Handwriting Medium Term Plan (RWI Stage 1a)

## Letter formation

Use the checklists below to teach handwriting for the following letters:

- 'Around' letters: caodg q
- 'Down' letters: ltbpkhijmnruy
- 'Curly' letters: e f s
- 'Zigzag’ letters: v w z x.

| Day | 'Around' Letters | Handwriting saying |
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| 1 | $\operatorname{bo}^{\infty}$ | Checklist: caterpillar <br> $\checkmark$ start at the caterpillar's head <br> $\checkmark$ curl around the body |
| 2 | $G Q$ | Checklist: apple <br> $\checkmark$ start at the stalk <br> $\checkmark$ draw a nice round apple <br> $\checkmark$ go back up to the stalk, then down <br> $\checkmark$ curl the leaf at the bottom |
| 3 | 00 | Checklist: orange <br> $\checkmark$ start at the stalk <br> $\checkmark$ draw a nice round orange |
| 4 |  | Checklist: dinosaur <br> $\checkmark$ draw a big round bottom <br> $\checkmark$ up the tall neck <br> $\checkmark$ down the straight line to the feet <br> $\checkmark$ draw a curl for the feet |
| 5 |  | Checklist: girl <br> $\checkmark$ start at her hair bobble on top of her head <br> $\checkmark$ draw a nice round face <br> $\checkmark$ go back up to her bobble <br> $\checkmark$ down her very straight hair <br> $\checkmark$ draw a round curl to finish |
| 6 | $\underbrace{2}$ | Checklist: queen <br> $\checkmark$ start at her hair bobble on top of her head <br> $\checkmark$ draw a nice round face <br> $\checkmark$ go back up to her bobble <br> $\checkmark$ down her very straight hair <br> $\checkmark$ add a sharp flick to finish |
|  | 'Down' Letters |  |
| 7 |  | Checklist: Liam's leg <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of his leg <br> $\checkmark$ go down his long leg <br> $\checkmark$ add a curl for the shoe to kick the ball |
| 8 |  | Checklist: tower <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the tower <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight line down the tower <br> $\checkmark$ add a curl at the bottom - then lift the pencil off the page <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight line across the tower |


| 9 | $8$ | Checklist: boot <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the boot <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight line down the boot <br> $\checkmark$ go round over the toe <br> $\checkmark$ go back to the heel |
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| 10 |  | Checklist: Polly Pirate <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of her plait <br> $\checkmark$ draw down her long straight plait <br> $\checkmark$ go round over her face <br> $\checkmark$ finish under her chin |
| 11 | \& | Checklist: kangaroo <br> $\checkmark$ start at the kangaroo's head <br> $\checkmark$ draw down the long straight body - then lift the pencil off the page <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight tail to the body - two-thirds of the way down <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight back leg from the body |
| 12 | 身 | Checklist: horse <br> $\checkmark$ start at the horse's head <br> $\checkmark$ draw down her long straight neck <br> $\checkmark$ continue down to her feet <br> $\checkmark$ go round her back <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight back leg <br> $\checkmark$ add a little curl of dust as the horse runs away |
| 13 | $\text { 米 } 1$ | Checklist: insect <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the insect's neck <br> $\checkmark$ draw down the short straight body <br> $\checkmark$ draw a curl for a small round tail <br> $\checkmark$ add a little dot for the head |
| 14 |  | Checklist: jack-in-a-box <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the jack-in-a-box's neck <br> $\checkmark$ draw down the long straight body <br> $\checkmark$ draw a smooth curl for the legs <br> $\checkmark$ add a dot for the head |
| 15 |  | Checklist: Maisie and the mountains <br> $\checkmark$ start at Maisie's head <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight body for Maisie <br> $\checkmark$ go over the mountains - from Maisie's waist <br> $\checkmark$ check the mountains are the same height as Maisie <br> $\checkmark$ add a small curl for the grass |
| 16 |  | Checklist: Nobby and his net <br> $\checkmark$ start at Nobby's head <br> $\checkmark$ go straight down Nobby <br> $\checkmark$ go over the net - from Nobby's waist <br> $\checkmark$ check the net is the same height as Nobby <br> $\checkmark$ add a small curl for the grass |
| 17 | $\square$ | Checklist: robot <br> $\checkmark$ start at the robot's head <br> $\checkmark$ go straight down its body <br> $\checkmark$ go over the robot's arm - from its waist |
| 18 | $m^{2} \text { rep } 1$ | Checklist: umbrella <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the handle <br> $\checkmark$ draw down the straight line for the handle <br> $\checkmark$ go round underneath the umbrella and back up the other side <br> $\checkmark$ go down the umbrella <br> $\checkmark$ add a little curl for the puddle |


| 19 | $\left.\begin{array}{l} \dot{g} \\ \ddot{8} \end{array}\right\}$ | Checklist: yak <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the first horn <br> $\checkmark$ draw down the straight line for the first horn <br> $\checkmark$ go round underneath the horns <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight line up for the second horn <br> $\checkmark$ go down and curl under its head |
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|  | 'Curly' Letters |  |
| 20 | any | Checklist: egg <br> $\checkmark$ draw up around the shell that needs to be cut off the boiled egg <br> $\checkmark$ go round underneath the egg |
| 21 | $\overbrace{}^{\infty}+$ | Checklist: flower <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top of the flower <br> $\checkmark$ draw around and down the flower stem - then lift the pencil off the page <br> $\checkmark$ draw a straight line across the leaves |
| 22 | $S$ | Checklist: snake <br> $\checkmark$ start at the snake's head <br> $\checkmark$ curl one way <br> $\checkmark$ curl the other |
|  | 'Zig Zag' Letters |  |
| 23 | No $1 /$ | Checklist: vulture <br> $\checkmark$ draw two straight lines for the wings - down, up |
| 24 |  | Checklist: worm <br> $\checkmark$ draw four straight lines, all the same length - down, up, down, up |
| 25 |  | Checklist: zigzag <br> $\checkmark$ draw three straight lines - across, diagonally back, across |
| 26 |  | Checklist: exercise <br> $\checkmark$ start at the top left <br> $\checkmark$ draw one straight line diagonally down - lift the pencil off the page <br> $\checkmark$ start at the bottom left <br> $\checkmark$ go diagonally up |

