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Super Easy
Guide to
Calligraphy

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The Basics

ONE

Learning how to do calligraphy or lettering isn't hard really, it just takes practice to get used to writing in cursive. Then focusing on the amount of pressured applied to the pen.

Watch **Instagram videos!** Watching videos under "#lettering" or "#calligraphy" really helped me learn tips on how to move my hand and I picked up my style from elements of other artists.

TWO

THREE

Start with a pencil! It's great if you already have proper lettering tools. But, from experience, I recommend starting with pencil so your control around a pen gets better with preserving as much as the brush pen's life as possible.

Find a song or phrases you could write forever! This just made practicing for me (whether it was on homework...or math tests) easier and more fun. For example, in my bullet journal when I get bored you can find pages of lyrics from my favorite songs written out.

FOUR

Practice Page

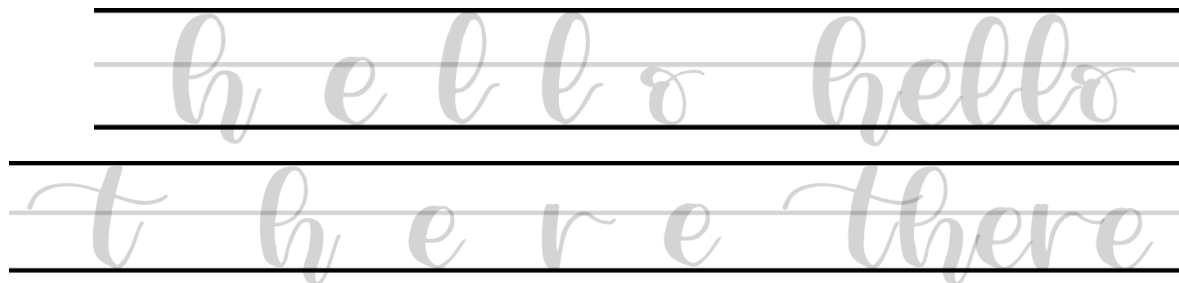
CURSIVE PRACTICE

MOST OF THE LETTERS ARE DONE IN ONE STROKE
ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE "K", "T", AND "X"



BRUSH LETTER PRACTICE

(CURSIVE EXCEPT DOWNSTROKES ARE THICKER THAN UPSTROKES)



Achieve a thicker **downstroke** by pressing down on pen or pencil enough to get bold strokes. For **upstrokes**, it's easier if you apply as little pressure as possible. Just enough that you are still making a line.

The goal is for the upstrokes and downstrokes to have a big contrast in size. **Good luck!**

