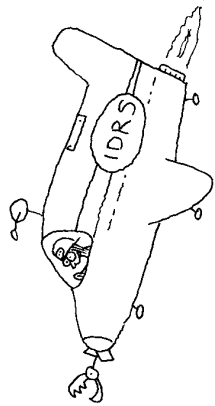
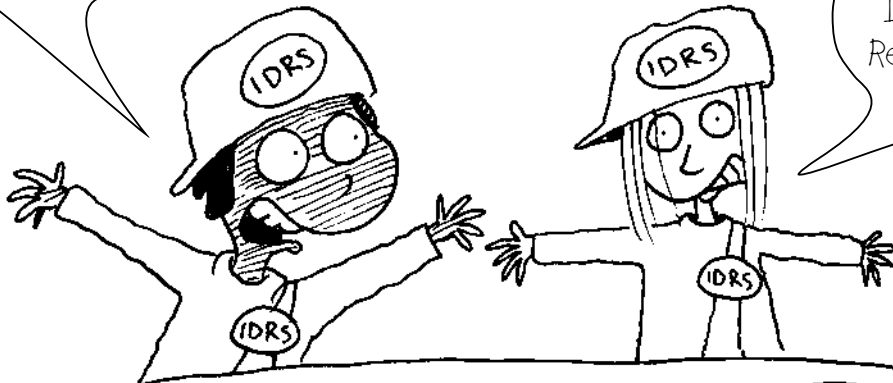


Welcome to Year 5
cursive handwriting. Here you'll find
earthquakes, avalanches, landslides,
tornadoes and other natural
disasters.

You've been
invited to join the famed
International Disaster
Rescue Squad. Fill in your
ID card below.



Name: _____

Date of birth: _____

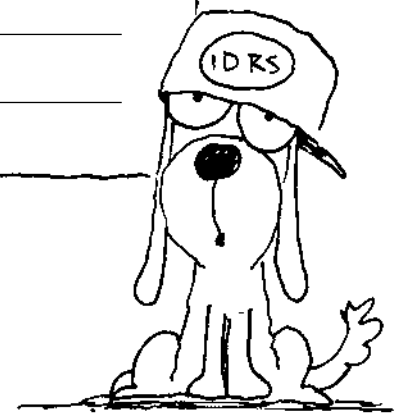
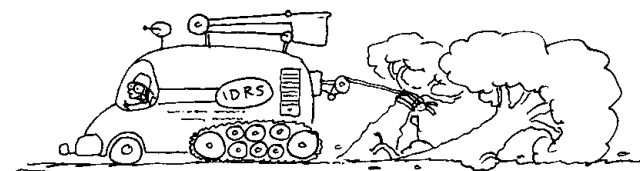
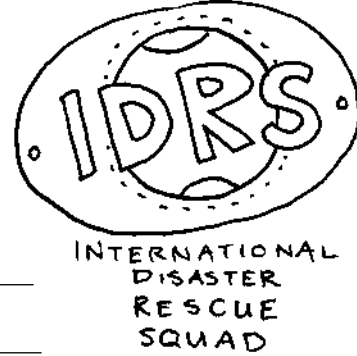
Residence: _____

Years of training: _____

Disaster-fighting experience: _____

Most memorable rescue: _____

Motto: _____



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

A black, hazy cloud just quietly wafted from the
gaping mouth of the extinct volcano!

Rate your fluency.



Rate your legibility.



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Copy.

a b c d e f g h i j k l m

n o p q r s t u v w x y z

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.

Copy. Remember to include each letter's exit and/or entry flicks.

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.



Copy.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M

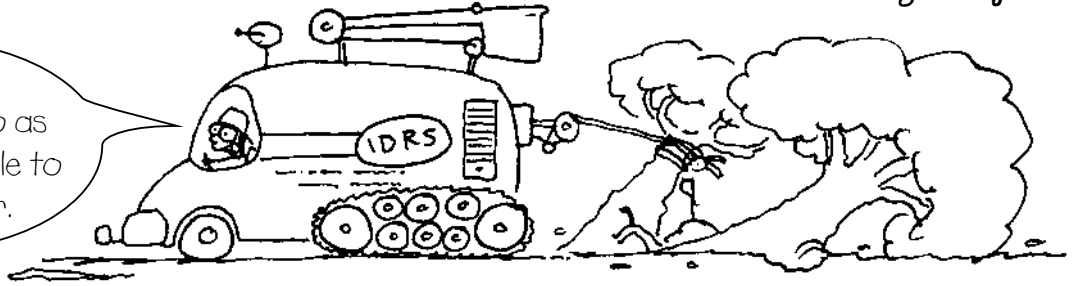
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

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

Date ____ / ____ / ____

★ Revision – Diagonal joins

Make your
diagonal joins go as
directly as possible to
the next letter.



am ap ay ce cr di dr dy he hu

in is le li me ni te ti un zi

deep limp paper ninny mine quiz timpani

Natural disasters affect the shape of the world we

live in. A volcanic explosion can blow the peak off

a mountain. Earthquakes can destroy whole cities.

SELF ASSESSMENT

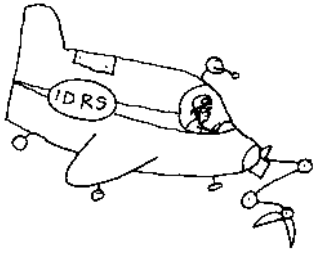
Rate your diagonal joins.

Needs work

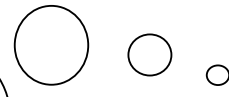
Force 5

Earth-shaking!





When the diagonal join goes to a head and body letter, go right up to the top of the letter and then retrace.



up ↓ retrace
d

up ↓ retrace
ah

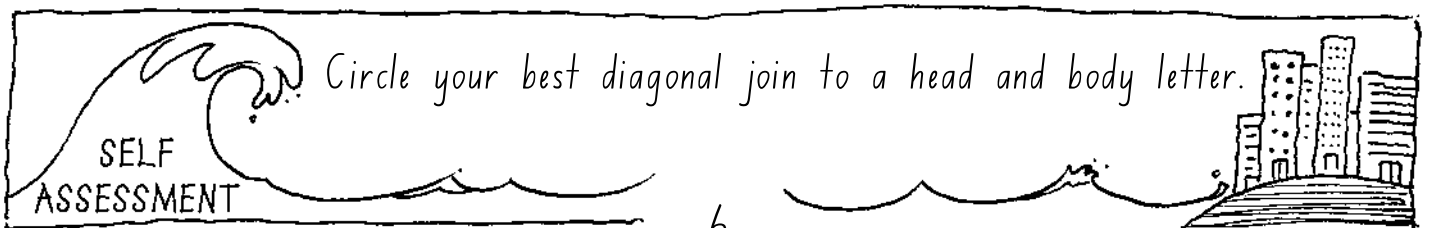
al at ch ck cl dl el et il it

kl lk ll lt nk nt th tl ut zl

till clip peek skittle thin alter inky

Blizzards are violent windstorms that bring snow. The

bitterly chilly winds pile the snow into tall drifts.

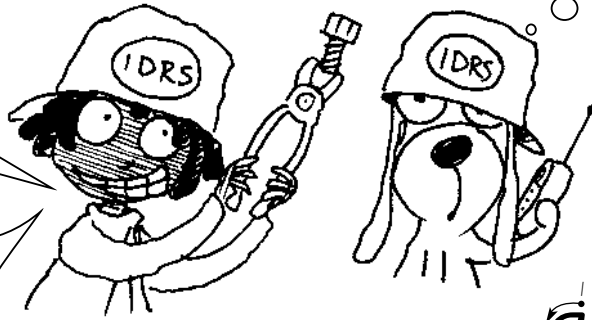


Date ____ / ____ / ____

★ Revision – Drop-in joins

The letters
a, c, d, g, o and q,
are dropped into
place.

The letter f is
also dropped in after
an exit flick.



Take the exit
flick up high before you
lift your pencil.

$\overset{1}{\text{a}}_{\text{exit}} \rightarrow \overset{\text{lift pencil here}}{\text{a}}^* \rightarrow \overset{2}{\text{ac}}$

Copy. For the first line, put a star * to show each place where you lifted your pencil.

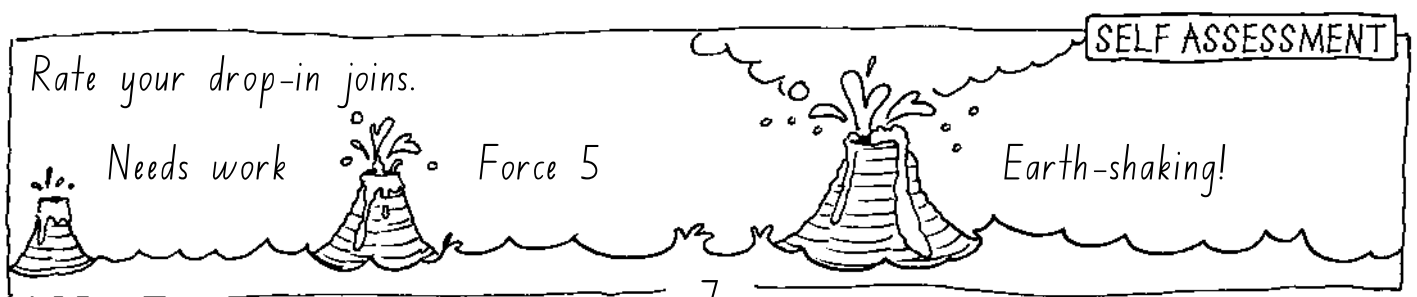
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zo ig ed ng da af ef if lf uf

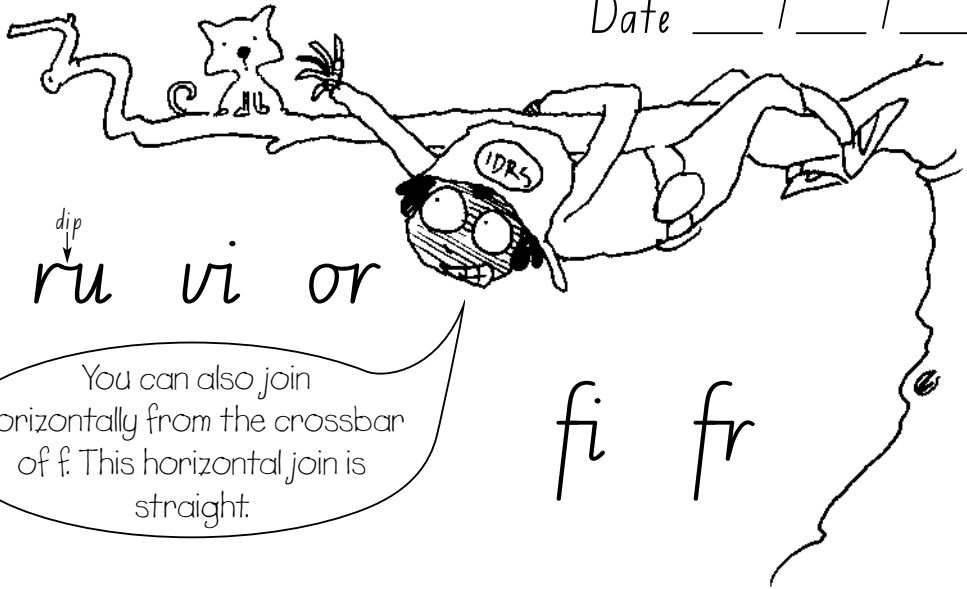
mandarin equal half piglet life tangy loud

Avalanches and landslides can occur after an

earthquake dislodges loose soil and snow.



Use a horizontal join when joining from o, r, v, w and x. These horizontal joins have a small dip.



You can also join horizontally from the crossbar of f. This horizontal join is straight.

fi fr

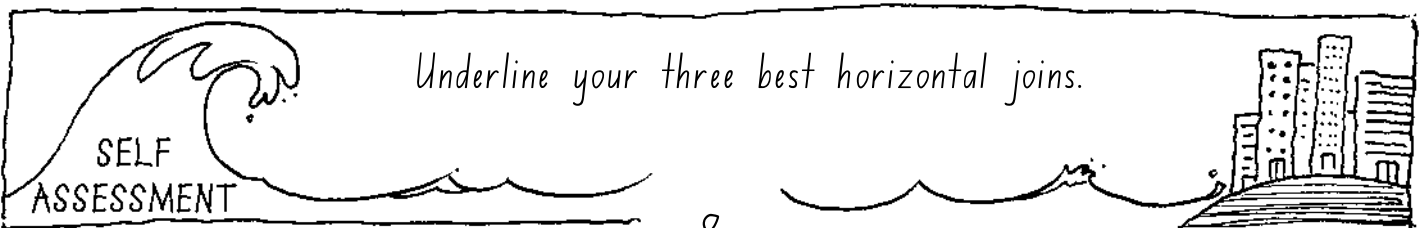
oi om on op or ou ov ow ox ri

rm rn ru rv vi wi wn wr xi xp

action exit loud avid ripple wring storm

furry frill fuzzy fretful fitness friend fringe

Thunderstorms can be frighteningly loud.



Underline your three best horizontal joins.

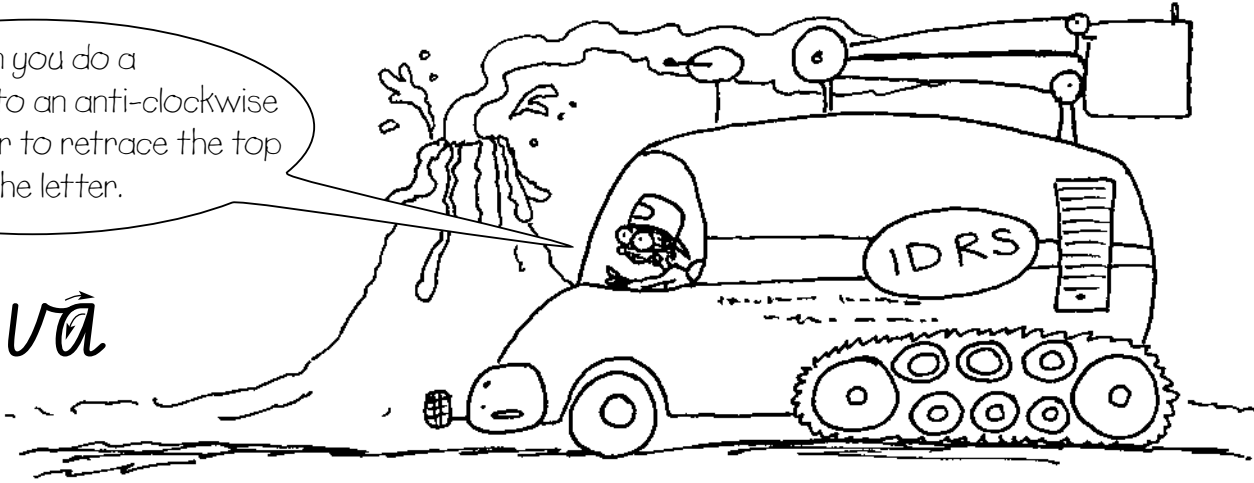
Date ____ / ____ / ____

★ Revision – Horizontal joins to anti-clockwise letters

When you do a horizontal join to an anti-clockwise letter, remember to retrace the top of the letter.

retrace

va



oa oc ra rd ro va vo wa wo xa

road exact word ogre vamoose rock volcano

lava wood radar roast dogged loose various

Lava is liquid rock that erupts from a volcano.

If the volcano isn't very violent, the lava oozes.

SELF ASSESSMENT

Rate your horizontal joins to anti-clockwise letters.

Needs work

Force 5

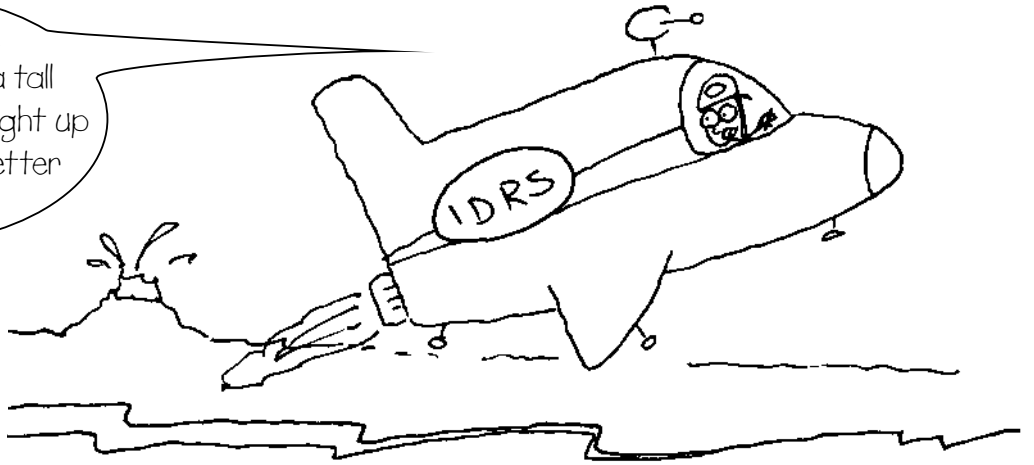
Earth-shaking!



When you do a horizontal join to a tall letter, take the join right up to the top of the letter and retrace.

up retrace
wl

up retrace
of



of wl rt ok rf xt wh fl ol ot

scowl book scarf extent foolish roof when

fleecy party owl whisker orbit extreme robot

Earthquake survivors are often blindfolded when they

emerge, which protects their eyes from the sun.

SELF
ASSESSMENT

Circle your two best horizontal joins to a tall letter.