cursive Formation Chart

Magic c keep on going circle around end with a tow

bump
down travel up back down bump travel away

bump
travel up slide down climb back up and over and around bump travel away

slide down and up end with a tow

Magic c bump the line up like a back down bump aim for corner travel away U-turn

down and up down and up end with a tow

bump
travel up smile down bump travel away

climb up travel away slide down cross after σ slide down cross

bump
straight jet takeoff down make a J-turn bump travel away

bump Make the line as straight as a ruler.
down travel up back down turn aim for corner travel away

travel up like a slide down bump travel away cross

make your half start another half down aim for corner travel away turn

