## Letter formation: Capital letters

Use this document to ensure correct letter formation when you are teaching children to form capital letters.

| Letter | Capital letter formation phrase   |
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| А      | From the top, diagonally down to the left, up to the top, diagonally down to the right. Lift up and across.                   |
| В      | From the top, down, back to the top. Round to the middle, round to the bottom.  |
| С      | From the top, curl around to the left to sit on the line.   |
| D      | From the top, down, back to the top. Curve right, down to the bottom.   |
| Е      | From the top, down, back to the top. Across, back. Lift up and across the middle. Lift up and across the bottom line.         |
| F      | From the top, down, back to the top. Across, back. Lift up and across the middle.   |
| G      | From the top, curl around to the line, carry on up, then straight down. Lift up and across.                                   |
| Н      | From the top and down. Space. From the top and down. Lift up and join the lines across the middle.                            |
| I      | From the top to the bottom and stop.  |
| J      | From the top, all the way down, then short curl to the left.  |
| K      | From the top, down, up to the middle. Diagonally up, back and diagonally down to the line.                                    |
| L      | From the top, down and across the line.   |
| М      | From the top, down, back to the top. Diagonally down, diagonally up. Straight down to the line.                               |
| N      | From the top, down, back to the top. Diagonally down, then straight up to the top.  |
| 0      | From the top — all around the o.  |
| Р      | From the top, down then back up. Curve right to halfway down.   |
| Q      | From the top — all around the o. Lift off. Short line diagonally down.  |
| R      | From the top, down, then back up. Curve right to halfway down. Diagonally down to the line.                                   |
| S      | From the top, under the snake's chin, slide down and round its tail.  |
| Т      | From the top, down and stop. Lift up and from the left, make a line across the top.   |
| u      | From the top, down and curve right, then straight up to the top.  |
| V      | From the top diagonally right to the bottom, then diagonally up to the top.   |
| W      | From the top diagonally right to the bottom, diagonally up to the top, diagonally down to the line, then diagonally up again. |
| Х      | From the top, diagonally right to the bottom. Space. Start at the top, then diagonally left to the bottom.                    |
| Y      | From the top diagonally right to the middle. Space. From the top diagonally left to the middle. Straight down to the bottom.  |
| Z      | From the top go across, diagonally down to the left and across the bottom.  |

