

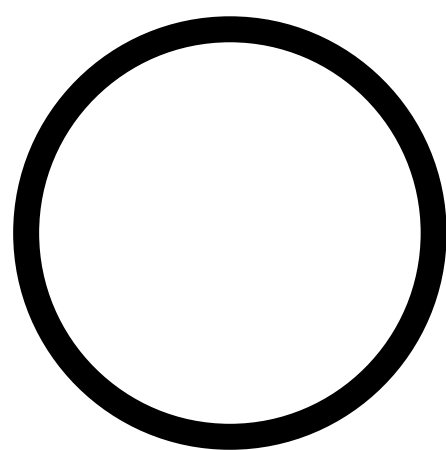
PREWRITING SKILLS



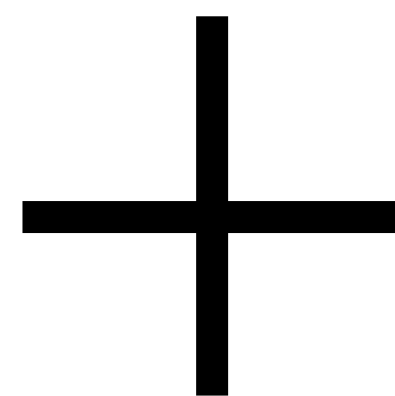
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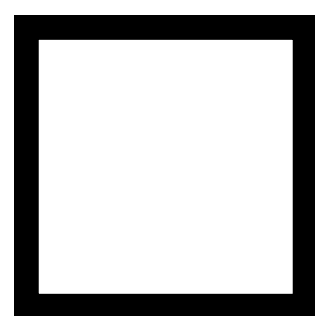
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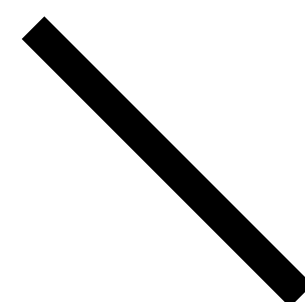
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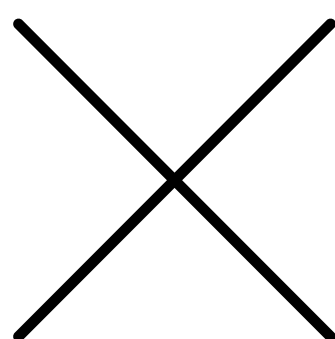
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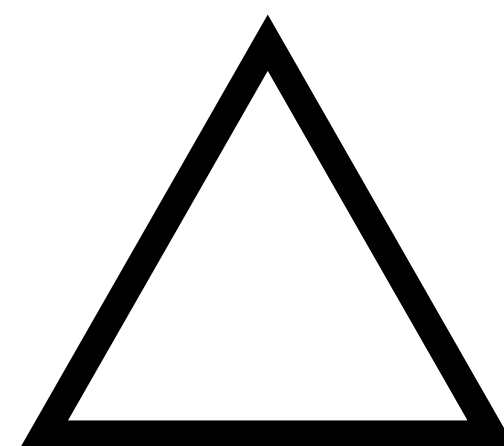
SQUARE
AGE 4



DIAGONAL LINE
AGE 4:6



X
AGE 4:11



TRIANGLE
AGE 5:3

WHAT IS NEEDED TO DEVELOP WRITING READINESS?

Fine Motor Strength: The ability to use appropriate muscle power for controlled movement of utensil

Midline Crossing: The ability to cross the imaginary line that divides the body into left & right sides

Hand Eye Coordination: The ability to process information with the eyes and translate it into movement of the hands

Bilateral Coordination: The ability to use two hands together, such as using one hand to write and the other to stabilize the paper

Postural Control: The ability to maintain an appropriate position to allow for movement at the distal regions (eg: hands & wrist)

Object Manipulation: The ability to skillfully and precisely manipulate tools such as a pencil, crayon, etc.

Visual Perceptual Skills: The ability to process and interpret visual images, such as with letters and numbers

Finger Isolation: The ability to use just select fingers for object manipulation