

Zara's Patterned Penmanship Practice

Learning objective: To develop fine motor control and letter formation by tracing patterns and practising the correct formation of letters.

Zara the zebra loves patterns! Look at the patterns below. Trace over the lines carefully to help Zara finish her artwork. Once you have finished the patterns, use your best handwriting to trace the letters that match the shapes. Remember to start at the top and follow the arrows.

Word bank: c · o · a · d · g · q

1. Trace the 'c' shape: Can you draw three more 'c's on the line by yourself? (2 marks)

2. Trace the 'o' shape: Which letter looks like a full circle? (2 marks)

3. Trace the 'a' shape: Start at the top, go round, up, and down. (2 marks)

4. Trace the 'd' shape: Can you write a 'd' and then a 'c' next to it? (2 marks)

5. Trace the 'g' shape: This letter has a tail that goes under the line. Try drawing it here. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Zara the zebra holding a colourful pencil. What pattern would you like to draw on her stripes?



Extension challenge: Find three objects in your classroom that have a circular shape like the letter 'o'. Can you draw them and label them with the sound they start with?