

Alright, guys! We are ready to go with cursive lesson 22! This is capital 'D' and capital 'L.' All you need is a pencil and this handout, and we are gonna get cracking.

This is capital printed 'D.' Pretty simple. And here's capital cursive 'D.' It's definitely a lot more fancy! You're actually starting up here just like you do with the printed 'D,' but then you come down. And so that we end in the right spot, we actually loop under and then go up this way. And then we connect here, and then we just do this fancy little loop to release it. And of course, it is going to tilt slightly to the right. So, it's going to look like that when we write it. But, they're actually pretty fun to make. You got some fancy little loops going on at the top and the bottom. So, we're going to try this now.

Alright! Our cursive capital 'D' is going to start with a slant line down. Then we make this little loop back and then we go into what is kind of an under-curve, but it comes up, it loops back around to connect and then it releases. This is an under-curve here. So, we've got a couple loops in here that we got to get straight whenever we're doing this. So, let's get started.

Okay. So, we are slanting down, looping back with a little loop, coming up, around to connect, and then release. Slant down, little loop, curve up and around, and loop to release. Okay. Now we're going to do one on our own. Slant, little loop, come around, loop to release. Okay, you just got to keep the loops straight. It's a little different. Now we're making a lowercase 'd' next to it. Okay. Slant, little loop, around, connect, and loop to release. And then our 'D,' our lowercase 'd.' Okay, one more time! Get those loops right in your head. And then you can pause and do it. Loop, around. Ewww, that's a little a little bigger at the top than the bottom, but that's okay. 'D,' little 'd.' Okay!

Now we're going to write 'December.' It's kind of a longer word. Loop, curve around, release. e... c... e... three humps for the 'm,' go up to the 'b,' keep it at the top to connect it to the 'e,' and then 'r.' Okay. Slant down, little loop, up and around, loop to release, and three humps for the 'm.' Loop up for the 'b,' connect to the 'e' with the check-stroke and then your 'r.' Now we're going to write 'Dad.' Big loop there, a... d... Alright. Down, a loop, big loop release. Okay. I didn't start over far enough; d... Okay, it fit. Now we're going to write 'Dude.' Hey, dude. Okay, loop it, u... d... e... Okay, loop, u... d... e... Okay, you might want to shake your hand out now. I know that mine is getting a little tired. Okay, now we're going to write 'Do.' So, we're pulling down, looping back, curving up, around, connecting, and releasing. And then we're going to go into that 'o' and release at the top. Okay. Now we're going to do one on our own. Here we go. Loop back, come up, around, release, 'o' is going to release at the top. Seems like my D's have a lot of problems getting even. It's like the bottom is always smaller than the top, but that's okay just keep practicing. Alright now we're going to write 'Don't.' And don't is actually two words 'do not' connected together. o... n... and then t...

And then we're going to add our little apostrophe ['] and then cross it. The apostrophe ['] is saving the space of the 'o' that we took out of 'not.' Okay, now we're going to loop back, go up, and release, o... n... t... I guess when I do this in cursive, I just always connect it and then add it in. But, it wouldn't let me connect these and stick an apostrophe in there, so. If you want to just go in and connect that, you certainly can. Alright, I'm going to look for my best 'D' and I'm going to choose this one. I think it looks really good. And then we're going to move on to letter 'L' next.

Here's printed 'L,' pretty simple; you just got two straight lines. And here is capital cursive 'L.' It is way more fabulous! You are starting at the top, below the top line though. And you're just going over and making this little loop. And then doing a slant line down and then you loop back at the bottom. Just like you do with the capital cursive 'D.' And then you release with the under-curve. It's going to be slanted forward like that, so it's actually pretty fun to make it too, I think. So, we're going to try this and see how fabulous you guys can do it! Here we go.

Okay, I started doing 'L' and then I decided I needed to use a different color. So, I'm just going to go over it with you again. So, we're doing an under-curve. We're looping back and then this line coming down is a slant. And then we're looping back and then we're doing another under-curve to release. And sometimes, that might even go under the line, but it just kind of depends on how you write it. Okay. So, it's like a big under-curve to release it. Alright, so let's practice some of these.

Okay, so we're starting where we typically started for, like when we made our little hook for our 'M' and our 'N' and stuff. We're doing a little under-curve, and then a loop back, slant down. This is just like the loop at the bottom of the 'D,' and then release. So, this part is just like making a 'D.' We're just not coming back up all the way. Okay? So, loop, slant, loop, release. So, we're getting these loops here. Getting lots of loops on this one. Little loop, little loop, and release. I think we can fit another one there. I think L's are really pretty to make; capital L's. Okay, now we're going to connect it with our lower-case 'l.' Okay? So, loop, loop, and then up into the 'l.' You're getting really loopy with the lowercase 'l' too. Okay. Alright! Now if you need to pause, so that you can make these, go ahead and do that. Back it up if you need to watch it again or go back and trace over these if you need some more practice with those loops, because I know it's a little different than some of the other letters we do. Alright, we're going to write the word 'London,' and L... o... n... d..., keep it at the top for the 'o,' and release. Okay, now we're going to write it on our own. L... o... n... d... o... n..., and release. Alright. 'Long' is our next word. L... o... n... g... Okay? So, loop, loop, go right into the 'o,' keep it at the top, around for the 'g,' and loop. Now we're going to write the word 'Low.' Lots of circles and loops here. 'w' and check-stroke. L... o... w..., and there you

go! Alright, I think L's are fun to make. [laughs] I like them! Okay. Go... Oops sorry. L..., and u... My paper's moving on me. Make sure that your other hand is keeping your paper still. All right, we've got 'Lunch.' L, go up into the u... n... c..., loop it for the 'h.' Okay, we can write it one more time. L... u... n... c... h... Alright, it's looking great! I like this one here! Alright. You're going to grab yourself a highlighter or colored pencil and just go through; trace over some of these as you go. You want to really just hold it loosely, just kind of practice those movements. You don't want to tire your hand out. You just want to help your hand remember how those letters are made. Alright, great job! We are getting so close to the end of our capital cursive lessons. So be sure to join me for lesson 23 next!