

Beginning Writers Part 1: Lessons 1- 3, Parent Guide, and Topics

Language Arts has three foundational skills -- speech, reading and handwriting. It also has many secondary skills, most important of which is writing, with the editing skills of spelling and grammar.

Early writers practice and develop many of these skills. If you have younger children who haven't mastered handwriting, this week's supplement should be saved until they are ready. For handwriting many parents prefer either [Getty Dubay](#) or [Handwriting without Tears](#). Contact me at drphonics@rocketphonics.com for fun ideas in teaching handwriting.

This supplement will link you to the first three of 12 writing lessons. In addition to these 12, this first writing topic includes an introduction to the writing assignments, as well as ideas for over 100 more topics.

Each lesson gives your children a writing topic and several sentence starters. Depending on your children's skill and experience, you can use this writing lesson in several ways. For example, you might choose to have your children:

- write the fill-in words on the lesson page
- write the fill-in words on lined paper you provide
- write more of each sentence (you could leave out more words).
- write the entire sentence

Of course, your children can write more than the sentences given, using them simply as idea starters.

As your children write they will practice and develop many skills: handwriting; reading; spelling and vocabulary; skills of observation; and writing mechanics such as sentence wording, punctuation, capitalization, and organizing ideas.

Click [here](#) to download the first early writer lesson, "We're Glad to Meet You!"

Click [here](#) to download the second early writer lesson, "Tell us about Your Family."

Click [here](#) to download the third early writer lesson, "More About What You Like."