Handwriting activities for children and parents to use at home

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Teachers! Write your pupil log-in details in here.

## Double letters

Practise double letters:

- Look at the Double letters 'pp' worksheet.
- Use Magic Words to help practise the joins.
- Complete the worksheet neatly.
- Repeat this with the double letters 'rr' worksheet.


For more handwriting practice:

- Type 'double letters' into Letter-join's search.
- Choose the letters you would like to practise.
- Repeat the steps above and copy onto paper or into your book.


## French or Spanish

Writing in another language can help you to focus on neat handwriting.

Try the Colours worksheet then type French or Spanish into the search box to find more.

For more practice:

- Use Magic Words to practise writing the words.
- Try saying the words and phrases to your family members.


## Fun with words

Practise neat handwriting with these fun worksheets:

- Onomatopoeia (a word that sounds like the noise it is describing).
- Similes (comparing two things using 'as' or 'like').



## Word of the Week

Explore a new word every week:

- Use the words below or search 'Year 3-4 Spellings' and choose a word from the list.
abundant undermine meticulous cajole shrewd pompous abolish vague memorable obliterate articulate brittle
- Use a dictionary or thesaurus to find out about your word to help you complete the attached Word of the Week template.
- Practise writing the words using Magic Words.



## Word search

A fun way to practise those tricky spellings:

- Go to Fun > Word Search > Harder, Tricky Spellings.
- Search for the words.
- Write the words out neatly.
- Have a go at using them in a sentence.


## DIY Dictation worksheet 1

Ask a family member to help you:

- Read the example sentences together.
- Each make up your own sentences using each of the verbs.
- Check that your partner can spell each of the verbs correctly.
- Type 'DIY' into the Search bar to
 find more of these worksheets.
www.letterjoin.co.uk


## Double letters: pp

Practise writing the double letters in these words and sentences:


slipper tapping sipped hopping unhappy
disappear opposite stopped apple shopping

The trapped red snapper flapped its flipper.

The yapping puppy tripped over a slipper.

## Make up some more sentences containing pp words:

## Double letters: mr

Practise writing the double letters in these words and sentences:


rr rr rr rr
horrid quarrel sorry correct cherry
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arrive berry mirror arrow tomorrow
$\qquad$
The lorry hurried for the ferry to Derry.
$\qquad$
We made a curry with carrots and marrow.

Make up some more sentences containing rr words:
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## Colours 1: Les couleurs 1

brun jaune
noir bleu orange

## Copy and match these French and English phrases:


une fleur joune
un tracteur bleu
un chat noir
une table brun
une carotte orange
a brown table
an orange carrot
$\qquad$
a yellow flower
$\qquad$
a blue tractor
$\qquad$
a black cat

## Colours 1: Los colores 1

## marrón

 amarilla negroarcul naranja

Copy and match these Spanish and English phrases:

una flor amarilla
$\qquad$
un tractor azul
$\qquad$
un gato negro
una mesa marrón
una zanahoria naranja
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
a blue tractor
a black cat

## Onomatopoeia

An onomatopoeia is a word that sounds like the noise it is describing:
jingle splat gurgle hush achoo clang moo

## Circle the onomatopoeic words in this poem:

## A Thunderstorm

Grumble, roar! The thunder booms.
Pitter, patter! Rain on the roof.
Swish, swash! Rain on the windscreen.
Quick! Run to the house! Splash, splosh!
Sit by the fire. Crackle, crackle!
pop whizz sizzle plonk spit oompah
hiss thump crack ring twang whoosh

Copy the onomatopoeias from the box above to match these words:
fireworks $\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
music
sausages $\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

Write a sound that each of these animals make:


## Similes 1

A simile compares two different things and usually begins with as or contains like.
Here are some common similes to copy in your best handwriting and try not to make your writing too large:

as busy as a bee
as flat as a pancake
as proud as a peacock
as snug as a bug in a rug
to sing like an angel
to have eyes like a hawk
to eat like a pig
as cold as ice
as light as a feather
as pretty as a picture
as tough as old boots
to fight like cat and dog
to sleep like a log
to act like an animal

Make up some similes of your own and be as descriptive as you can:

## Word of the Week

Write this week's word six times:
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Use a dictionary to find the definition of this week's word:
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Write some synonyms of this week's word:
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Write some antonyms of this week's word:
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Write some sentences using this week's word:

## DIY Dictation worksheet 1

## Regular verbs: i

Working in pairs, both write three sentences in your best handwriting for each verb using a different form of the verb for each sentence.


Example: enjoy
Tim the troll enjoyed the party.
Ollie the ogre enjoys knitting.
Princess Belle is enjoying her boxing lesson.
point painted paints painting
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laugh laughed laughs laughing
$\qquad$
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Now dictate each sentence to your partner and say the verb for them to write down. Check that the spellings are correct.

