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WRITING TIME

Adventures in handwriting



New South Wales Foundation Style

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Pattern Matching

Copy the patterns from the grid onto the corresponding numbered area of the picture.



1	Horizontal lines	2	Grid of circles
3	Grid of dots	4	Grid of crosses
5	Wavy lines	6	Diagonal lines



Australian English

Australia is a multicultural country. Although we speak English, many of our words come from other languages and cultures.



Diagonal Joins to Neckline Entries: Trace and copy these joins and words from other cultures. Remember, extend the exit to the start of the next letter. Don't lift your pencil.

ai → ai → ai

ai am an ap au ay ci cr cu di de dr

ee ei em en ep er eu he hi hu ie in

ip ir ki le li lu mi ne nu te tu um

eraser croissant curry salmon skiing apple

Fine Motor Skills: Copy the indigenous names of these animals inside their matching shapes. The first one is done for you.



Spacing to Fit: Trace and complete this postcard to Sam using the 'Aussie' words below. Focus on fitting the words neatly into the spaces provided.

space

correct spacing

space

incorrect spacing

Aussie barramundi Giday barbie goanna snags scrub

Sam,
 My weekend camping out
 in the _____ was great!
 We caught _____
 in the river and cooked
 them with some _____
 on the _____. We saw
 a huge _____
 climbing a tree too.
 Your _____ mate,



To:
 Sam Smith
 56 Kennedy Drive
 Los Angeles



Don't forget to sign your name.

Trace and copy these words from other cultures.

banana chimpanzee kangaroo zebra lizard

horizon safari jumbo penguin bangle pizza

Trace and copy these words from other cultures.

hamburger bonanza kindergarten spaghetti

calamari cruise gourmet magazine ballet

Copy each word beside its language of origin. Use the clues to help you.

umbrella canary exit archer kangaroo mathematics

Clue	Language of origin	Word
School subject	Ancient Greek	
Protects you from rain	Italian	
Small yellow bird	Spanish	
A marsupial	Aboriginal	
To go out	Latin	
Uses a bow and arrow	French	

Fine Motor Skills: Finish drawing hair on the orangutan, then colour.



Posture, Paper Position and Pencil Grip:

Before you begin writing, refer to page 69, then complete this checklist:

- My feet are flat on the floor. I'm sitting up straight.
 My page is slightly rotated and directly in front of me. I'm holding my pencil correctly.



Copy. Some words in this passage originate from other languages. Circle at least 3.

We sat on the verandah of the bungalow, eating
samosas and sipping coffee while playing canasta.

It was a warm evening so we were wearing our
light, cotton pyjamas and had bare feet. The breeze
blew gently as we swatted mosquitoes.

Printing: Unscramble these letters to find the names of 10 countries. The first one is done for you.

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| 1. aInid | India | 6. laytI |
| 2. ecaFrn | | 7. naSpi |
| 3. yarGemn | | 8. xcoMie |
| 4. dagEnln | | 9. rIleadn |
| 5. anhCi | | 10. ceGree |

Reflection

Draw a star beside your best line of handwriting on this page.