b and d reversals

Name _____

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Your child writes d when they mean b, or the other way round. This is one of the most common things young writers do, and it usually goes away with the right kind of practice: practice that starts with how each letter is made.

How to use this pack

1. **Days 1–3: b on its own: Only b. Watch the strokes, trace, and say “bat first, then the ball” every time.**
2. **Days 4–6: d on its own: Only d. It starts like c: practise the magic c letters first, then d.**
3. **Days 7–9: side by side: Now both letters together. Trace them in turns and say where each one starts.**
4. **Days 10–12: tell them apart: Find b and d among look-alike letters, and choose b or d by the sound.**
5. **Days 13–14: in words: Use b and d in real words, then a sentence.**

In this pack

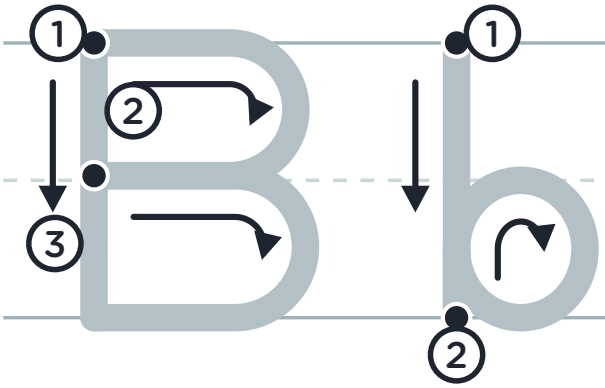
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Print the whole pack or only the pages you need. Every sheet is also on letterschool.com with tips and other handwriting styles.

Letter Bb

Name _____

Zaner-Bloser style · Pre-K – Kindergarten



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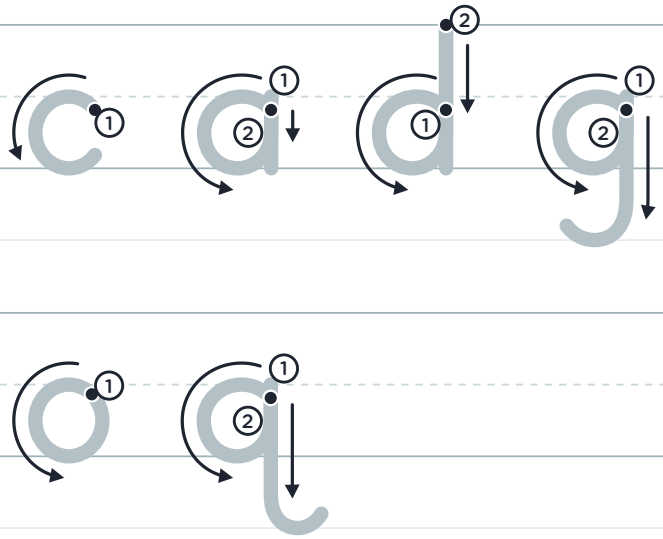
ball ball ball ball ball ball

Magic c letters

Name _____

Handwriting · Letter families · Zaner-Bloser style

1 **All of these start like a c: at the top, going back to the left. Learn c well and five more letters get easier.**



2 **Trace each letter. Start every letter at the same place as in the examples.**

c c c a a a d d d

g g g o o o q q q

3 **Trace these words. They use letters from this family.**

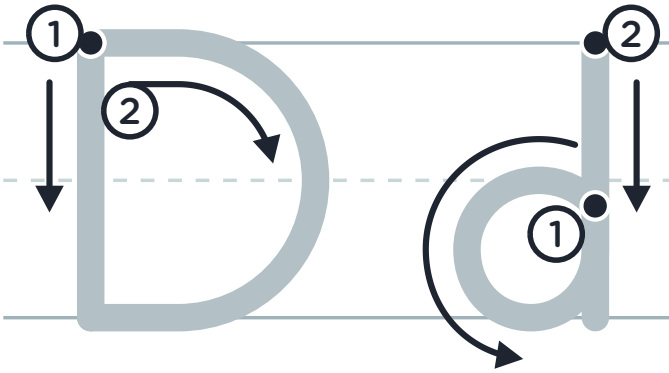
dog dad go

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Letter Dd

Name _____

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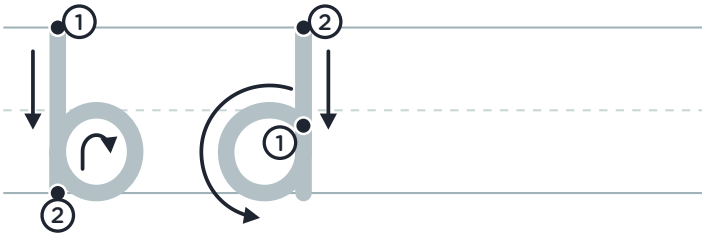
dog dog dog dog dog

b and d: how they start

Name _____

Handwriting · Letter reversals · Zaner-Bloser style

1 Watch how b and d start. They begin in different places.



Say it while you write

- b starts at the top line: down first, then back up and around. Bat first, then the ball.
- d starts like a c in the middle: around first, then up to the top line and down. The c comes first.

2 Trace b and d in turns. Say the letter name each time.

b d b d b d b d b d

b d b d b d b d b d

3 Trace the words. Find the b or the d in each word first.

bed bad bud

band bend bird

bold dab dig

4 Write b and d on your own. Say where each one starts.

Find the b and the d

Name _____

Handwriting · Letter reversals

1 **Circle every b. Draw a box around every d. Go row by row, from left to right.**

b = b d = d

d	d	a	q	q	q	p	q
p	b	o	d	d	a	d	p
o	b	h	b	p	b	h	a
a	h	b	o	q	o	p	q
d	o	b	d	a	d	d	p
q	h	b	h	p	b	o	b
o	p	a	h	d	b	o	d
h	q	b	q	h	a	a	h

b or d?

Name _____

Phonics · Beginning sounds · Reversals

1 **Say the name of the picture. Is the first sound b or d? Write it in the box.**

Use these b d



☐at



☐og



☐us



☐uck



☐all



☐oll



☐ee



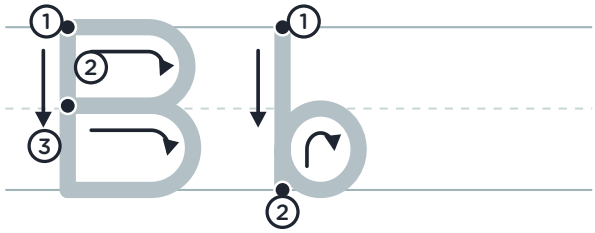
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Beginning sound Bb

Name _____

Phonics · Pre-K – Kindergarten

1 Trace the letter Bb. Start at the black dot.



B B B B

b b b b b

2 Say the name of each picture. Circle the pictures that start with the /b/ sound.



















3 Trace the words.

ball

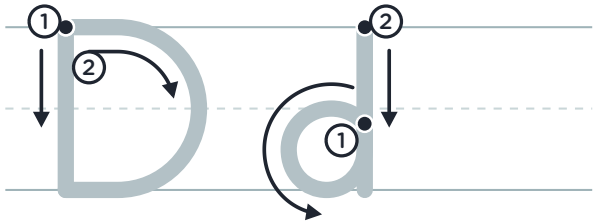
bat

Beginning sound Dd

Name _____

Phonics · Pre-K – Kindergarten

1 Trace the letter Dd. Start at the black dot.



D D D D

d d d d d

2 Say the name of each picture. Circle the pictures that start with the /d/ sound.



















3 Trace the words.

dog

duck