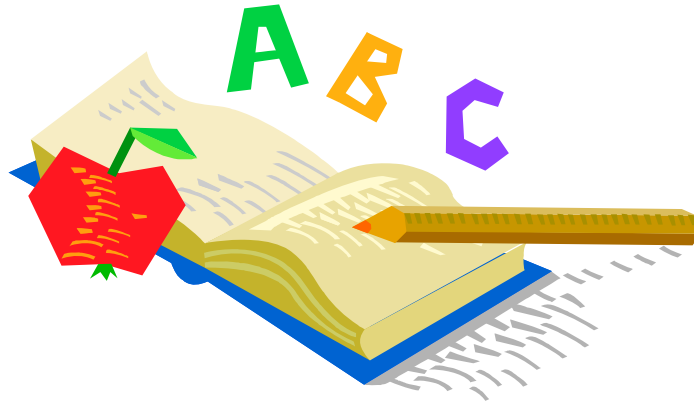


HANDWRITING PRACTICE PACKET



LETTERS & NUMERALS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PENMANSHIP PRACTICE



Handwriting is very important in kindergarten. It is important for children to learn not only how to form letters but also how to form them correctly.

It will be helpful if we are teaching students the same thing at home and school. When looking at the letter formation chart, please remember the following points:

1. All letters use a continuous stroke whenever possible.
2. Letters do not start from the bottom line.
3. Each number represents a lift of the pencil.
 - a. For example the capital letter "A" has a 1, 2, AND 3. This means that the pencil is lifted two times while making the letter. The lowercase "a" has the number "1" because it uses just one stroke without any lifting (it has another arrow, but not another number).

When practicing at home, please experiment with tools other than just pencils and paper. You may want to use shaving cream on a table, for example. Another idea is to have student write numbers with a stick in the sand at the beach or a backyard sandbox. Chalkboards and dry erase boards work well, too!

Different ways of writing help make practice more fun!