



CLASSROOM STRATEGIES

USES INAPPROPRIATE SPACING BETWEEN WORDS OR SENTENCES WHEN WRITING

- This student may have some visual spatial issues. If any other visual errors are noted in their copying or their work (including letter reversals), it may be warranted to refer them to a specialist optometrist (eg. orthoptist) who is able to assess higher level visual processing skills such as spatial skills. If this issue is severe and affecting legibility some visual training may be beneficial.
- Check the student's paper position. A right-handed person writing in cursive should tilt the paper to the left so the lower left-hand corner points toward the midsection.
- Place dots between letters and have student use fingers as a spacer between words.
Alternatively, provide the student with graph paper, instruction them to write letters in each block, while skipping a block between words and sentences.
- Teach the student to always look at the next word to determine if there is enough space before the margin.