

Handwriting Adventure with Pip

Learning objective: To practice consistent cursive handwriting, ensuring correct letter formation, spacing, and joining.

Read the story about Pip the caterpillar. Then, rewrite the chosen sentences in your neatest cursive handwriting in the spaces provided, paying close attention to how your letters join together.

Pip is a cheerful bookworm caterpillar who loves collecting beautiful words. Today, Pip found a dusty old diary hidden beneath a giant fern. As Pip read the pages, he noticed that the handwriting was flowing and elegant. The letters danced across the paper, joining together like a little train. Pip decided that he wanted his own writing to be just as clear and graceful. He spent the whole afternoon practising his loops and swirls, making sure every letter sat perfectly on the line.

Word bank: cursive · consistent · ascenders · descenders · fluent

1. Copy this sentence in your neatest cursive: 'Pip is a cheerful bookworm caterpillar who loves collecting beautiful words.' (2 marks)

2. Copy this sentence, focusing on the joins: 'The letters danced across the paper, joining together like a little train.' (2 marks)

3. Copy this sentence, ensuring all letters sit on the line: 'He spent the whole afternoon practising his loops and swirls.' (2 marks)

4. Looking at the passage, which word describes how the handwriting looked? Write the word in cursive. (1 mark)

5. Why do you think it is important for handwriting to be clear and consistent? Write your answer in your best cursive. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip the caterpillar with his favourite book and a pencil, practicing his elegant swirls!



Extension challenge: Can you write a short sentence of your own about a book you love, using your most fluent cursive handwriting?