

Okay. We're doing lesson 21 right now. It's capital 'I' and capital 'J.' So, this is the paper you're going to need. Grab a pencil and get ready because we're going to start right now.

Okay. Here's printed capital 'I.' And here is cursive capital 'I.' It definitely looks a lot different. But we can see that we made something similar to a straight line. A straight line in cursive can sometimes be a loop, because we've got to get up to the top and then get back down. But the interesting thing about it, is that it actually starts over here. And we actually loop the opposite direction that we do for lowercase 'l.' Then you come up and you make what is similar to a check-stroke up at the top. Then you lift your pen, and you go into the next lower-case letter. And of course, it is going to tilt slightly to the right like that. So, we're going to get the hang of it. Let's try now.

Alright, we are doing letter 'I' here. So, we are going to go ahead and put our strokes on here. Now for this one, some of these strokes are um..., just different than ones... they're not the normal ones. So, this one is. This is the over-curve. But when you come down, this isn't a slant line because it's not straight, it curves in. So, I'm just going to keep it in pink. It's really kind of a backwards, under-curve because this looks like an under-curve, but you're going down. So, we're going down and then up and then we stop. And then that is like a check stroke. We're just coming in. So, it looks kind of backwards probably from how you thought it was made. It looks like we should be making it this way. Okay, so we are going to get started in writing, so get your paper ready.

Okay, so we are starting on this little dot at the bottom that's reminding you where we're starting. So, we're going up, loop, come up again, and then your little; I'm going to call it a check-stroke. Because that's what it feels like when you're making it. That's what it looks like, it's just lower. Okay? Curve up and check-stroke. So, it's kind of like an 'L.' You're just making it backwards. Baseline, up, loop, come up and check-stroke. That one got a little funny. Now we're going to do one on our own. Loop, up, and release. Okay. Now we're making the lower-case 'i' too. And it looks like it's connected, but it's not because this is where we release. Up, and release. And then you're making your 'i' and dot. Okay. Loop, release, and lowercase 'i,' and then dot. Now we're going to write the word 'Is.' Loop, release, and then s..., and release. Okay, here we go. Loop, and then our 's.' Alright. Now we're going to write the word 'Island.' It looks like Is land, but you don't hear the 's.' The 's' is silent. Okay. Loop for the 'i,' release, s... l... Okay, two humps for the 'n', and 'd'. Okay? Now we're going to do it on our own. s... l... a... n... d... And we can fit it on here again. Loop and release. Ewww, that got a little close to the loop. But that's okay. Alright. Pause if you need to and then you try. And then you can watch me again. Now, this one was really long, and I didn't think I could fit it here, so I put it down here. So, we're going to write this one down below before we go to that one. Alright, this is 'Important.' Okay? Long word. So, shake your

hand out if it's already tired. And we're going to write. So here we go. Loop and three humps for the 'm', go up, down, loop back, around, n... o... I feel like I need to hold my paper. t... a... Oh that's long. And then you've got two t's to cross. Now we're going to do it down here, okay? So, we're curving and release into the m... p..., keep that 'o' at the top to connect to the r... a..., two humps for the 'n.' And then you got two t's to cross. Alright! Now we're going to write 'If.' So, loop, release, and then you're going into 'f,' come down below the line, forward and release. We're going to do it down here. And there we go! Alright! I'm looking for a good capital 'I' that I made. I think this one looks good. Okay. And we're going to move on to 'J.'

Okay. Here's capital printed 'J.' And we know that that sits on the baseline and then goes up to the top line. It doesn't hang down below. Here's capital cursive 'J.' It does hang down below. We can't really put a top on it in cursive. So, it goes up and has this big loop, umm, fatter than a lower-case 'l.' And then it comes down below the line and then loops left and then releases. So, then it could connect on to the next lower-case letter. Of course, it's going to tilt slightly to the right, just like that. So, we're going to try and make this. You're going to be making two loops a little bit differently but, they're both familiar movements. We're just combining them. So, let's try.

Okay. So, with 'J' we're doing the exact same beginning as we do with 'I.' We are looping up in our over-curve. But then we are slanting down here, because we're coming down below the line. And then we're making that backwards loop. We're going to the left and then we're releasing with the over-curve. Mine looks a little bit like an under-curve but that's okay. Alright, so we're going to get started with 'J.'

Okay, so we are curving up, slanting down, loop left and release. Curve up, slant down, loop and release. So, keep in mind this is a slant. We're not curving in; this isn't going to look like a circle. We're coming straight just at a slant. Okay. Curve, come down, loop and release. Okay! Try another one here on our own. And then we are going to connect it to lowercase 'j,' and it does connect because it ends at the bottom. There's our loop, come up, down, loop and then dot. Okay. So, big loop, little loop, and then it looks like an 'i,' and then we add our loop. There we go. We're going to try it one more time. Loop, trace down, loop and then dot. And there we go! All right! Now we're going to write some words.

'January.' That's the first month of the year. You go on winter break and it's December and when you come back it's January. Capital 'J' and then go right into that a... n... u... a... r... and 'y.' Okay? And then we are going to do it on our own. Capital J... a... n... u... a... r... y... Okay. Now we are going to do another month. Now this is in 'June.' It's a summer month. So, you probably get out of school in June, or right before June. Okay, we're going to do it on our own. J... u... n... e... 'July' is the month after June, and that's when my birthday is. During the

summer. J... u... l... y... Okay? Capital J... u... l... y... I feel like my pen is going to run out here. I keep having spots where it's not writing. Okay. 'Joy' is our next word. Loop, 'o,' and then you are connecting at the top. And... Yep. Running out of ink right there. [laughs] Okay, that's alright. 'Just' is our last word that we're doing here. u... s... t... and cross it. And we're going to do it on our own. J... u... s... t... Alright! Fabulous! Let me find a good 'J' that I made. I like this one. And then grab yourself a colored pencil or a highlighter and you can just keep practicing without worrying about holding the marker or pencil perfectly. And without worrying about getting out of the lines. And you can just keep practicing and you will get better and better. Alright. I will see you next time. Thanks for joining me!