

Letter Formation Fun

Here are some fun ways of engaging children in letter formation (or name writing) practise...

Sandy letters

Writing in a tray of sand, using finger or a writing tool. You could also write in the sand if visiting the seaside.



Gloopy/ edible letters

Put some gloopy food on a tray or plate, and have your child trace or copy the letter with a finger. You can try any squishy food that your child likes - such as yoghurt, custard, Angel Delight or jelly instant pudding mix.

If your child dislikes the tactile sensation, then put the gloopy food in a Ziploc bag to get the sensation without the messy feeling! Fill the bag about a quarter full, and squeeze out all the air. You will need to tape the bag down to enable the letters to be formed more easily.

Shaving foam letters

Writing in a tray of shaving foam or in the wall in the bathroom at bath time.



Wet & dry letters

You need a chalkboard for this one. You draw the letter with chalk and then have your child trace the letter with a **piece of wet sponge**. Your child can also use their index finger to trace your letter before or after the wet sponge is used.

Other sensory examples...

Writing in salt, glitter, sugar, flower, rice, sprinkles, mud!



