

# Lettering Lessons

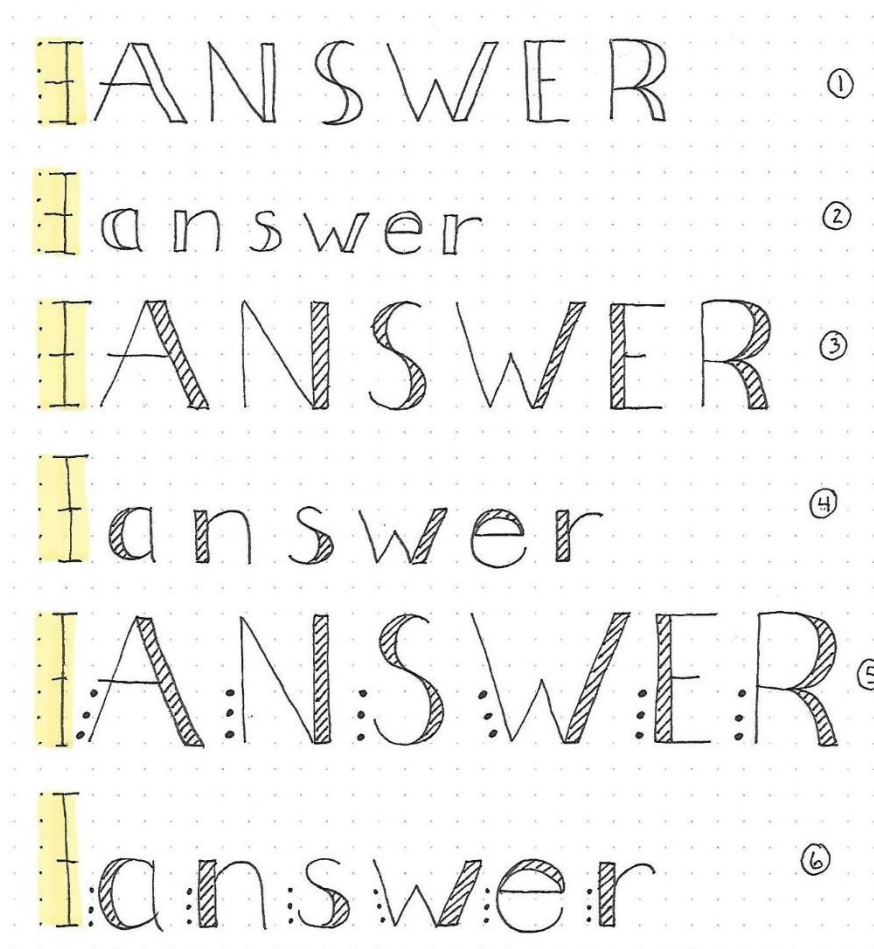
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## Activity 1: Introduction

The alphabet we are going to learn this week was designed by one of our CBJ members. Many thanks for her generous permission to have us teach this in the Lettering Lodge.

I drew this not only in a step by step manner but in graduated scale. If you follow along with writing your sample like this you will have a valuable resource to refer to as you use this font in your projects. (Note: the yellow blocks on the left are to indicate the letter heights in upper and lower case.

Lines 1 and 2 show the writing of the basic letter forms. X-height is  $\frac{1}{2}$  the height of upper case. Each letter has one stroke that is doubled. Lines 3 and 4 show filling the double lines with evenly spaced lines at a 45-degree slant. Lines 5 and 6 show the 3-dot embellishments. Upper case dots reach just under  $\frac{1}{2}$  height and are larger than those on the lower case, which reach just over  $\frac{1}{2}$  the x-height (about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of total letter height.)



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## Activity 2: Alphabet

Remember these steps for drawing this font: Form letters for entire project in pencil including their double lines – Ink over letter forms – erase pencil – in ink, draw the fill for the entire project – draw dots for all upper case – draw dots for all lower case. Working through the whole project on a single step at a time will help to ensure consistency and helps avoid spacing errors and misspellings.

Later, in using the font in projects you may wish to color in the filled areas or use color for your dots. But in this stage, keep them free of color as it will serve as a better reference for you.



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## Activity 3: Quote

Today, we'll use the new font to write a quote with the word 'answer'.

The purpose of this exercise is to practice writing a lot of words. This helps the formation of the letters to become established in muscle memory as they will flow more naturally the more you use them.

So use some upper case as well as some lower case .

God's Answer  
To Trouble Is  
TRUST;  
Our Answer  
To Fear Is  
FAITH.





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## Activity 4: Scripture Writing

Like yesterday, we want to get in a lot of practice using the font. This time we'll write a scripture with the word 'answer'.

I Call  
On The  
LORD  
In My  
DISTRESS  
And He  
ANSWERS  
Me.

PSALM 120:1



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## Activity 5: Bible Page

Today, we'll choose a scripture that has the word 'answer' and write it out in our Bible using the new font.

It is easy to drop the scale of this font down to 'Bible size' just by remembering that the x-height is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the total font height.

Here, you may wish to color in the double lined areas and decorate your page with an illustration. I added the Pansy from a Drawing Room lesson.

God is listening and he WILL answer.

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I call  
on you,  
my God,  
for you  
will  
answer  
me;  
turn  
your  
ear to  
me and  
hear my  
prayer.

PSALM 17:6

<sup>3</sup> I say of the holy people who are in the land,  
"They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight."  
<sup>4</sup> Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.  
I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods  
or take up their names on my lips.  
<sup>5</sup> LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup;  
you make my lot secure.  
<sup>6</sup> The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
surely I have a delightful inheritance.  
<sup>7</sup> I will praise the LORD, who counsels me;  
even at night my heart instructs me.  
<sup>8</sup> I keep my eyes always on the LORD.  
With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.  
<sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;  
my body also will rest secure,  
<sup>10</sup> because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,  
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.  
<sup>11</sup> You make known to me the path of life;  
you will fill me with joy in your presence,  
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Psalm 17  
A Prayer of David.

<sup>1</sup> Hear me, LORD, my pleas; just  
listen to my cry.  
Hear my prayer,  
it does not rise from deceitful lips.  
<sup>2</sup> Let my vindication come from you;  
may your eyes see what is right.  
<sup>3</sup> Though you punish me, O LORD,  
though you are angry at night and test me,  
you will find me. I have planned to evil;  
my mouth has not transgressed.  
<sup>4</sup> Though people tried to bribe me,  
I have kept myself from the ways of the violent;  
through what your lips have commanded.  
<sup>5</sup> My steps have held to your paths;  
my feet have not stumbled.  
<sup>6</sup> I call on you, my God, for you will answer me;  
turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.  
<sup>7</sup> Show me the wonders of your great love,  
you who save by your right hand  
those who take refuge in you from their foes.  
<sup>8</sup> Keep me as the apple of your eye;  
hide me in the shadow of your wings  
<sup>9</sup> from the wicked who are out to destroy me,  
from my mortal enemies who surround me.  
<sup>10</sup> They close up their callous hearts,  
and their mouths speak with arrogance.  
<sup>11</sup> They have tracked me down, they now surround me,  
with eyes alert, to throw me to the ground.

<sup>a</sup> 10 Or holy

