



# Stages of Developing Writing

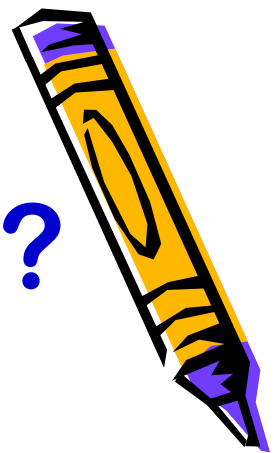
# Purpose of writing

- See you modelling writing e.g. Cards, lists etc.
- Being exposed to why writing is used e.g. posters, brochures, magazines etc.
- Shopping lists
- Checking items off on a list
- Labelling – items, using name
- Letters to friends, family
- Recount of a day out, story
- Cards/postcards for different occasions



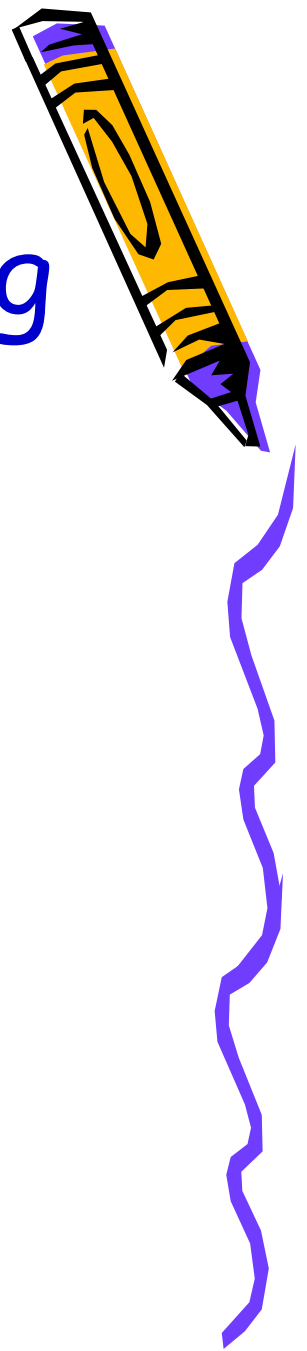
# What is Emergent Writing?

- Emergent writing “means that children begin to understand that writing is a form of communication and their marks on paper convey a message” (Mayer, 2007, p. 35).
- Emergent writing progresses through the stages a young child moves through beginning with random marks and ending with conventional spelling.



# Before Emergent Writing

- Gross-motor writing development
  - *Circles - paintbrushes, water*
  - *Shapes and patterns in the air*
- Fine-motor writing development
  - *Using pegs, tweezers, lego etc.*
- Pre-handwriting patterns
  - *Muscle memory development*



# Gross motor activities



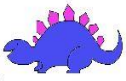
# Fine motor activities







# Pre handwriting patterns




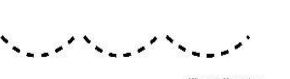
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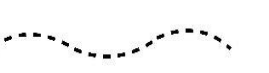
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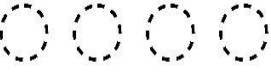
 



 


 


 


 




# Letter families



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a  **Caterpillar** s  
c **Letters** f

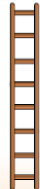
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r n m  
h  **One-Armed** k  
**Robot**  
b **Letters** p

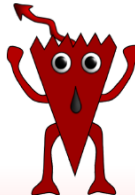
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i u t j  
l  **Ladder** y  
**Letters**

l i t u j y

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X  **Zigzag** W  
**Monster**  
v **Letters** z

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# Correct grip



## Pencil Grip

Remember...

Make an OK sign with your fingers.

Place the pencil between your thumb and pointer finger.

Tuck your other three fingers in towards your palm.

Rest your pencil on the end of your middle finger.

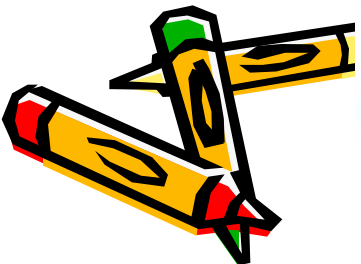
Make sure that the end of your pencil is pointing backwards and is "resting on it pillow."



Left HAND



Right HAND



# Pre-writing skills

- Children's writing shows print concepts
  - starting on the left hand side
  - writing from left to right
  - showing an awareness of spacing and punctuation
  - experimenting with phonics sounds



# Progression of Writing Development

- Children's drawings represents writing



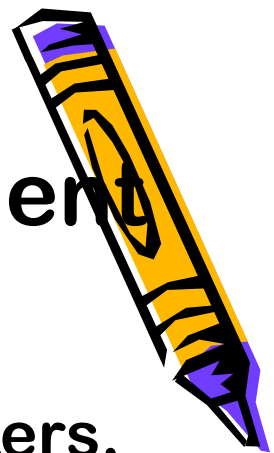
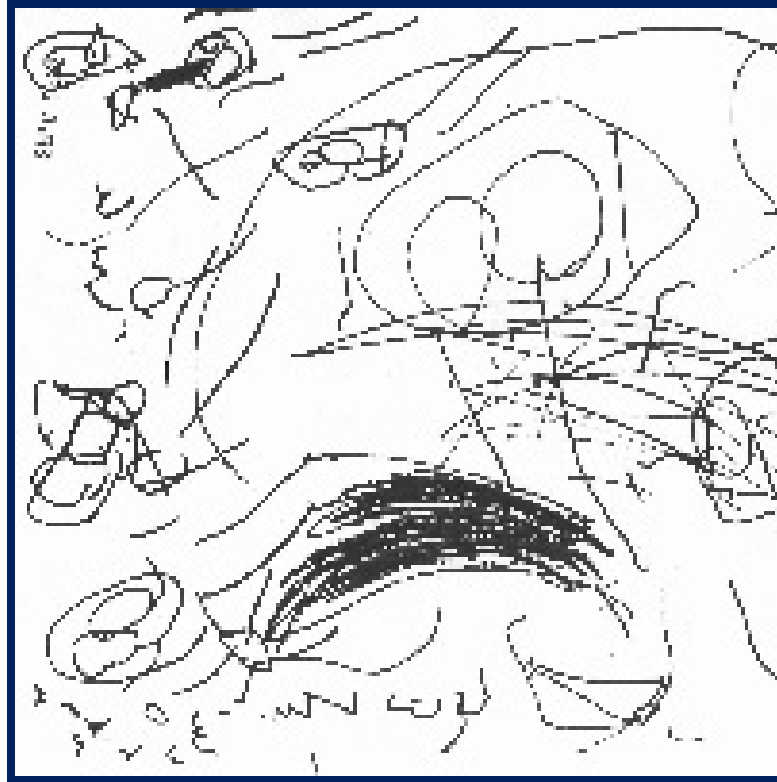
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- Children scribble but intend for it to be writing



# Progression of Writing Development

- Children's letters may not be the standard letters, but may look like letters



# Progression of Writing Development

- Children try different ways of representing sounds in words by





# Progression of Writing Development



Thehcanr

The horse can run



# Progression of Writing Development



We wn to the s

We went to the supermarket.



# Progression of Writing Development



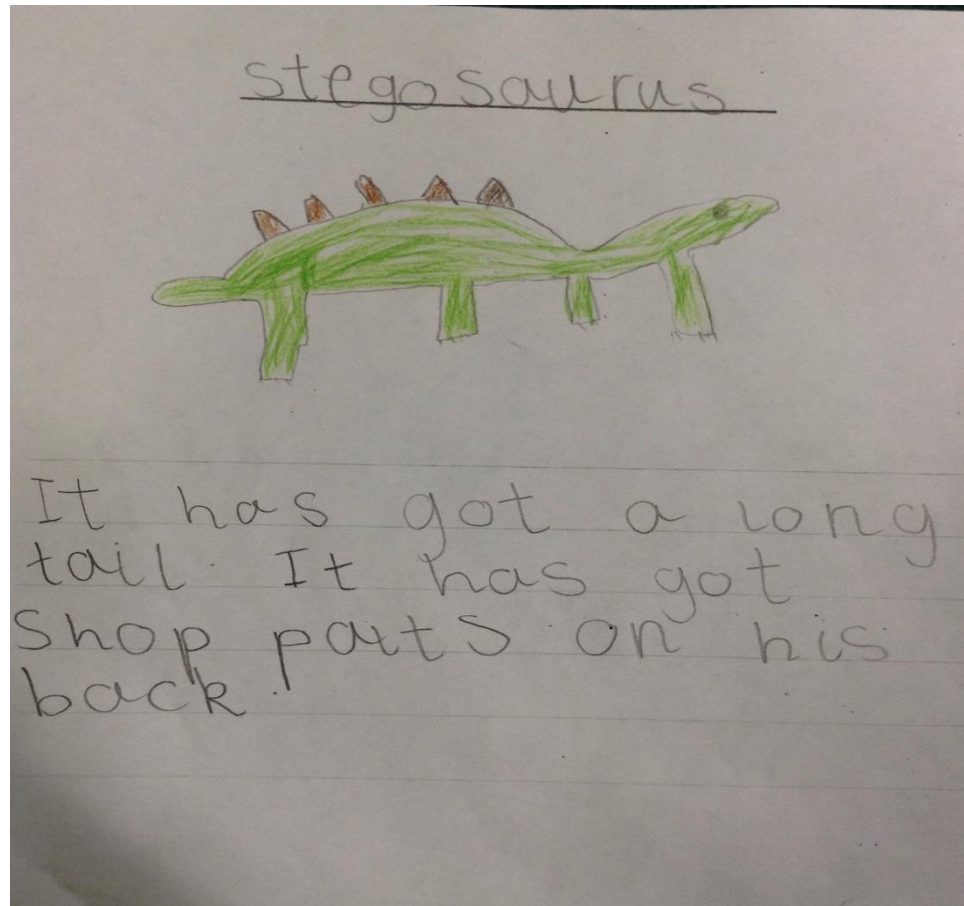
# Progression of Writing Development



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A Manda\*



# Progression of Writing Development



# Writing Tips

- Accept all levels of children's writing
- Ask children to read their writing to you
- Ask children to tell you about their drawing
- Accept children's writing errors as opportunities

