

Ideas for Handwriting

Try out some of these ideas to help you get a better feel for writing. They'll make it more interesting as well!

Mix your media

As well as making it more interesting, using different types of media can help you to get a better feel of writing. Try out some or all of the following:

Ribbon sticks or streamers, to trace letters in the air.

Chalks on large sugar paper or a chalk board.

Sand in a tray or in a sand pit: practice drawing letters with your finger. This could also be done in a tray of dried rice.

Water and paintbrushes on the pavement or an outdoor wall.

Body pencil: use your whole body as the pencil, to 'draw' letters in the air.

Mix corn-flour and water in a tray to make **goo!** (You could add food colouring to make it more interesting!). Or use a tray of shaving foam. Practice drawing letters with your finger.

Chalks on a footpath or outdoor wall, (where it is okay to wipe them off!).

Sky-writing: writing letters in the air with your finger.

On each other's backs: Draw a letter on the adult's back with your finger, and the adult has to guess what the letter is, (and vice-versa).

Put sand-paper or other textured surfaces underneath the paper, then write or draw on the paper.

