

Analysing your handwriting



Is your handwriting easy to read?

Think about something you'd like to write by hand. Try writing one or two paragraphs on a sheet of paper.

Now analyse your handwriting by completing this table. If you find it difficult, ask a friend to help.

	yes	no
Are all your capital letters the same size?		
Are all your small letters the same size?		
Do you have a mix of capitals and small letters in the same word?		
Are the letters joined up?		
Are you confident that you are forming each letter properly?		
Do the tails of letters like 'p' get mixed up with letters on the next line?		
Do you think you grip the pen too tightly?		

Now look back at your writing. Put a circle around any words or letters that are messy or more difficult to read.

Choose letter patterns or words from your writing. Write the letters as clearly as possible as this can help to identify any pattern that you need to change or practise. Do the letters appear in different sizes on the page? Are the joins between letters going in the right direction?