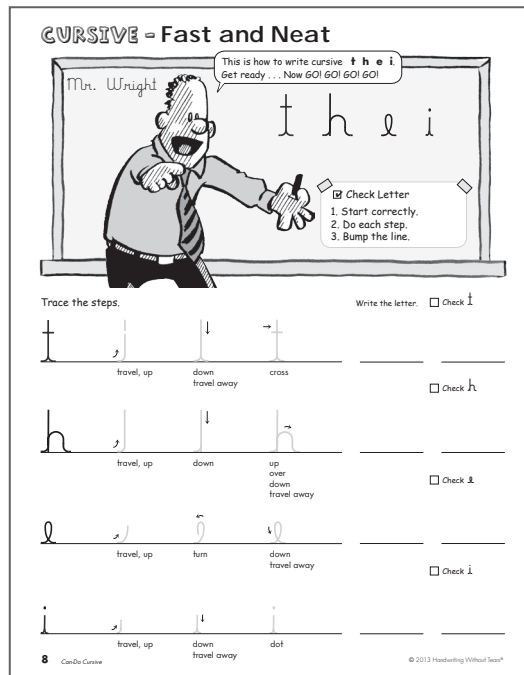


Handwriting Without Tears®



Can-Do Cursive workbook, p.8

Dear Family,

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

Handwriting Without Tears teaches a vertical style of cursive that is easy to write and easy to read. The goal is to make handwriting available to all children as an automatic and natural skill.

We're using the workbook *Can-Do Cursive* that suits older students who are learning or mastering cursive. The book begins with a fast paced cursive review. Then the students use cursive as they polish grammar, learn a little Latin and Greek, and meet famous authors. They'll develop both their cursive and their writing skills.

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 fifth 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)

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

Cursive Capitals Formation Chart

C Magic C up back down

1 P B up around again

C Magic C curve up top like $\underline{a} + \underline{i}$ down big J-turn end

J L D down small turn flip over curve up end

C E c in the air c again

1 J J J J-turn cross

J Y D U curve up top like $\underline{a} + \underline{i}$ down big J-turn end

1 1 1 1 H H ready down down up over end

C A down J-turn end

C Q G J curve up straight down small J-turn end

1 K K ready down kick! slide down

P J L start like \underline{a} in the air down small turn flip over

1 n m up over down again

1 n up over down

C O O Magic C keep on going end

1 P ready down up around

O or 2 2 half heart small turn flip over

1 P R up around slide down

/ S S straight jet takeoff print S end

1 J ready down J-turn

U U down travel up back down

V slide down up end

U W W down travel up again end

X slide down cross down

U Y Y Y down travel up back down small J-turn end

Z Z Z half heart up over down small J-turn end