

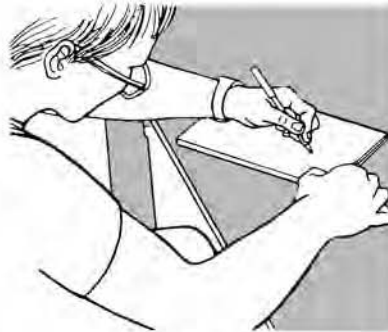
# Practical tips for left-handers

Left-handers have different needs from right-handers and these are often overlooked.

- 1 Sit at the end of the table, or next to a left-hander. You need space to your left side. If you sit to the right of a right-hander, you will bump each other as you work.
- 2 Find a seat where the strong light comes from your right side, otherwise you will be working in the shade of your own hand.
- 3 Sit a little higher than your right-handed neighbour. This will help you to see over the top of your hand as you write. Hold your pen a fair distance from the point to help you to see what you are writing.
- 4 Paper position is very important. Put the paper to your left side before you start to slant it. Your arm can move freely. You see what you are doing without smudging.
- 5 A pen with a smooth point will work best for you. Sharp points dig into the paper and broad edged nibs can be a problem. Fibre tips are good and do not smudge.
- 6 Some strokes are more difficult for a left-hander. You may want to use slightly different letters from a right-hander, or sequence your strokes differently. See page 47.



This left-hander had his paper over to his right side, so he sat sideways to write.



Now the paper is in the over to his left he can sit properly at the desk.



He tried working on a tilted board and liked it. You might like it too.