

HOW TO HELP WITH... WRITING

PRACTICE HANDWRITING



Just like we need to be able to read quickly enough to understand what we're reading, we also need to write fluently enough so that we can think about what we're writing. Practising clear, fluent, and joined handwriting can help children to put greater focus on the content of their writing.

TALK ABOUT PURPOSE

It is important to talk about why we're writing what we're writing. Even something as simple as writing in a birthday card can prompt discussion about what to write, why we're writing it, and what we want the reader to feel!

PRACTICE SPELLING

Talking about spelling rules, spotting patterns, and even talking about how some words are similar are all useful things to talk about when your child is practising their spellings!

TALK ABOUT THEIR READING

Good readers have a better chance of becoming good writers.

Talk with your children about the words an author has chosen, why they have chosen them, and some other words that the author might have used instead.