

# Read with Your Fingers

Most people read by using their eyes. However, people who can't see can still read. They read with their fingertips! The Braille alphabet is based on a rectangle of six dots. Each dot position has a number, 1 through 6. For each letter, some dots are raised and some are not. For example, the letter A has one raised dot in position 1. The letter G has four raised dots in positions 1, 2, 4, and 5. Use the Braille alphabet below to write messages to your friends in the empty box.

**Braille Alphabet Chart**

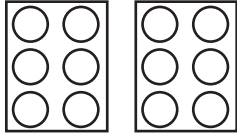
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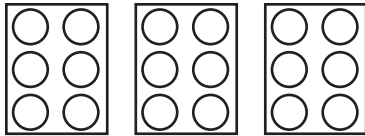
# Learn to Write Braille

Using the Braille alphabet chart, write the words in the boxes.

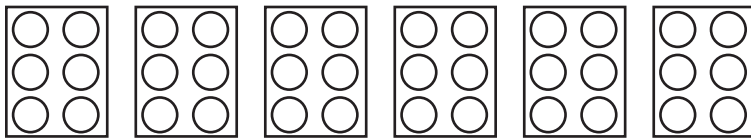
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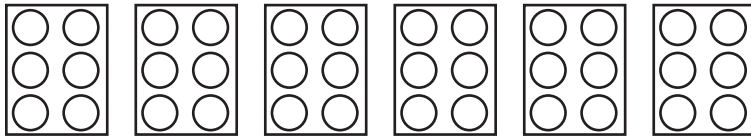
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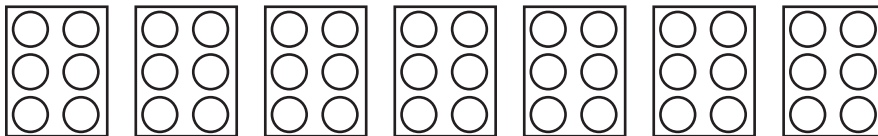
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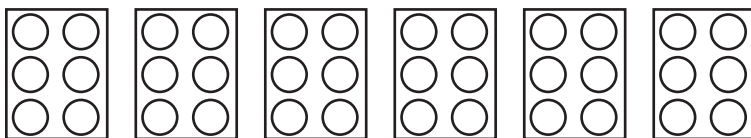
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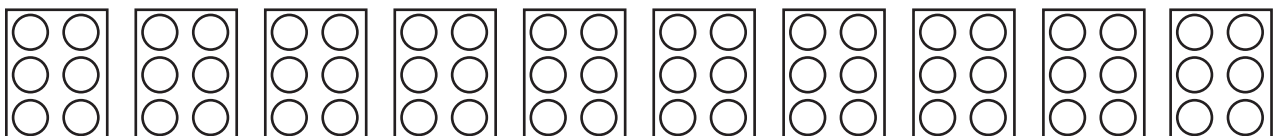
5. Braille



6. family



7. Write your name using Braille dots.



# Answer Key

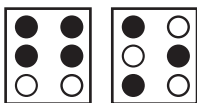
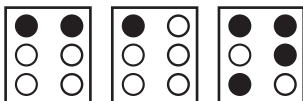
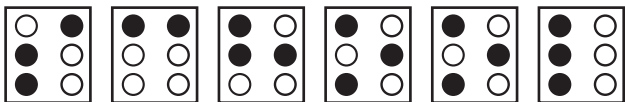
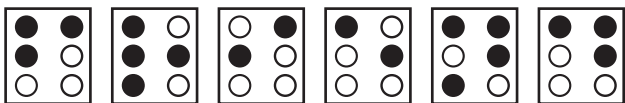
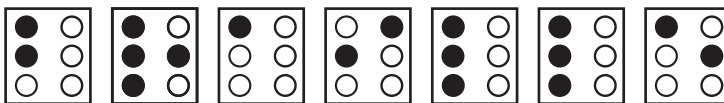
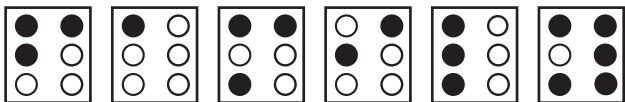
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1. It has nerves that travel to different parts of the body. The nerves make the arms and legs move.
2. A person can be paralyzed.
3. Paralysis means that a person cannot move a part of his or her body.
4. Answers will vary. Appropriate responses include: We can help the person if he or she needs it. We should treat the person the same way we treat others.

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1. Thomas Edison invented the electric light bulb, the electric railroad, and talking movies.
2. Steven Spielberg struggled with reading.
3. Any of the following: Abraham Lincoln, Edgar Allan Poe, Mozart, Albert Einstein, Salvador Dali, or Henry Ford.
4. Accept reasonable answers.

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2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 
6. 

7. Answers will vary.

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