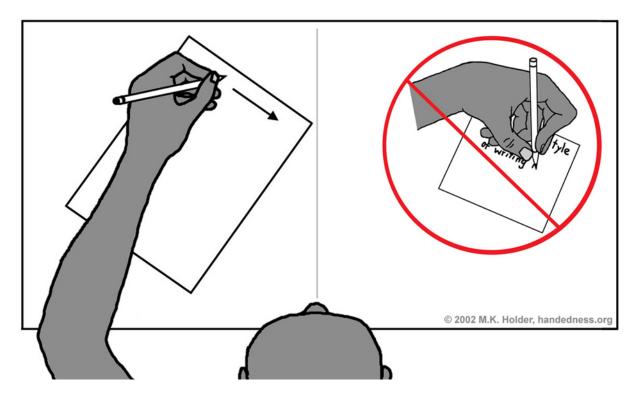
Teaching Left-Handed Writing

- ▶ Grip the pencil 2.5cm (1 inch) to 3.8cm (1.5 inch) from the point,
- Tilt paper so that arm is at right-angle to bottom edge of paper (and top right corner of page is toward writer),
- Keep the wrist straight (not bent) and below writing line, with the arm roughly parallel to the left edge of the paper.



Writing with the left hand is *not* just the opposite from writing right-handed. If a child is only permitted to write with the left hand but not *taught* how to write, s/he may develop a needlessly uncomfortable, inefficient, slow, or messy way of writing that will be a lifelong hardship. For example, some children adopt a "hooked" posture trying to see what they are writing and not smear what was just written, but both problems are better overcome by proper paper positioning and pencil grip. Right-biased school desks can also cause many problems for left-handers.



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