PRINTABLE WORKBOOK · G J P Q Y · AGES 4–7

Letters with Tails

Tracing practice for the five letters that hang below the line

The three zones

lag py

Every letter **sits on the green line**. Most small letters stay between the green line and the dashed line. The five **tail letters**, **g j p q y**, drop their tails into the space below the green line.

How to use

- Read the stroke steps for one letter and trace the big letter with a finger.
- Trace the dotted letters and words with a pencil.
- Write one on your own, then the sentences on pages 4–5.

Tip for parents

If your child writes a ‘g’ sitting on the line, point to the tail zone and say: “the tail goes down!” Short, happy practice every day works best. Begin with Bismillah.

Warm up: trace the tails

gjpqy gjpqy gjpqy gjpqy

Now the other way round

yqpjg yqpjg yqpjg yqpjg

g

The letter g

Start at the dashed line. Go round like a ‘c’ and close the circle, then pull the tail down below the green line and hook it to the left.

TRACE

g g g g g g g g g g g

TRACE THE WORDS

go egg figs grapes

YOUR TURN

g

j

The letter j

Start at the dashed line. Pull straight down, past the green line, and hook to the left. Add the dot last.

TRACE

j j j j j j j j j j j j j

TRACE THE WORDS

jam jug juice jump

YOUR TURN

j

p

The letter p

Start at the dashed line. Pull a straight line down past the green line, go back up, and make a round bump on the right.

TRACE

p p p p p p p p p p p p

TRACE THE WORDS

cup pear pray plum

YOUR TURN

p

q

The letter q

Make a ‘c’ and close the circle, then pull a straight line down below the green line.

TRACE

q q q q q q q q q q

TRACE THE WORDS

quiet quick queen quilt

YOUR TURN

q

y

The letter y

Make a short slant down to the green line, then a long slant from the other side, right down into the tail space.

TRACE

y y y y y y y y y y y

TRACE THE WORDS

yes yogurt day happy

YOUR TURN

y

Mix them up

g j p q y g j p q y g j p q y

Tail sentences

Find every g, j, p, q and y and make its tail go all the way down.

01 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Grapes grow on a twisty vine.

02 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Pour the juice into the jug.

03 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

A yellow pear and a purple plum.

04 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Pack a pita in my bag.

05 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Quietly we pray in a line.

06 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Say Bismillah, then enjoy!

Tail sentences

Find every g, j, p, q and y and make its tail go all the way down.

07 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Jump up high and play all day.

08 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Give a gift and say goodbye.

09 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Put the grapes in a paper cup.

10 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Enjoy your yummy yogurt.

11 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

Jazak Allahu khayran, Grandpa!

12 · TRACE, THEN WRITE IT BELOW

We pray Fajr as the sky gets light.