



EarlyBird Education

Letter Sound and Letter Name

Letter Sound and Letter Name – Letter Formation

Hello EarlyBird Families!

Learning to map letter sounds onto letters can be supported as your child is learning letter formation. A strategy that can be effective, is to say the letter name, keyword, and sound as your child forms the letter. This means for every letter written, there will be three strokes in the formation. For example, when forming the letter 'a', your child will begin by making a half circle, then make a line that goes straight up, and then trace that same line going down. You can follow the strokes for each letter as annotated on the worksheets.

When there are only 1 or 2 strokes in the letter formation, i.e., the letters c, i, j, etc., you will count putting the pencil on or off the paper as one of the strokes. The purpose of three strokes is to allow your child to say three specific things while writing: letter, keyword, and sound. The letter, keyword, and sound are listed below but can also be found on the Alphabet Cards.

These works sheets contain the consonants. See additional worksheets for vowels.

a apple /a/	e egg /e/	i igloo /i/	o on /o/	u up /u/
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