

Supporting Handwriting in Year 5

Handwriting in Year 5 should be joined, legible and cursive.

All writing must be placed along the line with a clear finger space separating each one.

Ascending letters are tall letters, reaching close to the top of the line. Descending letters drop down past the bottom line.

The National Curriculum states that children in year 5 should be able to "Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by: Choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters."

The Crocodile

How doth the little crocodile
Improve his shining tail,
And pour the waters of the Nile
On every golden scale!

How cheerfully he seems to grin,
How neatly spreads his claws,
And welcomes little fishes in
With gently smiling jaws!

Lewis Carroll

The Worm

Today I saw a little worm,
Wriggling on his belly,
Perhaps he'd like to come inside,
And see what's on the telly.

SPIKE MILLIGAN

Matthew, Mark, Luke and John,
Bless the bed that I lay on;
Four corners to my bed,
Four angels round my head,
One to watch and one to pray,
And two to bear my soul away.