

# Writing tips

4 years plus

- Get a notepad for your child to write or draw in when you're out and about.
- Make a fan with your child by folding paper into a concertina.
- Make maps of where you're going or where you've been or treasure maps.
- Help your child to write the words to go with photos or pictures and make them into a book.
- Do jigsaws with your child (up to 30 pieces).
- Help your child make masks and hats so they can act out stories they know.
- Write party invitations together or play cafes, your child can write the menu and write down what each person wants to eat.
- Show your child how to use tools such as screwdrivers and spanners.
- Set up suitable computer games such as one from CBeebies, so that your child can learn to control a mouse.
- Play ball games with your child, throwing and catching or use bats and balls.

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## "What I like"

- To put my name on things.
- Playing games on the computer.
- Jumping, hopping, skipping, climbing and being outside.
- Dancing to music.
- Making models.

## "What I can do"

- Know the difference between writing and drawing and that writing has meaning.
- Tell the difference between letters and words.
- Write my own name.
- Try to spell familiar words.
- Concentrate and sit still for longer.



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Did you know?

Your child is able to write letters with more control and needs to practise this skill by writing for a purpose, such as cards and menus. They will naturally be using their left or right hand more when writing.

