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COCO'S

SEAWEED SNIPPING

Straight | Wavy | Zigzag



A bonus printable cutting activity for
the Coco Early Writing Skills Box.



Little snips with scissors build important skills.

Using scissors might look like a simple craft activity, but there's a lot happening in those little hands.



As your child holds the paper with one hand and cuts with the other, both hands are learning to work together, each with a different job. Opening and closing the scissors also builds hand and finger strength, while following a line helps develop control and coordination.

In Coco's Seaweed Snipping, your child will practise cutting three different types of lines:

Straight

Snipping slowly along the line.



Wavy

Following the curves as they wiggle.



Zigzag

Turn at each point as you snip.



The goal isn't to perfectly cut seaweed. It's giving little hands an opportunity to practise.

Each one brings a slightly different challenge. These are all useful skills for little hands that are still developing the strength and control they'll later draw upon when writing.

While you're snipping:

- Let them go slowly. Staying on the line matters less than learning to control the scissors.
- Help with the paper, not the scissors. If needed, help your child discover how turning the paper can make following a line easier.
- Expect wobbles. Cutting precisely is difficult for little hands and develops with practice.
- Notice both hands. One hand cuts while the other holds, moves and turns the paper.
- Celebrate the process. The seaweed doesn't need to look perfect to belong in Coco's ocean.

How to make Coco's seaweed

Let's snip some seaweed with
scissors!



HOLD

One hand holds the paper while the other holds the scissors.

Ask:

- Which hand is holding your paper?
- Which hand is doing the cutting?
- Are you ready for your first snip?



SNIP

Open, close, move forward. Encourage small, controlled snips along the line.

Ask:

- Can you make little snips along the line?
- Can you cut slowly?
- Can you follow the line all the way to the end?



TRACK

Slow down and turn the paper as the line changes direction.

Ask:

- Which way does the line go next?
- Can you turn the paper to help your scissors?



CREATE

Turn your snipping practice into Coco's underwater world and stick them up.

Ask:

- Where should this seaweed grow?
- Where can we stick it?
- What colour should we make it?



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Safety Notice

Adult supervision is required for this activity.

Always use child-safe scissors appropriate for your child's age and stage. Choose left- or right-handed scissors based on your child's natural hand preference, and allow them to use the hand that feels most comfortable.

Remind your child to stay seated while cutting and to keep scissors pointed away from themselves and others.

 Cut along the lines

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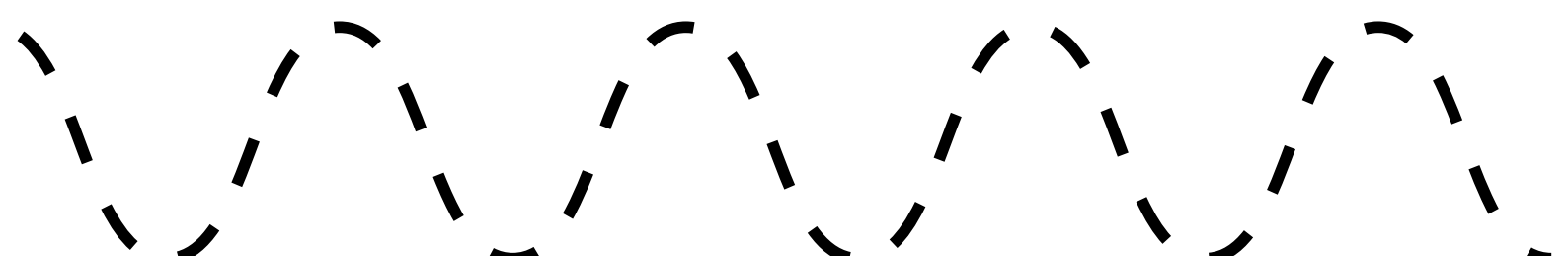
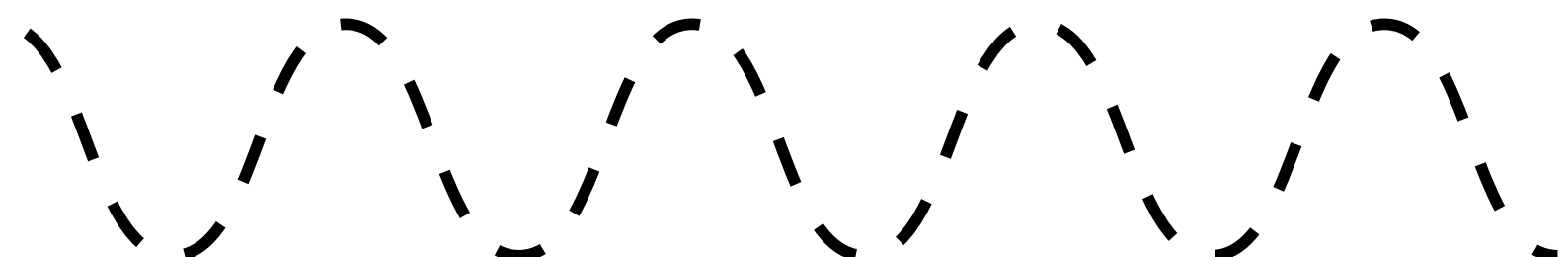
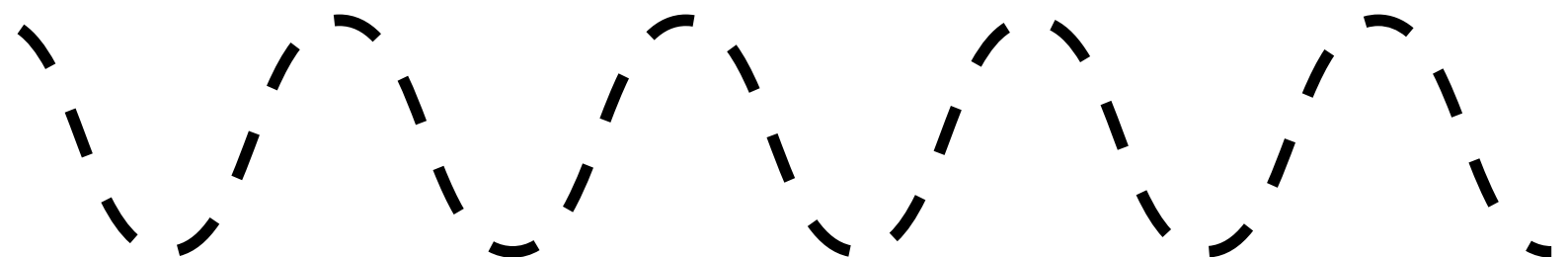
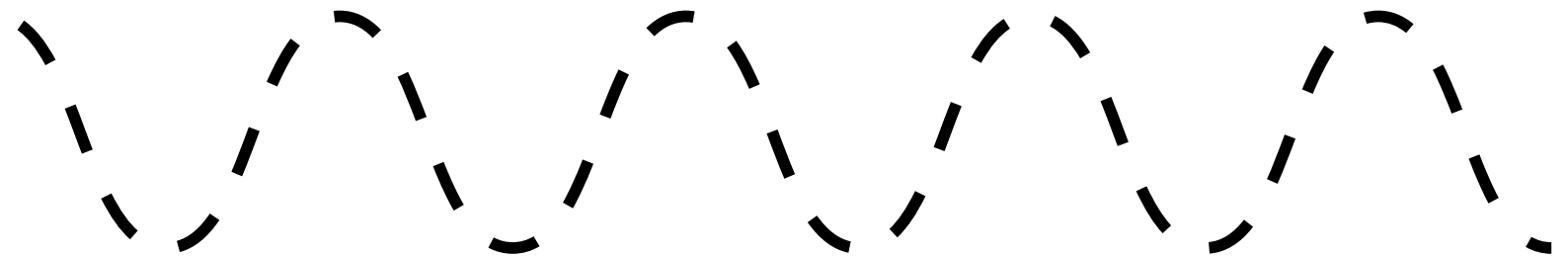
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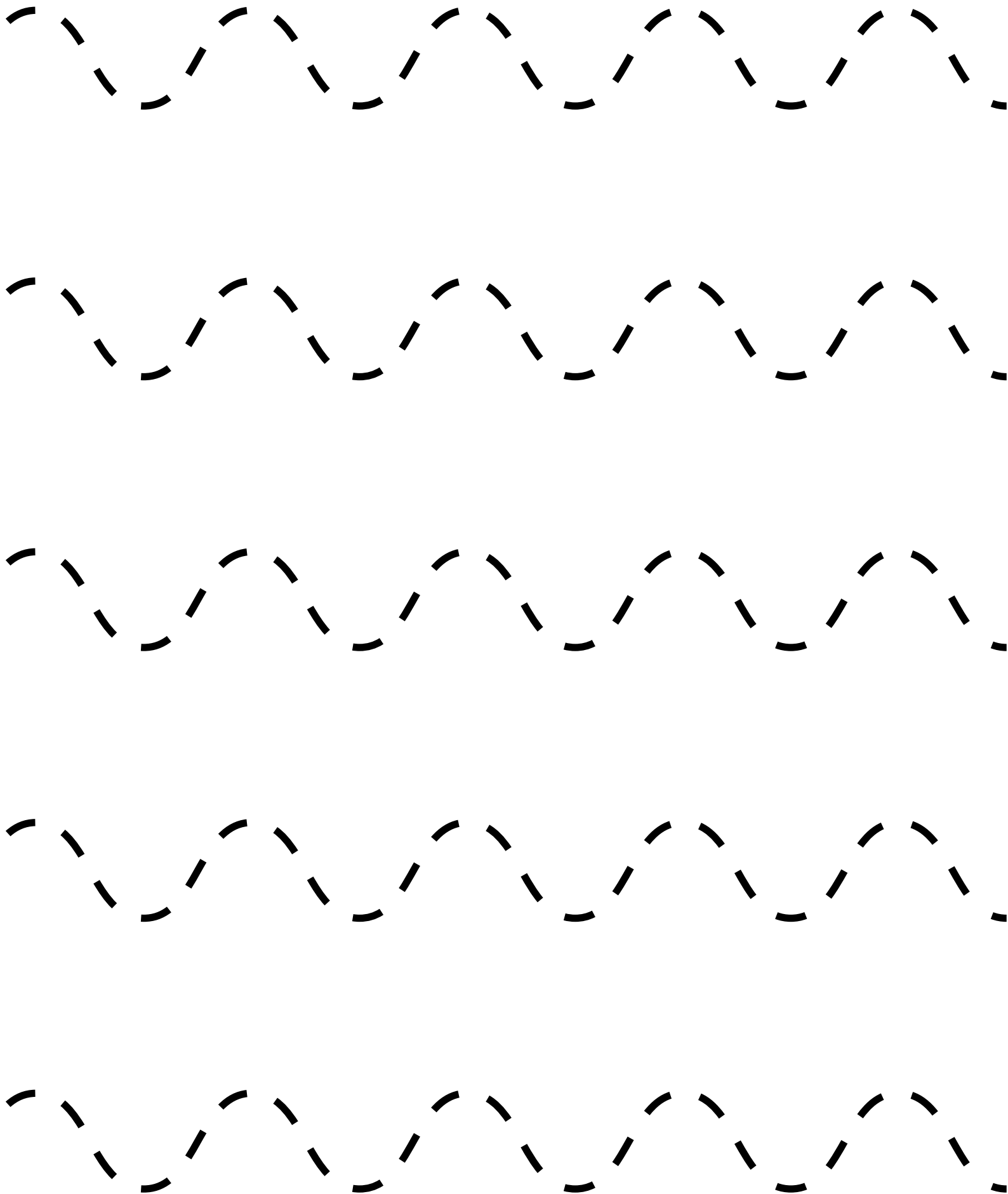


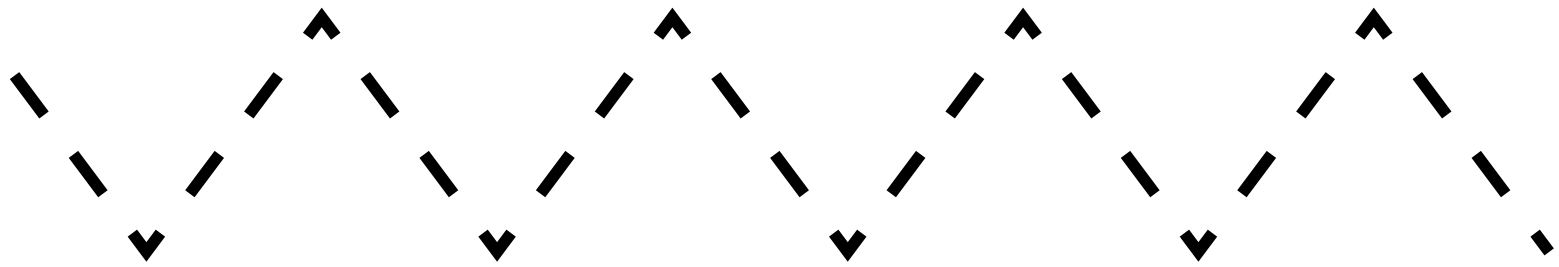
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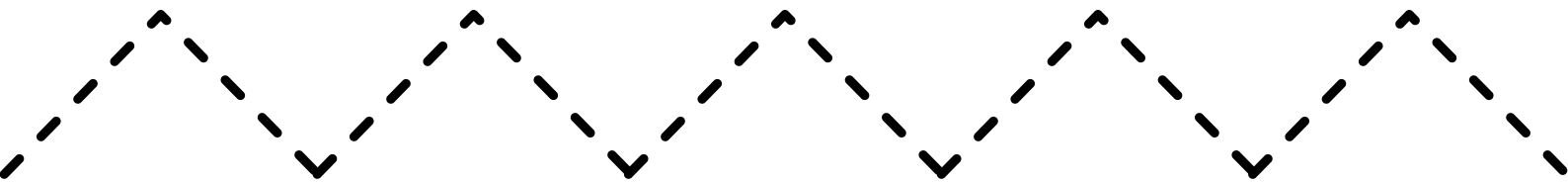
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