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Handwriting



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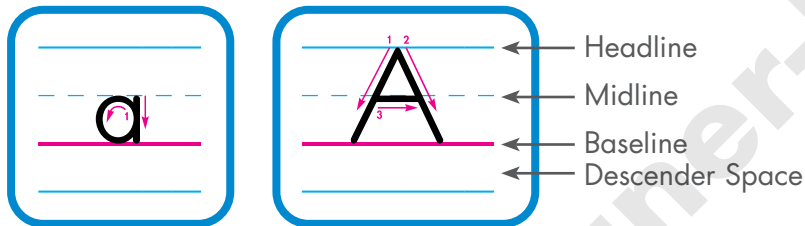
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Getting Started



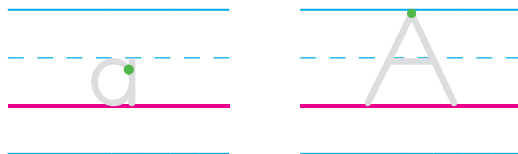
Models and Guidelines

There are writing models in your book.
The models are on guidelines.




The red arrows and numerals show
you how to write each letter.

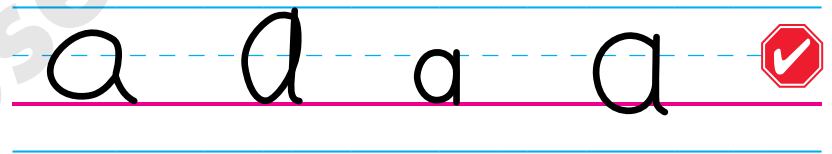
Start at the green dot when you trace
and write.



Stop and Check

When you see a  sign, circle
the best letter you wrote on
that line.

Circle the best letter on this line.



Keys to Legibility

There are four kinds of keys in your book.
These **Keys to Legibility** will remind you to
check the **Shape**, **Size**, **Spacing**, and **Slant**
of your writing.

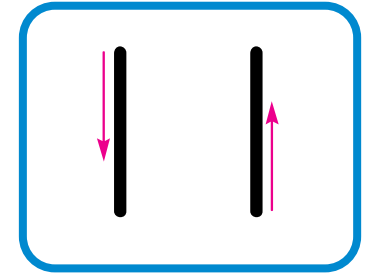
The **Keys to Legibility** will help you make your
writing legible. **Legible** means easy to read.




Write

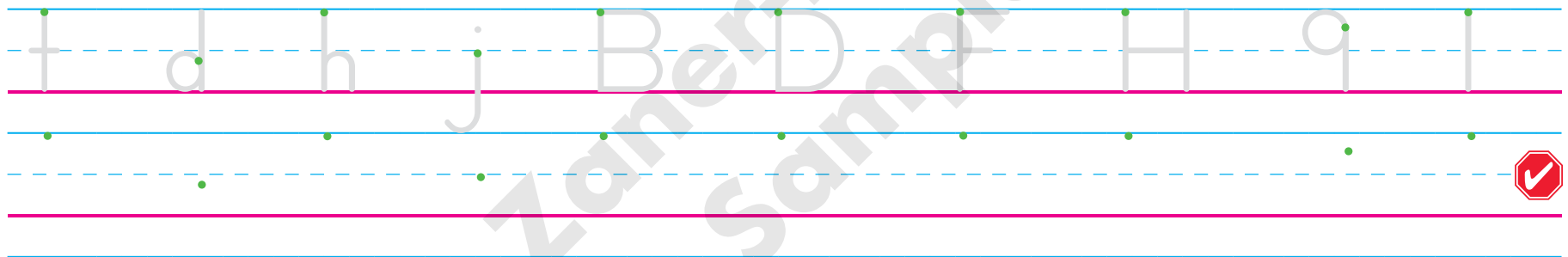
Basic Strokes

Vertical Lines Some letters and numerals have lines that are straight up and down. Trace the straight up and down lines in these letters and numerals.



l b i p h T E L 5 4

Trace and write these letters and numerals that have vertical lines.
Start at the green dot.  Circle your best vertical line.

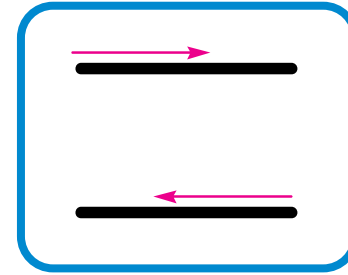


Write the sentence.

Some strokes are vertical lines.

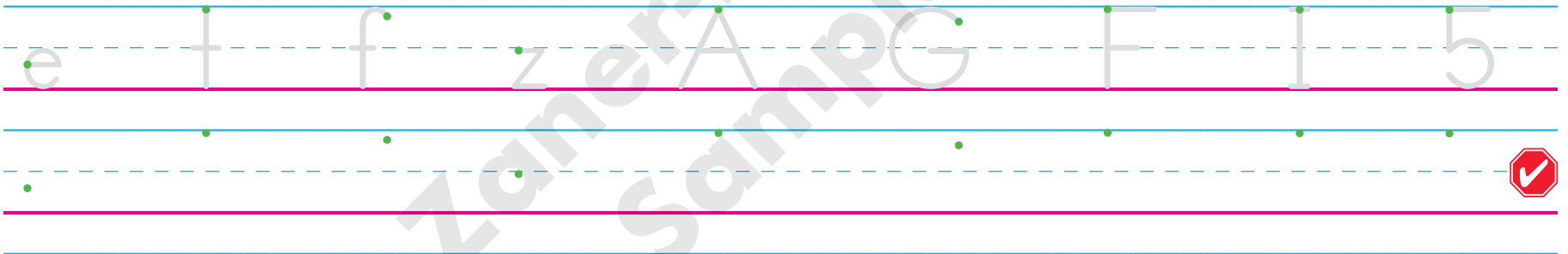
Basic Strokes

Horizontal Lines Some letters and numerals have lines that slide right or slide left. Trace the slide lines in each letter and numeral.



f t e H J G Z 5 2

Trace and write these letters and numerals that have horizontal lines. Start at the green dot. ✓ Circle your best horizontal line.

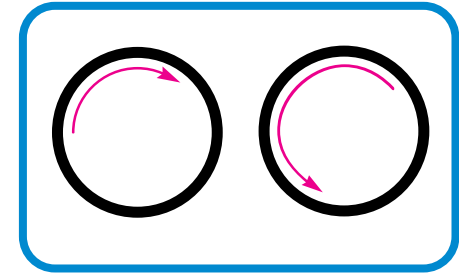


Write the sentence.

Some strokes are horizontal lines.

Basic Strokes

Circle Lines Some letters and numerals have forward circle or backward circle lines. Trace the circle or part of the circle in each letter and numeral.



c e g C O b p 2 3

Trace and write these letters and numerals that have circle lines. Start at the green dot. Circle your best circle line.

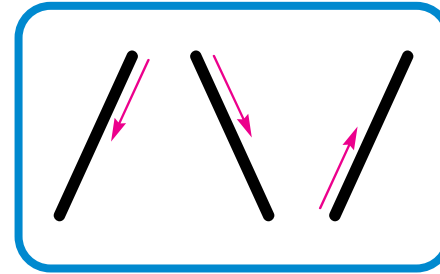
Tracing practice lines for the letters and numerals c, e, g, C, O, b, p, 2, and 3. Each letter/numeral is shown on a set of three horizontal lines (top blue, middle dashed blue, bottom pink). A green dot indicates the starting point for the circle stroke. A red checkmark icon is at the end of the second row of lines.

Write the sentence.

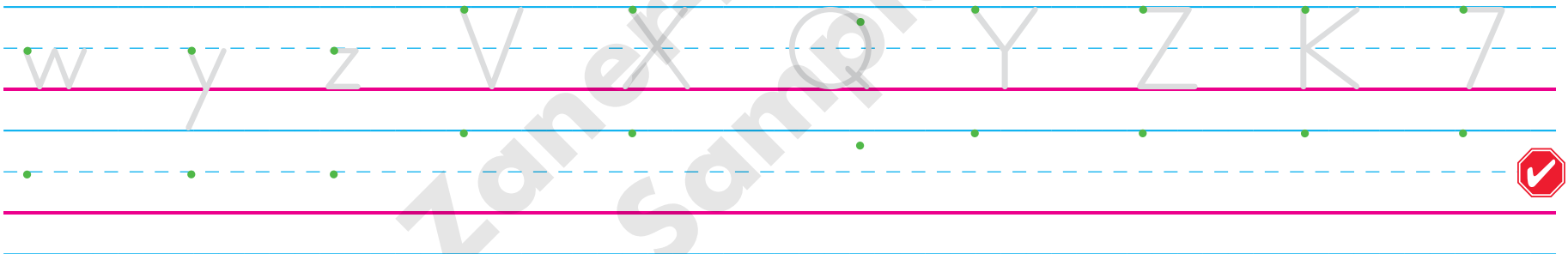
Some strokes are circle lines.

Basic Strokes

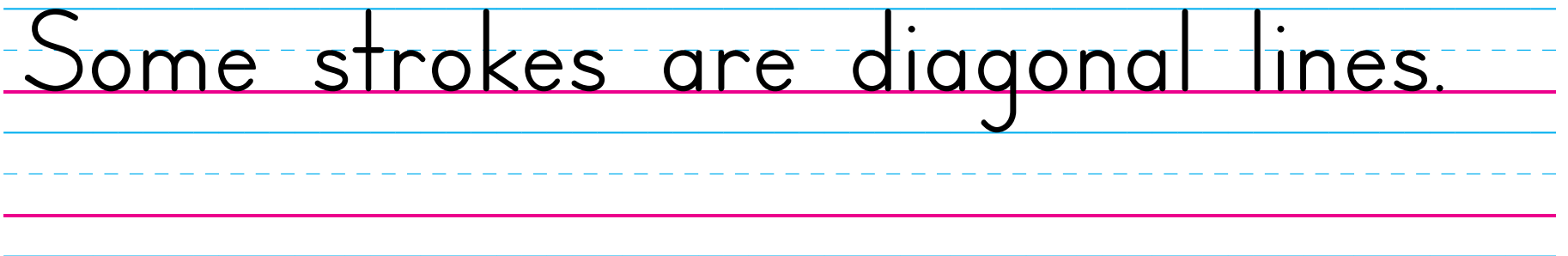
Diagonal Lines Some letters and numerals have lines that slant left or slant right. Trace the diagonal lines in each letter and numeral.

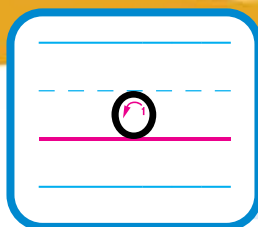


Trace and write these letters and numerals that have diagonal lines. Start at the green dot. Circle your best diagonal line.

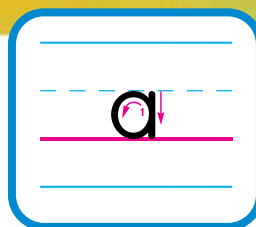


Write the sentence.

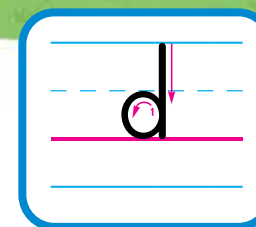




1. Circle back all the way around.



1. Circle back all the way around; push up straight. Pull down straight.



1. Circle back all the way around; push up straight. Pull down straight.

Trace and write. ✓ Circle your best **o**, **a**, and **d**.

Tracing practice lines for lowercase letters o, a, and d. Each letter row consists of a solid pink baseline, a dashed blue midline, and a solid blue top line. The first row shows the letter 'o' with a pink stroke guide on the first 'o' and a green dot on the others. The second row shows the letter 'a' with a pink stroke guide on the first 'a' and a green dot on the others. The third row shows the letter 'd' with a pink stroke guide on the first 'd' and a green dot on the others. Red checkmarks in octagons are placed on the dashed blue line for the best examples of each letter.

Write the words that name landforms.

desert

bay

island

ocean

mountain

valley

plain

dune

canyon

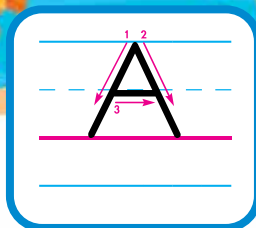
Write a sentence about a landform you have seen.



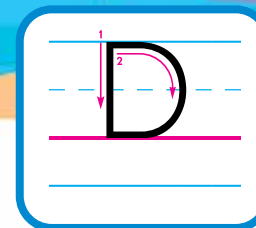
Spacing Circle
two words with
good spacing
between them.



1. Circle back all the way around.



1. Slant left. Lift.
2. Slant right. Lift.
3. Slide right.



1. Pull down straight. Lift.
2. Slide right; curve forward; slide left.

Trace and write. Circle your best **O**, **A**, and **D**.

Tracing practice lines for uppercase letters O, A, and D. Each letter row includes a tracing guide, a series of dashed letters for tracing, and a series of solid letters for writing. A red checkmark icon is placed at the end of each row to indicate the final result.

Row 1: Uppercase letter O. Tracing guide, 10 dashed O's, 10 solid O's.

Row 2: Uppercase letter A. Tracing guide, 10 dashed A's, 10 solid A's.

Row 3: Uppercase letter D. Tracing guide, 10 dashed D's, 10 solid D's.

Write the sentences about landforms.

Oceans cover part of Earth.

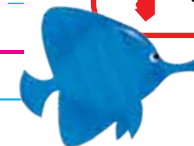
A continent is huge.

Deserts are dry places.

Write a sentence about the continent you live on.



Slant Circle a letter that is straight up and down.



Ll Ii Tt Oo Aa Dd

Write the list of holidays.

Our Favorite Holidays

Indigenous Peoples' Day

Thanksgiving Day

Arbor Day

Labor Day

Apply

Invitation Write the invitation to a holiday party. Leave space for margins.

It's a Party!

Date: Labor Day
Time: 11:00 A.M.
Place: Olivia's House
Let's all have fun!



Handwriting practice area with multiple sets of lines (top solid blue line, middle dashed blue line, bottom solid blue line) for writing the invitation.

Handwriting in the Real World

Ideas Before you write, think about your topic. Make a list of ideas for your story.

Here are some ideas for a story about a fox.
Write words that tell what the fox is like and what it does.



Describing Words

red
small
quick
daring
smart

Action Words

runs
jumps
looks
hides
eats

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid blue top and bottom lines and a dashed blue middle line. There are ten sets of these lines for writing practice.

Choose an animal to write about. Draw a picture in the box.
Then write words that tell what the animal is like and what it does.

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid blue top and bottom lines with a dashed blue middle line. A large, light gray watermark reading "Zaner-Bloser Sample" is oriented diagonally across the page.

A large, empty rectangular box with a blue border, intended for drawing a picture of an animal.



Shape Circle three words you wrote that have good shape.

Handwriting in the Real World

Web Write the words to complete the web.

call Grandpa



read



eat

Things
to Do

finish picture




clean up

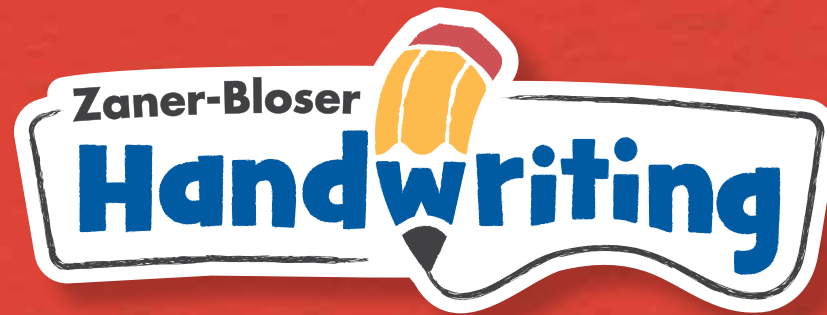


study spelling

Complete this web by writing things you need to do.

My Things to Do

 **Size** Circle three words you wrote that have good size.



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