

Welcome to Year 6
Modern Cursive handwriting.
This book will help you
develop your own individual
writing style.

You'll also pick up
tips on how to make your writing faster
and more legible – as well as exploring some
of the wonders of the world! Fill in your
passport first.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of birth: _____

Nationality: _____

Height: _____

Eye colour: _____

Distinguishing characteristics: _____

Current photograph:



Progressive speed trials

Copy this text into the lines below. Have a classmate time you.
Then assess the fluency and legibility of your writing.

Date ___ / ___ / ___ Time taken: ___ seconds

The world contains amazing things — landforms and
structures that have to be seen to be believed!

Rate your fluency.



Rate your legibility.



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When you or your teacher notice any personalised element in your writing (for example, a letter or join that is different to ordinary Modern Cursive), record it on this page. If it doesn't slow you down or make your writing less legible, and you like it, stick with it. If not, think about how you could modify it.



Date	Element of personal style	Is it useful?	If not, how would you like to modify it?	Practise the modified version here
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Copy.

A a B b C c D d E e F f G g

H h I i J j K k L l M m

N n O o P p Q q R r S s T t

U u V v W w X x Y y Z z



Copy.

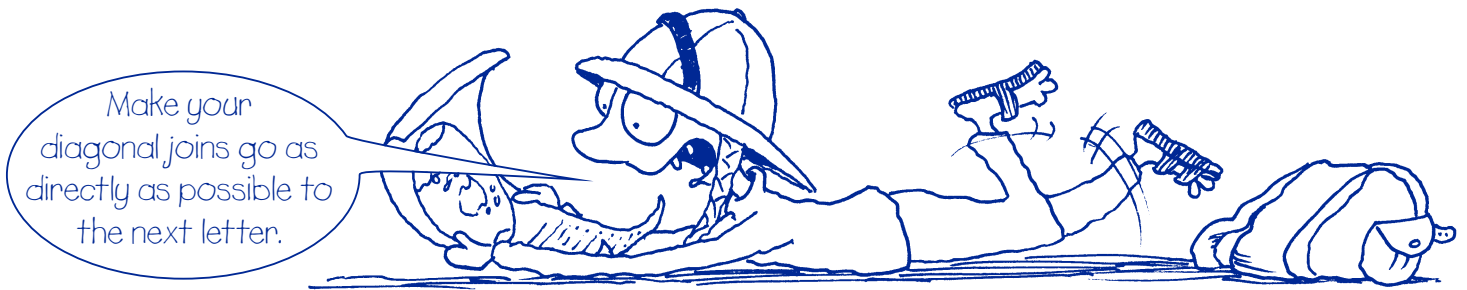
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Get ready to explore the wonders of the world!

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 20 30 40 50

Date: ___ / ___ / ___

★ Revision – Diagonal joins



ti ne le am in du iz ki ur ce pi ly

un ci su ix um he ty er is ky ni xi

tiny knitter dump tuner immune spine

The world contains many wonderful things. The

Wonders of the World include Earth's spectacular

natural features (like Uluru), plus amazing structures

built by people (like the Great Wall of China).

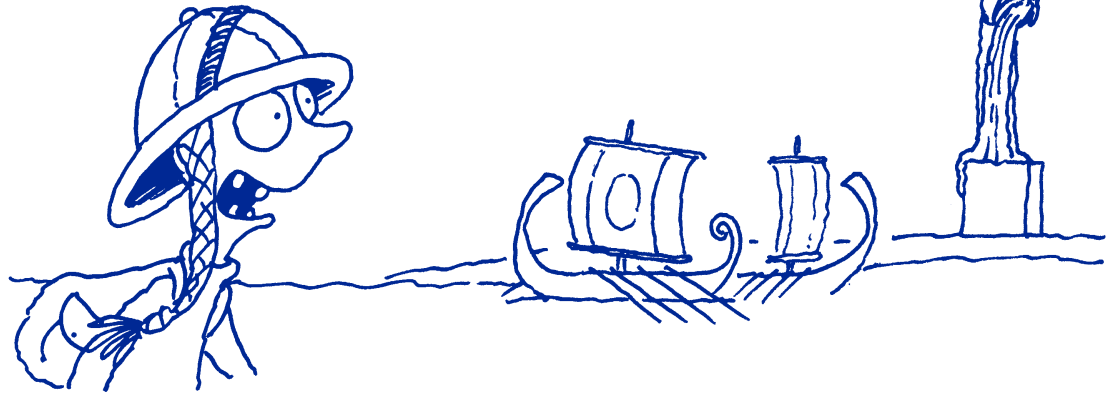
SELF ASSESSMENT		Rate your diagonal joins.	
★	Needs work	★ ★	Monumental effort
★ ★ ★	Spectacular!		

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When you do a diagonal join from s, retrace the bottom of the s before you go on to join.

si
retrace

st
retrace



se si sy su sl st sh sk so sp

slack stove skirt snow spoilt sway

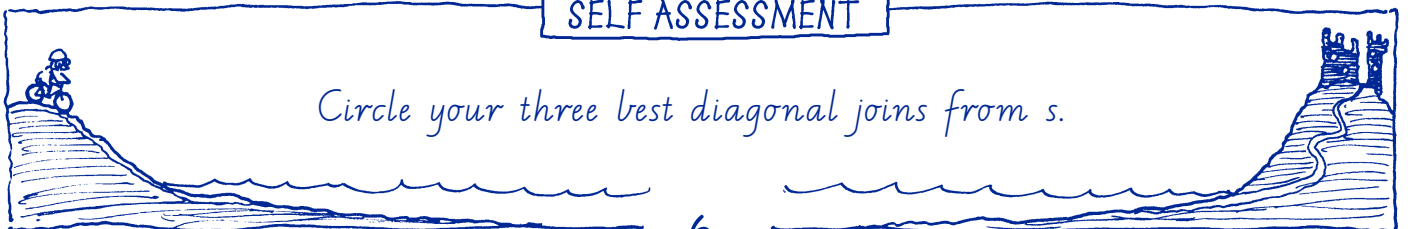
sell shout silk sorry supper smile

The Colossus of Rhodes was an extremely big statue.

It was said a person's arms could not reach around one of the statue's fingers.

SELF ASSESSMENT

Circle your three best diagonal joins from s.



Date: ___ / ___ / ___

★ Revision – Horizontal joins

Horizontal joins from b, o, n, v and w have a small dip.

small dip

rn vi



The horizontal join from f goes from the crossbar.

on rn vi wn bi ru fi rm ou wi

vital monkey loud yawning fiery bite

wiry armour onion vicious furry worm

The statue of Zeus at Olympia contained over a
tonne of gold. It also contained ivory from elephants'
tusks and hippopotamuses' teeth.

SELF ASSESSMENT

Rate your horizontal joins.



Needs work



Monumental effort

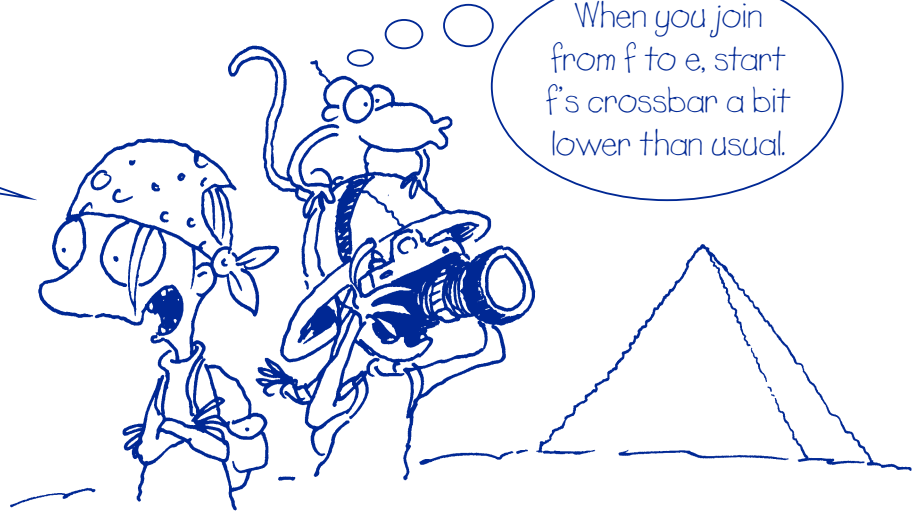


Spectacular!

The horizontal join to e has a bigger dip than an ordinary horizontal join.

When you join from f to e, start f's crossbar a bit lower than usual.

re we



oe re ve we be oe re ve we fe

joey recent mangoes green fellow tower

overt welcome verve revel bendy weasel

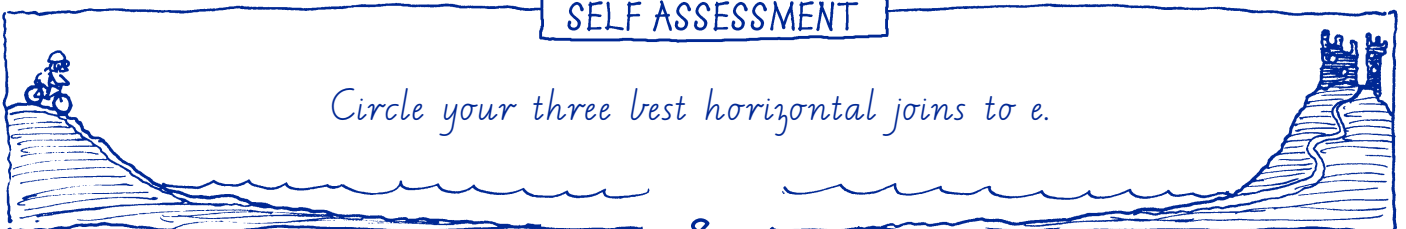
There are very many secret chambers within the

Great Pyramid at Giza. The King's body and

treasure were stolen from one chamber by robbers.

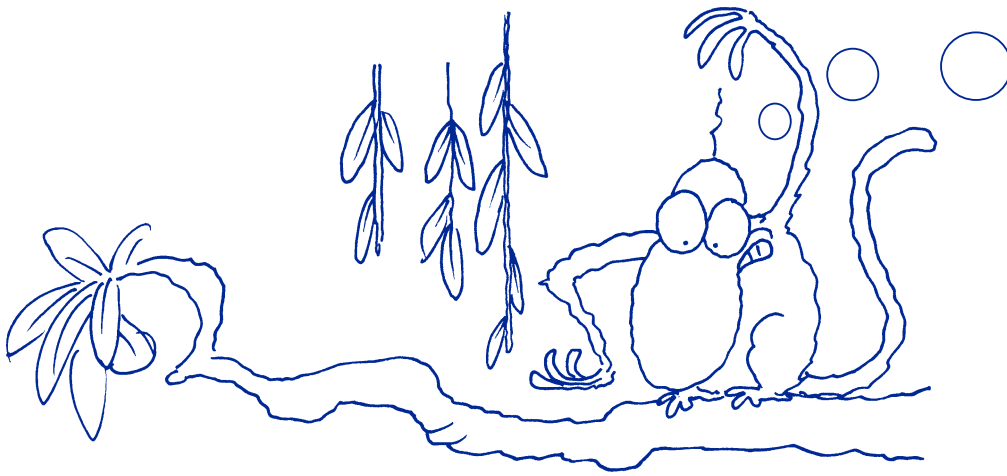
SELF ASSESSMENT

Circle your three best horizontal joins to e.



Date: ___ / ___ / ___

★ Revision – Touch joins



The letters a, c, d, g and q are dropped into place after an exit. Take the exit up high before you lift your pen.

lift pen here
start again here
ma

ed ng aq ca uc nd ha dg ic eq

cattle under click hedge clear equal

aqua nudge danger half tangy nothing

The Hanging Gardens of Babylon were said to have

been built by King Nebuchadnezzar II for his wife,

Amytis, to remind her of home.

SELF ASSESSMENT

Rate your touch joins.

★
Needs work

★ ★
Monumental effort

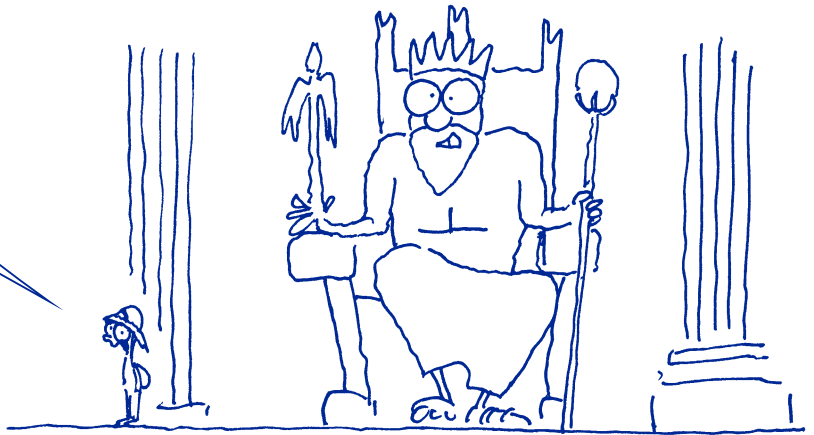
★ ★ ★
Spectacular!

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When you join to the letters a, c, d, g and q, remember to lift your pen and drop the letter into place.

lift pen here
start again here

wa



rd oc va fa rd wa rg ba og od

knock fancy urgent radar bashful vampire

third cougurl starch balance loquacious ogre

The statue of Zeus, king of the Greek gods, was

worth a fortune. It was also enormous, at 13 m high

— taller than a four-storey house!

SELF ASSESSMENT

Underline the words that have your three best touch joins.

