



Little Signature Artist

Learn to write your own name while playing a variety of small games.

Helps Your Child Grow



Writing

Adding their name to art, cards, and labels gives your child authentic, repeated reasons to practice writing it.

Steps

- Around age five, children begin learning to write their own names. A name is useful in daily life and can make writing feel personally meaningful.
- Sign artwork: Offer a short, thick triangular pencil or crayon. After a drawing or craft is finished, invite your child to write their name on it as their own mark.
- Sign cards for family: On a birthday, holiday, or thank-you card, leave space for your child's name. If useful, show the letter sequence on a separate model for them to follow.
- Label personal belongings: Draw writing boxes on labels, let your child write their name, and attach the labels to a cup, book bag, or toy bin.
- Sign in during pretend play: Let your child write their name on a role card, ticket, or guest list and enjoy being the person in charge of the game.

Tips

- Keep a small name card on the table. If your child forgets how to write a letter, invite them to look at the card and copy it instead of writing the name for them.
- Early letters do not need to be perfect. Encourage a recognizable attempt so your child can build confidence and stay interested in writing.

Observations

- ☐ Writes their name on their work
- ☐ Tries to keep their writing inside the boxes