### #1 Letter Formation

Build letters step-by-step.

Start in the right place.



Move in the proper direction.

### #2 Downstrokes

#### Slant evenly:

"Chop" the baseline.

Check paper holding, arm and pencil position.

### #3 Size

Start letters correctly for good size.

Study the tall and small letters.

Check your position.

# #4 Spacing

Keep letters close inside of words.

Use your thumb to space between words.

## #5 Smooth Rhythm

Study the "beats" for each letter.

Hold the pencil softly.

Avoid pressure.

Relax when you write!

### #6 Line Control

#### Use lines for control.



Stop on the baseline!