

Developmental Sequence and ages for Writing Skills

2-0	Imitates (vertical line)
2-6	Imitates — (horizontal line)
2-9	Imitates ○ (circle)
2-10	Copies
3-0	Copies — (horizontal line)
3-0	Copies ○ (circle)
3-6	Imitates X
3-6	Grasp Pencil with thumb, index and middle fingers
3-9	Traces and stays on (most of time) 3-inch pencil-thick horizontal line
3-11	Begins to copy some vertical & horizontal letters
4-1	Copies + (plus)
4-5	Grasp Pencil with thumb and fingers instead of fist
4-6	Touch tip of thumb to each finger
4-6	Grasp pencil with pad of index finger and thumb as pencil rests on third joint of middle finger
4-6	Copies □ (square)
4-7	Draws line within both horizontal and vertical paths
4-10	Traces around own hand with crayon
4-10	Draws some simple, recognizable objects
5-0	Draws face with mouth, nose, and eyes
5-0	Copies first name (letters awkward/reversed)
5-9	Cuts well with scissors
5-3	Copies Δ (triangle)
5-5	Copies first name clearly enough to be read
5-7	Prints first name in uppercase or lowercase letters without model
6-1	Prints all numerals and letters without copying

This information was retrieved from the following sources:

- Beery VMI Developmental Stepping Stones
- Peabody Motor Development Chart