

# Emerging Spelling: Stages and Teaching Strategies

Chapter 12

# Stages of Spelling Development

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Stage 1: Emergent Spelling

Stage 2: Letter-Name Spelling

Stage 3: Within-Word Spelling

Stage 4: Syllables and Affixes Spelling

Stage 5: Derivational Relations Spelling

# Stage 1: Emergent Spelling

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*This stage is typical of 3- to 5-year old children who learn these concepts:*

- ❖ The difference between drawing and writing
- ❖ The direction of writing on a page
- ❖ Some letter-sound matches
- ❖ The formation of letters