# Handwriting phrases for helping your child to form letters

This works best if your child practises for a short time every day.

1. Show the picture side and air-write as you say the phrase.
2. Ask your child to practise in the air with you.
3. Using a sharp pencil and sat at a table, encourage your child to have a go.
4. Praise your child for their efforts.

m Maisie, mountain, mountain
a round the apple, down the leaf
s slither down the snake
d round his bottom, up his tall neck and down to his feet
t down the tower, across the tower
i down the body, dot for the head
n down Nobby, over his net
p down the plait and over the pirate's face
g round her face, down her hair and give her a curl
o all around the orange
c curl around the caterpillar
k down the kangaroo's body, tail and leg
u down and under, up to the top and draw the puddle
b down the laces to the heel, round the toe
f down the stem and draw the leaves
e lift off the top and scoop out the egg
l down the long leg
h down the head to the hooves and over his back
r down his back and then curl over his arm
j down his body, curl and dot
v down a wing, up a wing
y down a horn, up a horn and under his head
w down, up, down, up
z zig-zag-zig
q round her head, up past her earrings and down her hair
x down the arm and leg and repeat the other side