

STEP 2: The 6 Tall Letters

l t h b k d

Top Tips:

All these letters must touch the top and the bottom line. They must fall down from the top line, except the 'd' which starts as a tiny 'c' and goes up.

(i) Always write with a triangular pencil or triangular pen. Keep your back up and feet on the ground.

(ii) Say each letter formation out loud as you write. The words you should say are written next to each letter.

(iii) Always hold the pencil/pen correctly. Try to use 'frog's legs' shaped fingers.

(iv) Cross out any mistakes with one small line. Do not use an eraser.

(v) Never place your finger between words to make a space - just imagine there is a pen lying flat in the space.

(vi) Do not put the pencil or pen down. You must hold it in the correct writing position for the whole exercise.

(vii) Write three or four lines of each tall letter before continuing to the next letter.

(viii) For homework write these 6 tall letters lots of times. Try and practise for a few minutes in the morning and a few minutes in the evening. The more times you repeat these 6 tall letters, the better your writing will be. Try and write slowly and do not rush.

(ix) If you need more paper you can use standard, good quality, wide-ruled 8mm-paper, which has a margin. This paper is also provided at the back of this workbook.

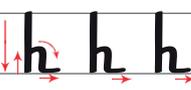
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Speak each letter formation out loud to help you remember.

1.  Down. Tiny flick.

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2.  Down. Tiny flick. Cross it low. (Cross 't' away from margin)

3.  Tall 'h' with a Magic Link. A Magic Link is a small line which must be traced over the line. It is the Magic Link that joins letters together to make writing neat and flowing.



4.  Tall 'b' with a Magic Link.

Only the letters 'h' and 'b' have a Magic Link.

5.  Tall 'k' with a kick.

6.  Tiny 'c' into a tall 'd'.

For homework, copy the tall letters onto both sides of A4, standard, wide-ruled paper with a margin. Aim for 5-10 minutes, twice a day.

Practice Page

A series of horizontal lines for handwriting practice, spanning the width of the page.