



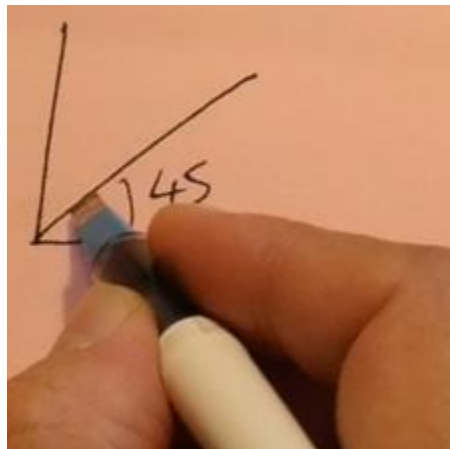
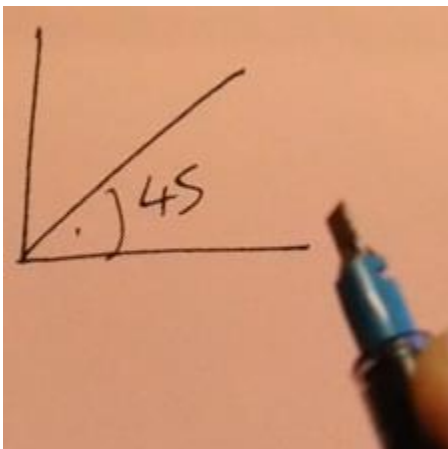
# CALLIGRAPHY BOOKMARKS by BENJAMIN AYSAN

## MATERIALS

- 1) A set of calligraphy pens with nibs between 1.5 and 6 millimeters  
(or substitute with chisel-tip Crayola markers)
- 2) Scissors
- 3) Paper

## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Take a piece of paper and use the scissors to cut it to the length of a bookmark—about 2 – 3 inches wide and under 4 – 6 inches long. Use special scissors to give your bookmark a fun design on the edges!
- 2) Pick up your pen and hold it at a 45-degree angle. This will keep ink from dripping off the point. You can help yourself by drawing a rough sketch of a corner with a line sprouting out from it, like so.



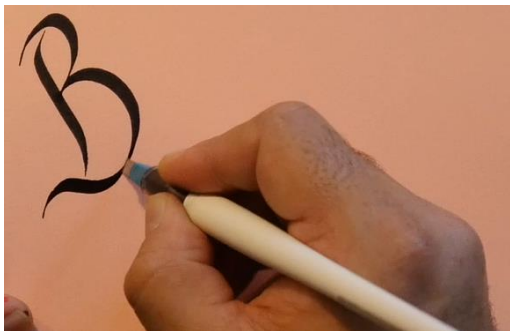
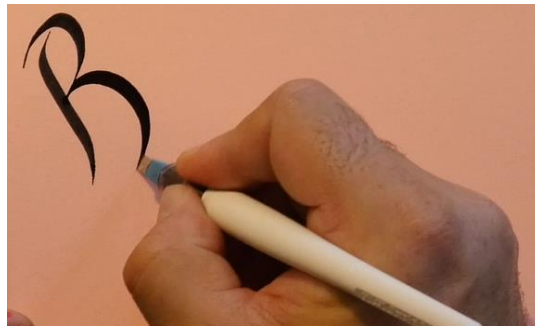
- 3) Practice sketching the letters in your name on a spare piece of paper. Start by breaking them down into a series of lines that you can make in one hand movement. Look at how we have broken the letters “B” and “e”.
  - a. When writing, keep your grip *steady*. Move your *hand*, not the *pen*. This will ensure your lines have an even “weight” throughout.



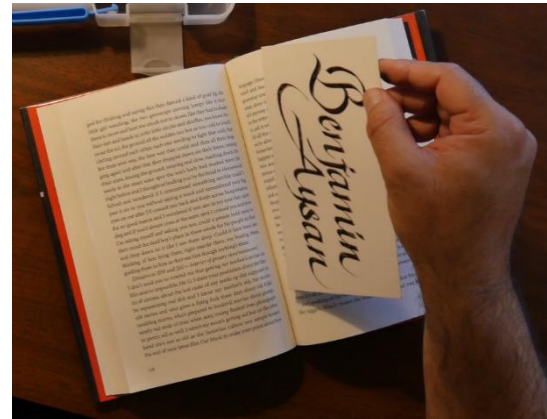
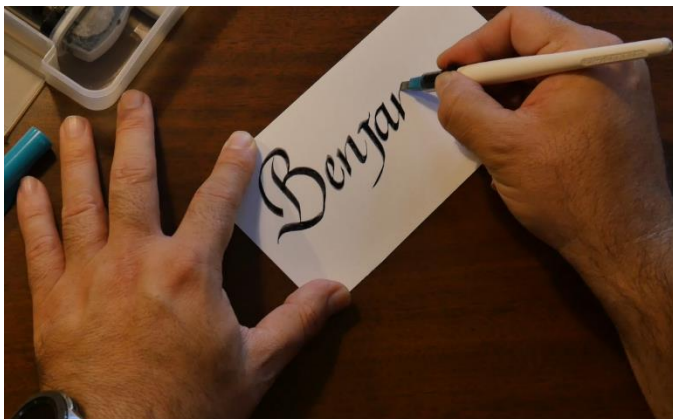
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- 4) Put them all together on the bookmark! Wherever you can, connect your letters with lines that run from one to another.



- 5) If you have a hole punch, you can add a fancy tassel to your bookmark. First, add a hole to the top of the paper, as close to the edge as you can. Then, take a piece of string, twine, or ribbon and push it through the hole. Then, pull it up it through the hole so that about half the rope is on either side. Then, tie a loop so that the string is attached securely to the bookmark.

