



Adventures in handwriting

■ practice book ■

Victorian Modern Cursive



Pattern Matching

Copy the patterns from the grid onto the corresponding numbered area of the picture.



1	Horizontal lines	2	Grid of circles
3	Grid of dots	4	Grid of X's
5	Wavy lines	6	Diagonal lines



Australian English

Australia is a multicultural country. Although we speak English, many of our words come from other languages and cultures.



Diagonal Joins to Neckline Entries: Trace and copy these joins and words from other cultures. Remember, extend the exit to the start of the next letter. Don't lift your pencil.

a i → a i → ai

ai au ci cy di dy ep ew

hi ip ky li mi nu ti uv

curry skiing salmon croissant

Fine Motor Skills: Copy the indigenous names of these animals inside their matching shapes. The first one is done for you.

Spacing to Fit: Trace and complete this letter to Sam using the 'Aussie' words below. Focus on fitting the words neatly into the spaces provided.

space

correct spacing

space

incorrect spacing

Aussie G'day barbie goanna
snags scrub barramundi



Sam,
My weekend camping out in
the _____ was great! We caught
_____ in the river and
cooked them with some _____ on
the _____. We saw a huge
_____ climbing a tree too.
Your _____ mate,

Don't forget to sign your name.



Trace and copy these words from other cultures.

horizon safari jumbo penguin

Diagonal Joins to e and o: Trace and copy these joins and words from other cultures. Remember, extend the exit to the start of e, or to the top of o, then retrace.

ne no

ae ce de ao co do ho io lo no

scone kindergarten cruise tortilla

Copy each word beside its language of origin. Use the clues to help you.

canary kangaroo umbrella

Clue	Language of origin	Word
Protects you from rain	Italian	
Small yellow bird	Spanish	
A marsupial	Aboriginal	

Fine Motor Skills: Finish drawing hair on the orangutan, then colour.



Posture, Paper Position and Pencil Grip:

Before you begin writing, refer to page 69, then complete this checklist:

- My feet are flat on the floor.
 I'm sitting up straight.
 My page is slightly rotated and directly in front of me.
 I'm holding my pencil correctly.



Copy. Some words in this passage originate from other languages. Circle at least 3.

We sat on the verandah of the
 bungalow, eating samosas and
 sipping coffee while playing
 canasta. It was a warm evening
 so we were wearing our light,
 cotton pyjamas and had bare feet.

Reflection

Draw a star beside your best line of handwriting on this page.