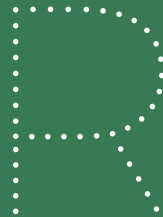
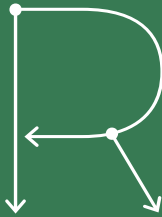


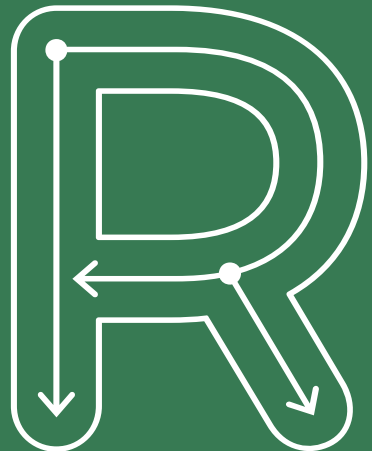
Formulate

A rounded font made from model letters

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VARIABLE AXES

Weight

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GLYPHS

234

STYLES

17

OPEN TYPE FEATURES

ss01, ss02, ss03

FORMATSotf, ttf, woff, woff2,
variable ttf

Aa Medium

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N

O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n

o p q r s t u v w x y z

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Formulate aims to provide shining examples of modern typographic shapes for young people learning how to write and read. The design process was an exploration in finding the basic shape of a letter as it exists in today's context. I researched how children are taught to write and how the examples and references given to them can help or hinder this milestone. The variety of styles in the Formulate family are designed to help teachers (or homeschooling parents) create modern practice sheets for their students.

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STYLES

ExtraLight	Hamburgerfonts
Light	Hamburgerfonts
Regular	Hamburgerfonts
Medium	Hamburgerfonts
Bold	Hamburgerfonts

Inline Arrows	Hamburgerfonts
Inline	Hamburgerfonts
Inline Dots	Hamburgerfonts
Outline Bold	Hamburgerfonts
Outline Light	Hamburgerfonts

Dots	Hamburgerfonts
Bold Dots	Hamburgerfonts
Bold Inline	Hamburgerfonts
Bold Arrows	Hamburgerfonts
Light Arrows	Hamburgerfonts
Light Dots	Hamburgerfonts
Light Inline	Hamburgerfonts

FEATURES

SS01 (Modified Itq)

liquid tea → liquid tea

SS02 (Double Storey)

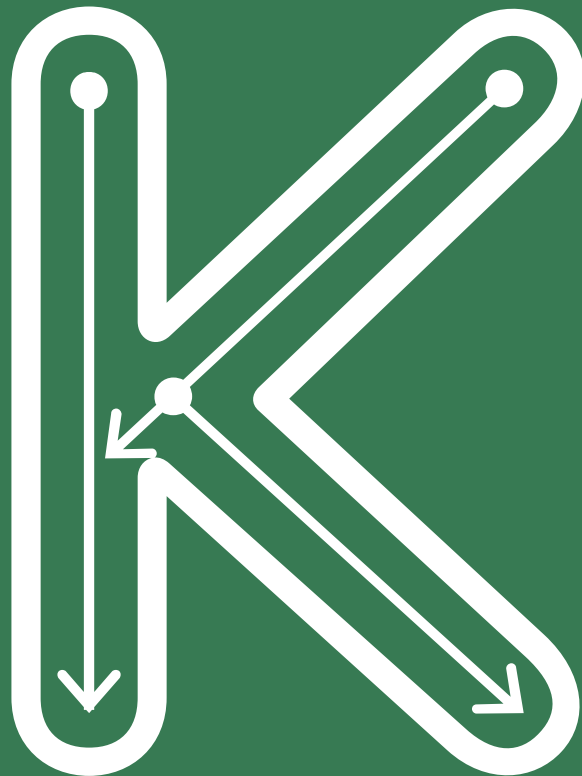
aghaſt → aghaſt

SS03 (Serifless Caps)

JINGLE → JINGLE

SS04 (Alternate 9)

6,947 → 6,947



Bold 9/14

My own personal experience of learning how to write happened a long time ago and the memory has faded but my 6-year-old son has just started his journey. It's been fascinating to look at the available resources and compare them to the understanding of letterforms I have gained through type design.

ExLight 15/19 & Light 9/14

But what is the purpose of learning to write? Why not just type everything with our fancy computers?

There is evidence that learning to physically form the letters (writing) is a part of learning how to read. These two activities use different parts of the brain which creates more connections resulting in faster and more accurate letter recognition.

ExtraLight 24/28

With writing and reading so intertwined in early education, shouldn't our model

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In the summer before my child started kindergarten we received a package of learning materials including an alphabet poster.

I had a hard time ignoring the flaws in this poster that was supposed to be a model of the alphabet for my child. This got me thinking about how I would design the poster from the point of view of a type de-

Regular 6/11

The concept was to create a set of letters that were easy to draw or write while retaining the connection to typographic tradition. The Formulate alphabet has proportions based on modern typographic construction with higher x-heights and uniform widths. This makes the letters more closely related to the letters we typically see in everyday life and as I would later find out, how people with neat handwriting tend to form their letters.

There are a couple Reddit forums (Penmanshipporn and Handwriting) where people post their neat handwriting. I looked at quite a few samples of what oth-

CHARACTER SET

Base Alphabet

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V
W	X	Y	Z	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z			

Punctuation

.	,	..	:	;	!	?	ı	ç	‘	’
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()	[]	{	}	-	-	—	/	
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Numbers & Math

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	+
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Extended Language Support

À	Á	Â	Ã	Ä	Ç	È	É	Ê	Ë	Ẽ
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Ö	Ù	Ú	Û	Ü	Ũ	Ŵ	Ŷ	Ÿ	Ẃ	Ý
Ŷ	Ÿ	Ỳ	Ỹ	Æ	Œ	à	á	â	ã	ä
ç	è	é	ê	ë	ẽ	ì	í	î	ï	ĩ
ј	ñ	ò	ó	ô	õ	ö	ù	ú	û	ü
ũ	ŵ	Ẁ	ẁ	Ẃ	ẃ	Ẅ	ẅ	Ẇ	ẇ	Ẉ
ı	œ	Ј	’	`	^	~	..	ˆ		

Alternates

l	q	t	a	á	â	ä	à	ã	g	ı
í	î	ï	ì	ĩ	Ј	Ј	j	Ј	ј	9

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LANGUAGES SUPPORTED: 192

Acheron
Achinese
Achuar-Shiwar
Afar
Afrikaans
Aguaruna
Alekan
Alonquin
Amahuaca
Amarakaeri
Amis
Anaang
Andaandi, Dongolawi
Anuta
Aragonese
Arbëreshë Albanian
Asháninka
Ashéninka Perené
Balinese
Banjar
Basque
Batak Dairi
Batak Karo
Batak Mandailing
Batak Simalungun
Batak Toba
Bemba (Zambia)
Bena (Tanzania)
Bikol
Bislama
Borana-Arsi-Guji Oromo
Breton

Buginese
Candoshi-Shapra
Caquinte
Caribbean Hindustani
Cashibo-Cacataibo
Cashinahua
Catalan
Cebuano
Central Aymara
Chachi
Chavacano
Chiga
Chokwe
Chuukese
Cofán
Cornish
Corsican
Dehu
Eastern Arrernte
Eastern Oromo
English
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Filipino
French
Friulian
Galician
Garifuna
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Gilbertese
Guadeloupean Creole
Gusii
Haitian

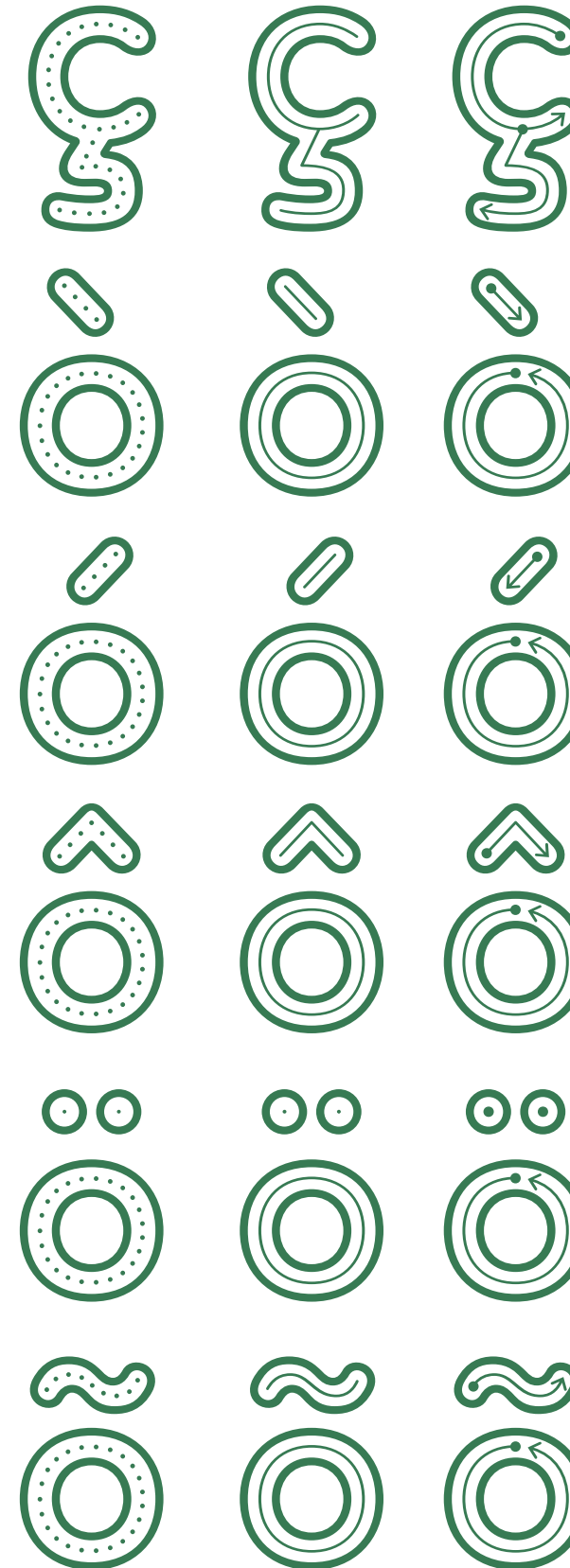
SCRIPTS: LATIN

Hani
Hiligaynon
Hopi
Huastec
Iloko
Indonesian
Irish
Italian
Ixcatlán Mazatec
Jamaican Creole English
Japanese
Javanese
K'iche'
Kabuverdianu
Kaingang
Kalaallisut
Kalenjin
Kamba (Kenya)
Kaonde
Kekchí
Kenzi, Mattokki
Khasi
Kimbundu
Kinyarwanda
Kituba (DRC)
Kongo
Konzo
Ladino
Luba-Lulua
Luo
Makonde
Malagasy

Malaysian
Manx
Maore Comorian
Mapudungun
Mauritian Creole
Meriam Mir
Meru
Minangkabau
Mirandese
Mohawk
Murrinh-Patha
Mwani
Miskito
Naga Pidgin
Ndonga
Neapolitan
Ngazidja Comorian
Nobiin
Nomatsiguenga
North Ndebele
Northern Qiangdong Miao
Northern Uzbek
Nyankole
Occitan
Orma
Oroqen
Pampanga
Papantla Totonac
Papiamento
Pichis Ashéninka
Piemontese
Pijin

Pintupi-Luritja
Pipil
Pohnpeian
Portuguese
Potawatomi
Purepecha
Páez
Quechua
Romansh
Rotokas
Rundi
Sango
Sangu (Tanzania)
Saramaccan
Sardinian
Scots
Scottish Gaelic
Sena
Seri
Seselwa Creole French
Shawnee
Shipibo-Conibo
Shona
Shuar
Sicilian
Soga
Somali
Soninke
South Ndebele
Southern Aymara
Southern Qiangdong Miao
Spanish

Sranan Tongo
Standard Malay
Sundanese
Swahili
Swiss German
Tagalog
Tedim Chin
Tetum
Tetun Dili
Toba
Tok Pisin
Tosk Albanian
Tumbuka
Tzeltal
Tzotzil
Uab Meto
Umbundu
Upper Guinea Crioulo
Waray (Philippines)
Warlpiri
Wayuu
Welsh
West Central Oromo
Western Abnaki
Western Frisian
Wiradjuri
Xhosa
Yanesha'
Yao
Yucateco
Zulu
Záparo



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