

Welcome to this book

The **WriteWell** series will help you to develop good handwriting habits. As you work through the series, you will learn how to improve your handwriting and develop your own style.

This is **Book 6**. In this book, you will start to join your letters for the first time. Joining makes writing quicker for most people, but it takes some practice!

The joins

There are two main types of join: diagonal joins and horizontal joins. The join you need depends on where the previous letter ends.

Diagonal joins (for letters that end at the baseline)

Horizontal joins (for letters that end at the short letter line)



In the examples above, you can see that a **red dot** is used to show the starting point of the first letter, and a **purple dot** is used to show the starting point of the second letter. A **purple line** is used to show the join.

Every joining unit will have an example like the ones above. Look carefully at the example and then work through the activities. You will trace the join first and then write it by yourself. At the end of each unit, you will practise using the joins in words and sentences.

Checking your work

When you finish a unit, look back at your work. Do your joins look like the example? Circle your best join and then choose one to improve.

Before you start

Check that your body is in the correct position for writing. Ask an adult to help you.



Posture ✓



Pencil grip and pressure ✓



Paper position ✓