Science Lab Spacing

Practice clear word spaces in cursive lab notes.

5.F.H.4.b "Use appropriate spacing throughout the body of a text when writing in cursive."

NAME _____ DATE _____

BEFORE YOU WRITE

- Sit tall as you write.
- Keep your letters on the baseline.
- Leave a finger space between words.

1 TRACE LAB WORDS

Trace

Trace each science lab word in cursive.

beaker beaker

liquid liquid

magnet magnet

2 COPY LAB WORDS

Copy

Copy each word in cursive on the line below it.

observe

measure

3 COPY LAB SENTENCES

Copy

Copy each sentence in cursive, leaving clear spaces between words.

We poured sand into a cup.

The balance held a small rock.

A drop of dye spread in water.

4 YOUR OWN WRITING

In cursive

Write two cursive sentences about a science lab you could do. Tell what you would observe and measure. Leave clear spaces between words.

CHECK YOUR WRITING

- [ ] I left clear spaces between words.
- [ ] I kept letters within each word close together.
- [ ] My letters rest on the baseline.
- [ ] My letter size and slant stay steady.

ANSWER KEY

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WHAT TO LOOK FOR

- Spaces between words are clear and consistent throughout the sentences and original writing.
- Spaces within words do not make a word look like two words.
- Letters rest on the baseline.
- Letter size and slant remain reasonably consistent.

The models are printed in one traditional cursive. If your handwriting program forms a letter differently, students follow your program.

MODELS ON THE PAGE

- **Part 1 · Trace Lab Words** (trace): beaker · liquid · magnet
- **Part 2 · Copy Lab Words** (copy): observe · measure
- **Part 3 · Copy Lab Sentences** (copy): We poured sand into a cup. · The balance held a small rock. · A drop of dye spread in water.

YOUR OWN WRITING (SAMPLE)

Task: Write two cursive sentences about a science lab you could do. Tell what you would observe and measure. Leave clear spaces between words.

I would watch ice melt. I would measure the time.

The original writing should have two cursive sentences about a possible science lab, including something to observe and something to measure. Accept any sensible response that meets those requirements, with particular attention to word spacing.