



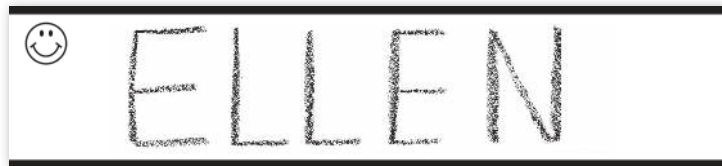
Help Me Write My Name

Children love their names! Does your child recognize their name? Do you see them trying to write their name? Teaching children to write their name depends on two things: age and readiness.

Capital Name

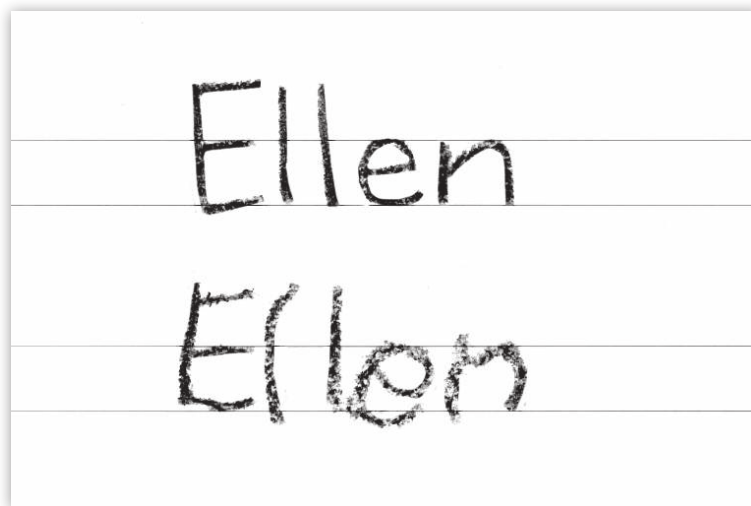
Your child won't always write in capitals, but it's the easiest way for them to start. This is especially true for your struggling writers or children with special needs. You can explain that there are two ways to write a name. The big letter way and the little letter way. Show them both, but focus on capitals first. Explain to them that when their hands get stronger, they can learn the other way, too.

1. Teach name in capitals with careful demonstration and imitation activities.
2. Put your strip above your child's strip. Demonstrate each letter on your strip and wait for your child to imitate you. Do this letter by letter (see below).



Title Case Name

When you feel your child has had sufficient practice with their capitals, it's time to add lowercase letters. Most children look forward to learning this new skill. Teach title case name using demonstration and imitation on double lines. When teaching their name in title case, consider using paper with wide double lines to give your child guidance. Use 8 ½" x 11" paper with double lines drawn about 1.5 inches apart (see below).





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HELP ME WRITE MY NAME IN CAPITALS

Capitals are the first way to teach children their names. Capitals are the foundation for good handwriting habits. Demonstrate how to start each letter at the top and form each letter correctly. Use the Capital Letter Formation Chart from school.



Adult demonstrates.



Child imitates.



Help Me Write My Name in Title Case

Title case is for children who can already write their names in capitals. The beginning capital fits in a gray block. Small letters fit between the double lines. Tall letters such as **t**, **l**, or **h** go above the double lines and use the top space. Descending letters such as **g**, **j**, or **y** go below the double lines into the bottom space. Demonstrate each letter and wait for the child to imitate you, letter by letter.



Adult demonstrates.



Child imitates.



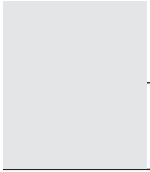


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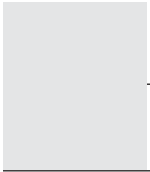
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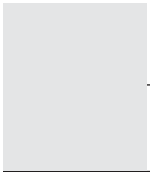
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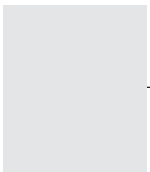
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