

JOIN 8: *aa ac ad ag aq as* DIAGONAL TO HORIZONTAL

Join with a diagonal line blending into the horizontal beginning strokes of *a, c, d, g, q, and s*.

aa ad *aa ad ca ea ed da dd ha ia id ka*

Trace and copy.

aa

la ld ma na nd ua ud za Shalonda

la

ag aq *ag aq eg eq ig iq ng ug uq Quang*

ag aq

ac

ac cc ec ic uc Vic Alice Michael

ac

as

as cs ds es hs is ks ls ms ns us zs

as

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sa sc ss ba pa ps Lissa Barbara



LOOK at your writing.

sa



Are your *a, c, d, g, q, and s* flat on top?

aa

(AVOID *aa* or *as*)

All joins are used here.



PLAN how to make the joins look more like the models.

CHECKLIST

— shape
— size
— slope
— spacing



PRACTICE the joins which need more work.

Our word "pen" is from the Latin word for feather—"penna".

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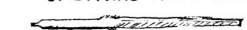
• PENS •



The first pens were cut from reeds.



Later, flight feathers of geese or swans were used.



Quills were the primary pen used for writing on parchment and paper until the 19th century.