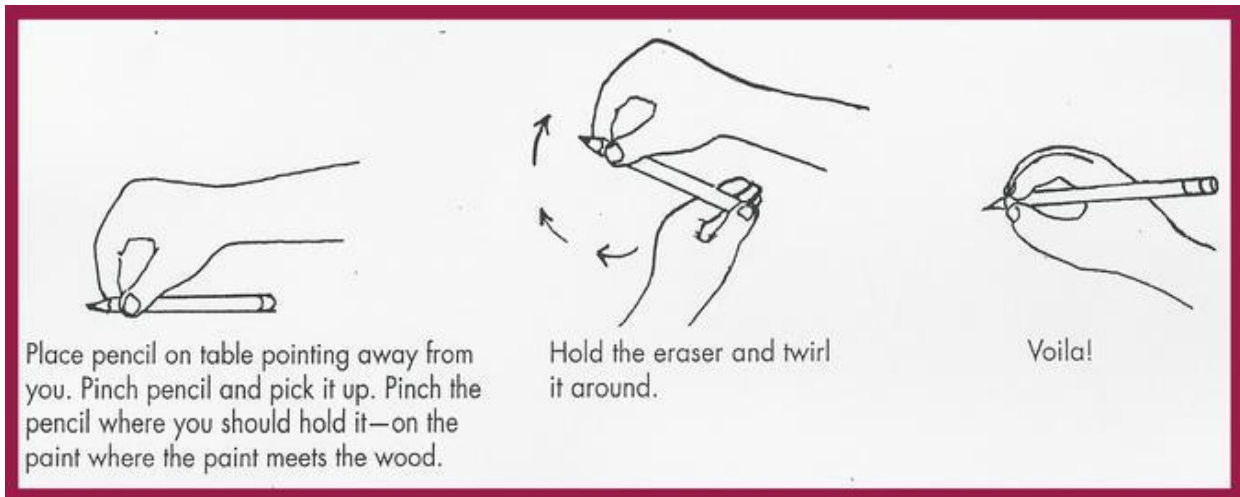


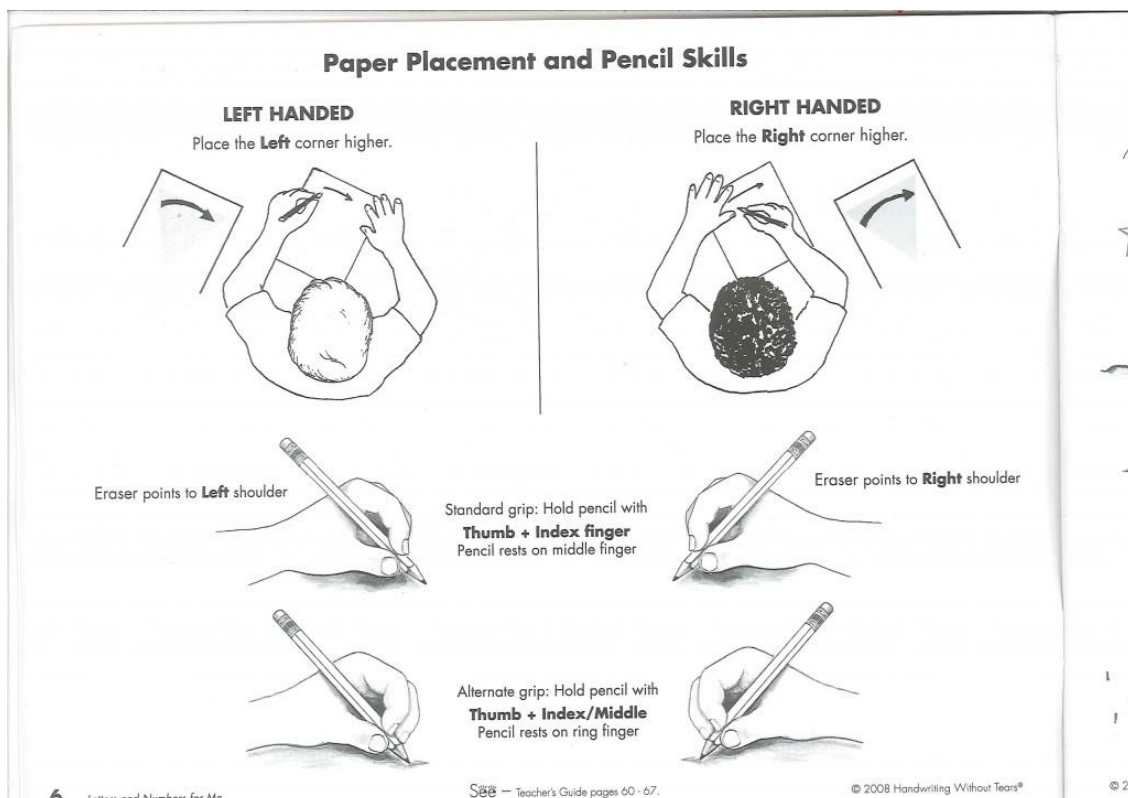
Pencil Grip and Letter formation

We say make a 'snapper' (with your thumb and index finger) and pick up your pencil near the point and rest the pencil on the next finger (middle finger) the last two fingers are for your hand to rest on!

This is a good way to remember too...



Seating and body position is also important once your child is writing frequently, although it isn't essential when your child is experimenting with mark-making and writing occasionally. Please don't put your child off writing before they are ready as this will act as a barrier to their learning rather than supporting it!



Pre-cursive lower case letter formation

Starting positions are marked with a dot. We often refer to the joining tail on some letters as a 'flick' which will later be joined to the next letter when we are using cursive handwriting. Please note we will be introducing cursive writing later in the year to those who are ready, but will not be teaching formal handwriting in the Foundation Stage.

