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Developing Early Writing /Mark Making



Developing
strength

Shoulder pivot

Elbow pivot

Wrist pivot

Finger strength

How Children Begin to Learn to Write

1. They strengthen their shoulder and arm muscles by making large (gross motor) movements with their arms such as waving flags



2. They strengthen the muscles in their hands and fingers by doing fine motor activities such as pegging



3. They begin to make marks with their fingers in sand, paint, soil



4. They make marks with equipment such as sticks, chalk or paint brushes on a large scale

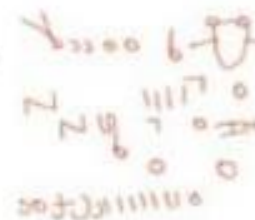
5. They make marks with equipment such as crayons or pens on a smaller scale



6. They write circles and lines and begin to gain some control over equipment



7. They write in shapes and symbols and begin to give meaning to the marks they make



8. They use letters from their name to write messages





Dough disco, flappers and funky fingers!

Let's do dough disco!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DrBsNhwxzgc>

Fine motor activities



TYPICAL PENCIL GRASP DEVELOPMENT FOR HANDWRITING

10 Months
Pincer Grasp



12-15 Months
Palmar Supinate Grasp



2-3 Years
Digital Pronate Grasp



3-4 Years
Quadrupod Grasp



3-4 Years
Static Tripod Grasp



5-6 Years
Dynamic Tripod Grasp





Encourage writing everywhere



Emergent
role-play
writing!

<p>Random Marks</p>	<p>Representational Drawing</p> <p>"This is my sister."</p>	<p>Drawing Distinct from Writing</p> <p>"A flower for my Mom."</p>
<p>Mock Linear or Letter Like</p> <p>"A note for Daddy."</p>	<p>Symbol Salad</p> <p>"Macaroni"</p>	<p>Partial Phonetic</p> <p>K "cat"</p> <p>BB "baby"</p> <p>ILU "I love you"</p>



Painting
with water!



PRE-WRITING SHAPES



Children should be able to form these 9 pre-writing strokes before asking them to write.



2 years



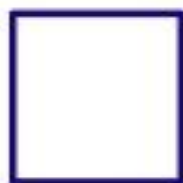
2½ years



3 years



3½-4 years



4 years



4½ years



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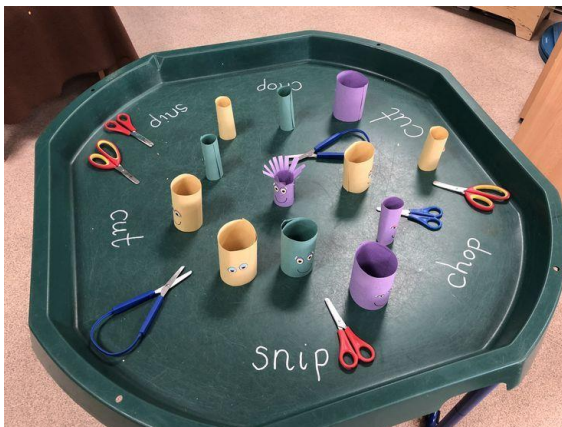
4 years
11 months



5 years
3 months

Children who can adequately draw the oblique cross can copy a significantly higher number of letters than little ones who cannot.

Scissor skills



SPAGHETTI CUTTING
A FUN WAY TO LEARN SCISSOR SKILLS

RWI letter formation

Rhymes for letter formation - taken from Read Write Inc.

<p>a</p>  <p>Around the apple and down the leaf.</p>	<p>b</p>  <p>Down the face to the heel and around the toe.</p>	<p>c</p>  <p>Curl around the caterpillar.</p>	<p>d</p>  <p>Around the dinosaur's bottom, up his tail neck & down to his toes.</p>	<p>e</p>  <p>Lift off the top and scoop out the egg.</p>	<p>f</p>  <p>Down the stem and draw the leaves.</p>
<p>g</p>  <p>Around the girl's face, down her hair and give her a curl.</p>	<p>h</p>  <p>Down the head, to his hooves and over his back.</p>	<p>i</p>  <p>Down the body and dot for the head.</p>	<p>j</p>  <p>Down his body, curl, dot for his head.</p>	<p>k</p>  <p>Down the kangaroo's body tail and leg.</p>	<p>l</p>  <p>Down the long leg.</p>
<p>m</p>  <p>Down Mable, mountain, mountain.</p>	<p>n</p>  <p>Down Nobby and over his net.</p>	<p>o</p>  <p>All around the orange.</p>	<p>p</p>  <p>Down the pirate's plank and around his face.</p>	<p>qu</p>  <p>Round her head, up past her starting, down her hair and flick.</p>	<p>r</p>  <p>Down the robot's back and curl over his arm.</p>
<p>s</p>  <p>Sither down the snake.</p>	<p>t</p>  <p>Down the tower, across the tower.</p>	<p>u</p>  <p>Down and under, up to the top and draw the puddle.</p>	<p>v</p>  <p>Down a wing, up a wing.</p>	<p>w</p>  <p>Down, up, down, up.</p>	<p>x</p>  <p>Down the arm and leg, repeat the other side.</p>
<p>y</p>  <p>Down a horn, up a horn and under head.</p>	<p>z</p>  <p>Zigzag zig.</p>				

Thank you for attending

Any question are welcome