Handwriting Without Tears Welcome Letter



Dear Family,

We are excited about the handwriting program we are using this school year. Handwriting Without Tears® makes writing joyful for children by using music, animations, and hands-on materials to teach students to correctly form letters and numbers. We believe handwriting is a critical skill to master because it directly links to literacy and students' overall school success. When handwriting is automatic, children are able to focus their attention on creating quality written work.

Your child will be using the *Letters and Numbers for Me* handwriting book and the Digital Student App to learn letters and numbers, as well as how to print words and sentences correctly. The handwriting book also introduces punctuation and beginning poetry and paragraph skills. Our goal is to build the good handwriting habits necessary for your child to succeed in school.

On the attached pages you will find information to get started using the Digital Student App from home. You'll also find letter and number formation charts, so you'll know what to say when helping your child with handwriting. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you!









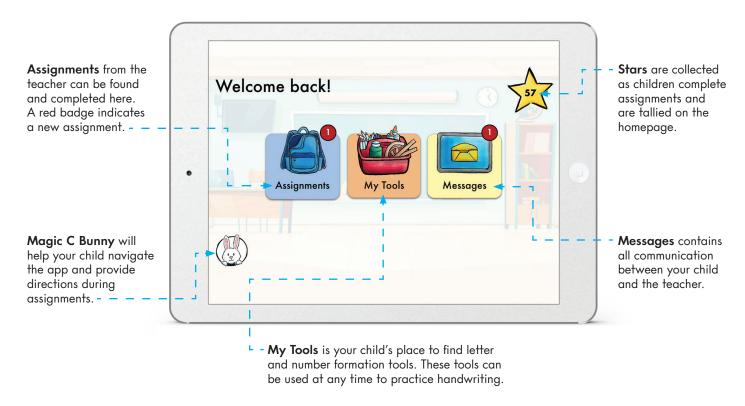
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Handwriting Without Tears Digital Student App

At-Home Learning

Get to Know the App

Welcome to the Digital Student App homepage! Here is where students will find:





Visit LWTears.com/support to watch the Digital Student App Tutorial for Families for more information.

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Help Your Child Log in

If your child's class uses a platform like Classlink, Clever, or Google SSO, simply click the Digital Student App and your child will be automatically logged in, no further steps are needed!

If your child's class does not use a platform, teachers will provide the credentials needed to login. Once you have your child's credentials, follow these steps to access the app:

Go to HWT-Student.LWTears.com.

(only for initial login)

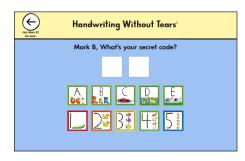
1. Enter Your Teacher's PIN



2. Choose Your Class & Name



3. Enter Your Secret Code



Tips for Getting Started



It's strongly recommended that children use the app on a touch screen device.

The app will request access to your device's microphone and camera. Be sure to allow access to ensure full functionality of the app's features.



Make sure that the sound on your child's device is turned on, and at a volume that your child can hear the app's audio.

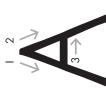


If your child does not have a physical handwriting book at home, they may need access to a printer.

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Capital Formation Chart

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Big Line Big Line Little Line

Big Curve LiĦle Line

Big Line LiĦle Line Little Line

Big Line Li#le Line Little Line Little Line

Big Curve Go around

Big Line Big Line Big Line







Li#le Line Big Line Li#le Line

Big Line Little Curve

Little Curve

Liffle Line Big Line Big Line

Big Line Little Line

Big Line Big Line Big Line Big Line

Big Line Li#le Line Li#le Line

Little Line

Big Line Turn



Big Line Big Line Big Line Big Line

Big Line Big Line

Big Line Turn Big Line

Big Line Li#le Line

Little Curve

Little Curve

Turn



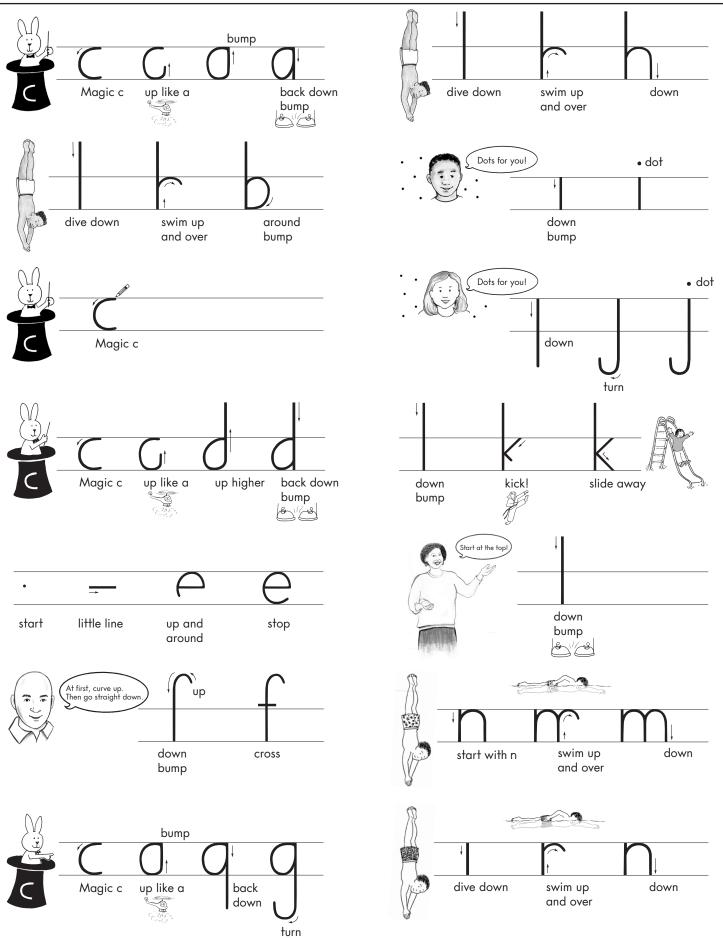
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Little Line Big Line



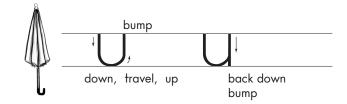
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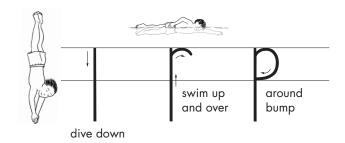


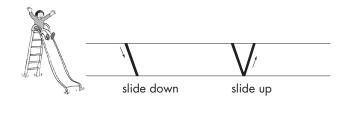


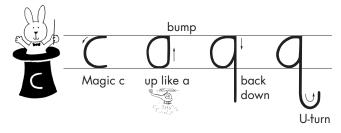
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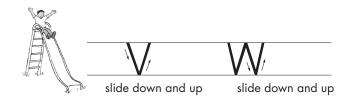


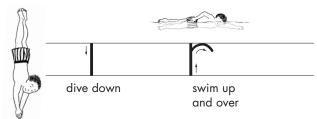


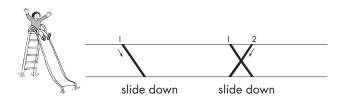


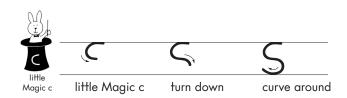


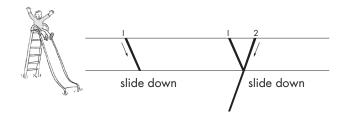


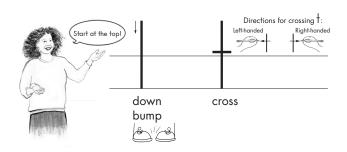














Number Stories



I starts in the Starting Corner.

- I makes a Big Line down.
- I stops in the corner.



b starts in the Starting Corner.

- **b** is a baby bear.
- **b** goes down to curl up in the corner.
- **b** is hibernating.



2 starts in the Starting Corner.

- 2 makes a Big Curve.
- 2 stops in the corner.
- 2 walks away on the bottom.



7 starts in the Starting Corner.

- 7 makes a Little Line across the top.
- 7 says, "I better slide down."



3 starts in the Starting Corner.

- 3 makes a Little Curve to the middle.
- 3 makes another Little Curve to the bottom corner.



8 is different.

- 8 doesn't like corners.
- 8 starts at the top center.
- 8 begins with **S** and then goes home.



4 starts in the Starting Corner.

- **4** makes a Little Line down to the middle.
- 4 walks across the dark night.
- **4** jumps to the top and says, "I did it." (Big Line down)



9 is so special.

- 1 has its own corner.
- **1** makes a Little Curve and goes up to the corner.
- 1 makes a Big Line down.



5 starts in the Starting Corner.

- 5 makes a Little Line down to the middle. It starts to rain.
- 5 makes a Little Curve around.
- 5 puts a Little Line on top to stop the rain.





10 uses two places.

- I comes first.
- **0** is next.
- **0** starts at the top center.
- 10 is finished.