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*Basic & Cursive Italic*

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# GETTY-DUBAY CURSIVE ITALIC LOWERCASE JOINS

## JOIN 1: DIAGONAL

Join 1 is a straight diagonal line from the baseline to the waistline into **n, m, r,** and **x.**

*a* → *añ*  
diagonal  
to soft angle

**an** an en in kn mn nn un  
Trace & copy. *an*

Double n  
Silent n

*nn* running winner n autumn  
*nn*

PREFIX: en-  
SUFFIX: -en

*en-* enclose encourage *-en* taken  
*en*

CONSONANT SOUND:  
KN: N sound

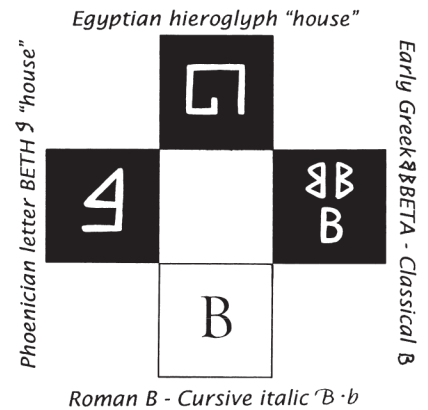
*kn* knot know or know  
*kn*

PREFIX: in-

*in-* include interpret  
*in*

PREFIX: un-

*un-* unusual  
*un*



Circle one of your best diagonal joins into n.

## WORD ORIGINS

JOIN 1 joins are underlined.

**CLIPPED WORDS** are words shortened by common use, known as Zipf's Principle.

ZIPF'S PRINCIPLE:  
The principle of least effort—George Kingsley Zipf, Professor of Comparative Philology at Harvard University. (Philology is the study of literature.)

Write the shortened form of each word.

*a* advertisement omnibus gymnasium  
*a*

*a* hamburger memorandum referee

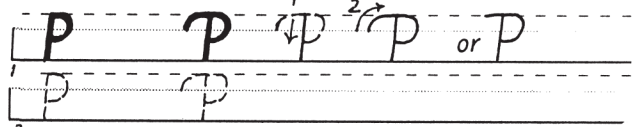
Write other clipped words from automobile, bicycle, examination, mathematics, and veterinarian.

*a*  
*a*  
*a*

EGYPTIAN HIEROGLYPH    PHOENICIAN LETTER    GREEK LETTER    ROMAN LETTER    BASIC ITALIC    CURSIVE ITALIC CAPITAL



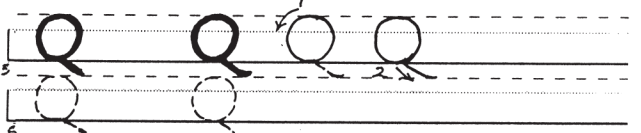
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Paiute · Pawnee · Potawatomi · Puyallup



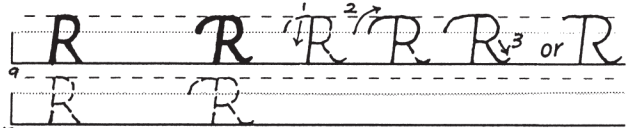
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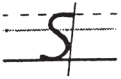
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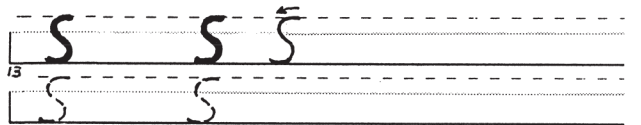
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3rd stroke: soft curve  
exit serif



Rappahannock · Ree · Rosebud Sioux



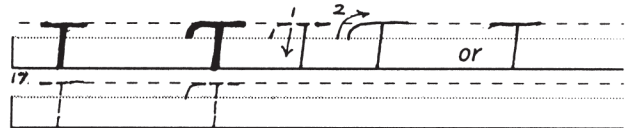
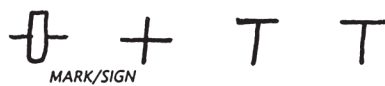
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Seneca · Shoshone · Sioux · Skokomish



2nd stroke: curve  
entrance serif



Te-Moak · Tlingit · Tonkawa · Tuscarora



- 1 LOOK
  - 2 PLAN
  - 3 PRACTICE
- CHECKLIST
- \_\_\_ letter shape
  - \_\_\_ letter size
  - \_\_\_ letter slope
  - \_\_\_ letter spacing

Circle some of your best capitals.

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# GETTY-DUBAY CURSIVE ITALIC - RULES OF CAPITALIZATION & ABBREVIATIONS

Trace & copy.

1. First word in a sentence.

Always capitalize the first word in a sentence. A

2. Names of people, places, and the pronoun I.

Ann · Brian · Copenhagen, Denmark · I

3. Names of peoples & languages.

African American · Asian · French  
Hispanic/Latino · Native American  
or Latina

Write names of other peoples.

4. Nouns and often adjectives referring to the Deity.

God · Jehovah · the Almighty

5. Names of sacred books.

Bible · Koran · Talmud · Vedas

6. Official titles—academic, business, government, nobility, & religious.

Mr. · Mrs. · Ms. · President... Queen...  
(used with name)

Write other titles.

7. Names of days of the week, months of the year, holidays, and holy days.

Monday · January · New Year's Day  
Labor Day · Yom Kippur · Easter

Write other names.

8. Names of councils, expositions, and organizations.

Olympic Games · United Nations



9. Geographical terms that form part of a name. Pacific Ocean · Main Street · Red Sea  
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10. Names of definite geographical divisions. the Orient · Middle East · Northwest  
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11. Names of genera in botany and zoology—and all groups above genera. Quercus oak - Genus · Rodentia rat, squirrel - Order  
 5  
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12. Names of planets, constellations, stars, and asteroids. Sirius star · Taurus constellation · Uranus planet · Venus planet · Virgo constellation  
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13. Words in titles of books, poems, essays, or periodicals (except internal prepositions, conjunctions & articles). The Wind in the Willows Underline titles of books or write book titles in all capitals.  
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 10 THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS (SMALL CAPITALS)  
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14. First word of a salutation and complimentary close of a letter. Dear Xina, · Sincerely, · Your Friend,  
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15. Words of a family relationship preceding name of a person. Uncle Zeke · Grandma Yvonne  
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ABBREVIATIONS

LATIN e.g. - for example (exempli gratia)  
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LATIN etc. - and so forth (et cetera)  
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LATIN i.e. - that is (id est)  
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LATIN P.S. - to write after (postscriptus)  
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FRENCH RSVP - please reply (repondez sil vous plaît)  
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Answers to rebuses and riddle found on page 43.

REBUSES: all in one, you are too wise for me, square meal, he is underpaid. RIDDLE: Fannie Dooley likes words with double letters.

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*This is a sample of basic italic.*  
*This is a sample of cursive italic.*

## Book F

**This is the sixth workbook of a seven-part series. Reviews basic italic, numerals, and the cursive italic program. Writing practice includes word origins, word groups, figures of speech, and word entertainment. Explores history of the alphabet. Illustrated.**

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