

Understand the shape of the
boxes – it will help you.

Ascenders (they are tall letters)

b d h k l t

Descenders (they continue below the line)

f g p q y j

Where a letter has a dot
on the top the box is
curved.

'i' has 2 shapes – one when it's on its own and one when it's in a word:

I i

Where a letter has a dot
on the top the box is
curved.

Other letters of the alphabet fit in this size of box:

a c e m n o r s u v

w x z

Capital letters have a bigger box (you need them for things like names)

S P D B K L

List 1:

Adult's copy

b a d

d a d

h a d

l a d

m a d

p a d

s a d

Child's copy

List 2:

Adult's copy

b a g

g a g

n a g

r a g

s a g

t a g

w a g

Child's copy

List 3:

Adult's copy

a m

d a m

h a m

j a m

r a m

y a m

S a m

Child's copy

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List 4:

Adult's copy

a n

c a n

f a n

m a n

p a n

r a n

v a n

Child's copy

List 5:

Adult's copy

c a p

l a p

m a p

n a p

r a p

t a p

s a p

Child's copy

List 6:

Adult's copy

Child's copy

a t

□ □

b a t

□ □ □

c a t

□ □ □

f a t

□ □ □

h a t

□ □ □

m a t

□ □ □

p a t

□ □ □

List 7:

Adult's copy

b u t

c u t

g u t

h u t

n u t

r u t

Child's copy

List 8:

Adult's copy

c a n

c a p

c a t

c o d

c o t

c u p

c u t

Child's copy