Letter N: look, trace and try

Start with a finger, then a pencil if wanted. These models are for recognition and tracing; follow your school's formation guidance.

Look at both forms.

N n

Trace the light letters.

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Letter N: a looking game

The small numbers help the grown-up check answers. They are not the letters you are looking for.

Find every N and n. Point, circle or colour your choices.

1 P	2 w	3 n	4 k	5 S	6 z
7 G	8 N	9 V	10 c	11 J	12 r
13 n	14 N	15 M	16 u	17 B	18 n
19 Q	20 x	21 E	22 l	23 N	24 a

Keep the model nearby if helpful. Cover part of the grid to make a smaller hunt. A grown-up can check the numbered cells on page 3.

Letter N: grown-up guide and game

Choose a small shared activity. No perfect handwriting, completed worksheet or independent reading is expected.

Make and play

Build N with three strips of paper. Keep its outside stems still and compare a diagonal middle strip with a horizontal one. Put the diagonal back, then draw n beside a picture of a nest.

Notice a difference

Compare n and m: m contains an extra shoulder. Compare N and H by noticing whether their joining stroke slopes or goes across. Use a pair of clear models and leave enough space between them.

Example words

nest, net, nose. Find n at the beginning of these written words. These are letter examples; follow school guidance when teaching sounds.

Letter-hunt answers

3 (n), 8 (N), 13 (n), 14 (N), 18 (n), 23 (N). There are six matching cells: three capitals and three lowercase letters.

Let the child point, talk or direct your hand. Stop for a break whenever needed. An adult prepares paper pieces; keep scraps away from children who mouth objects.