

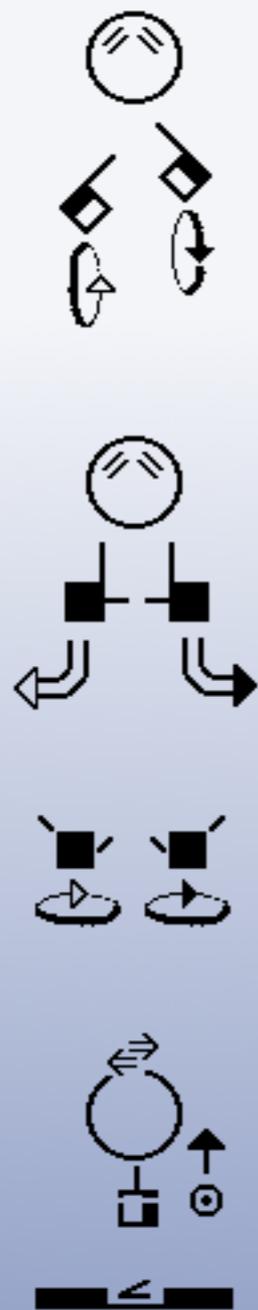


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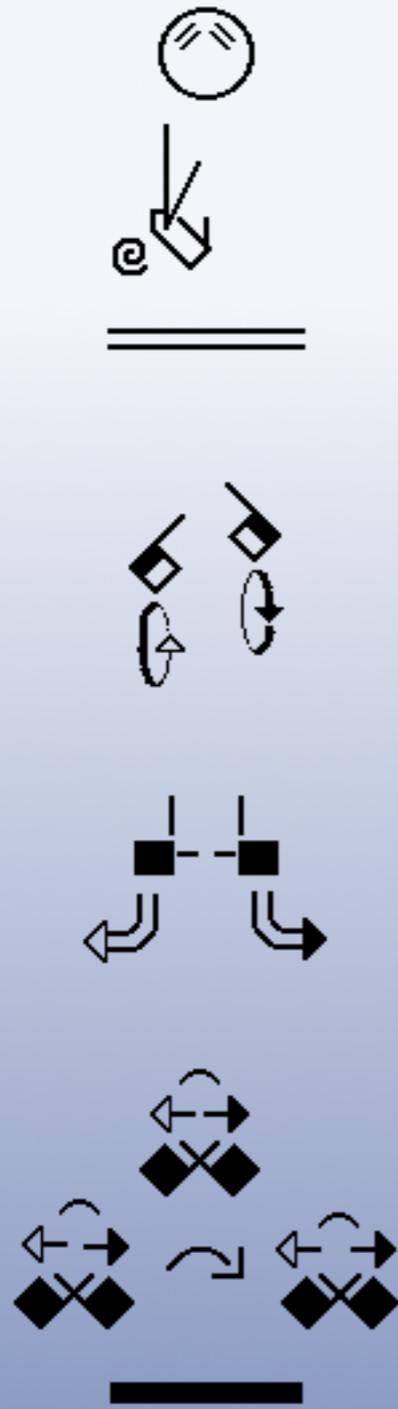
Sign Languages Are Written Languages!

SignWriting Script ISO 15924 Sgnw

by Valerie Sutton and Adam Frost



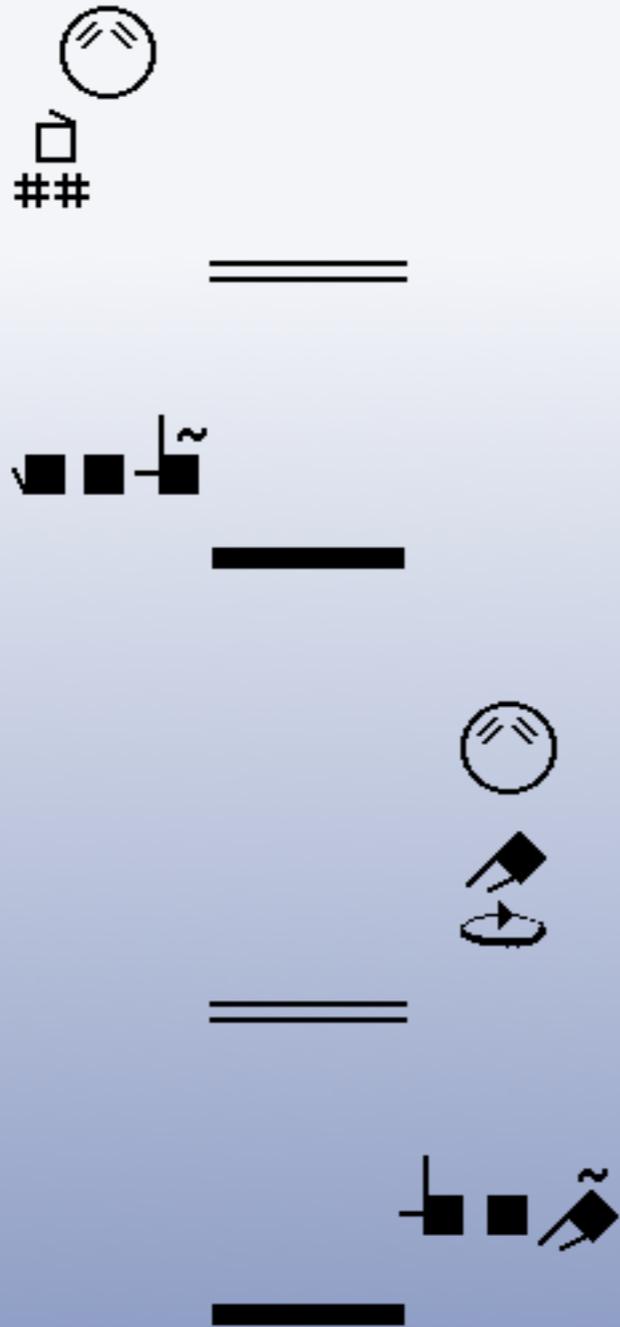
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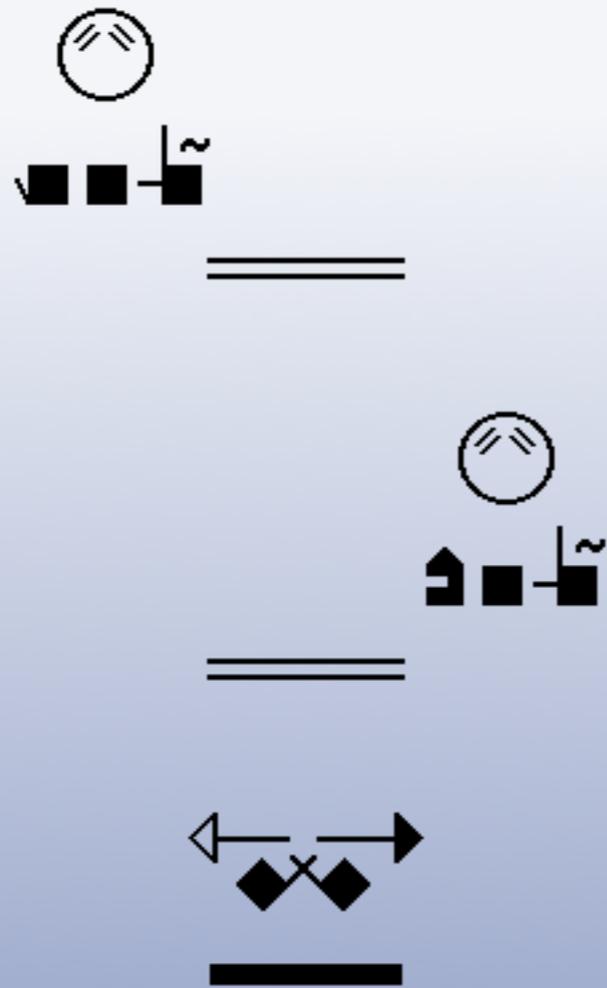
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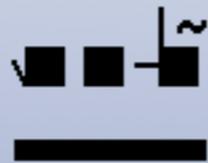
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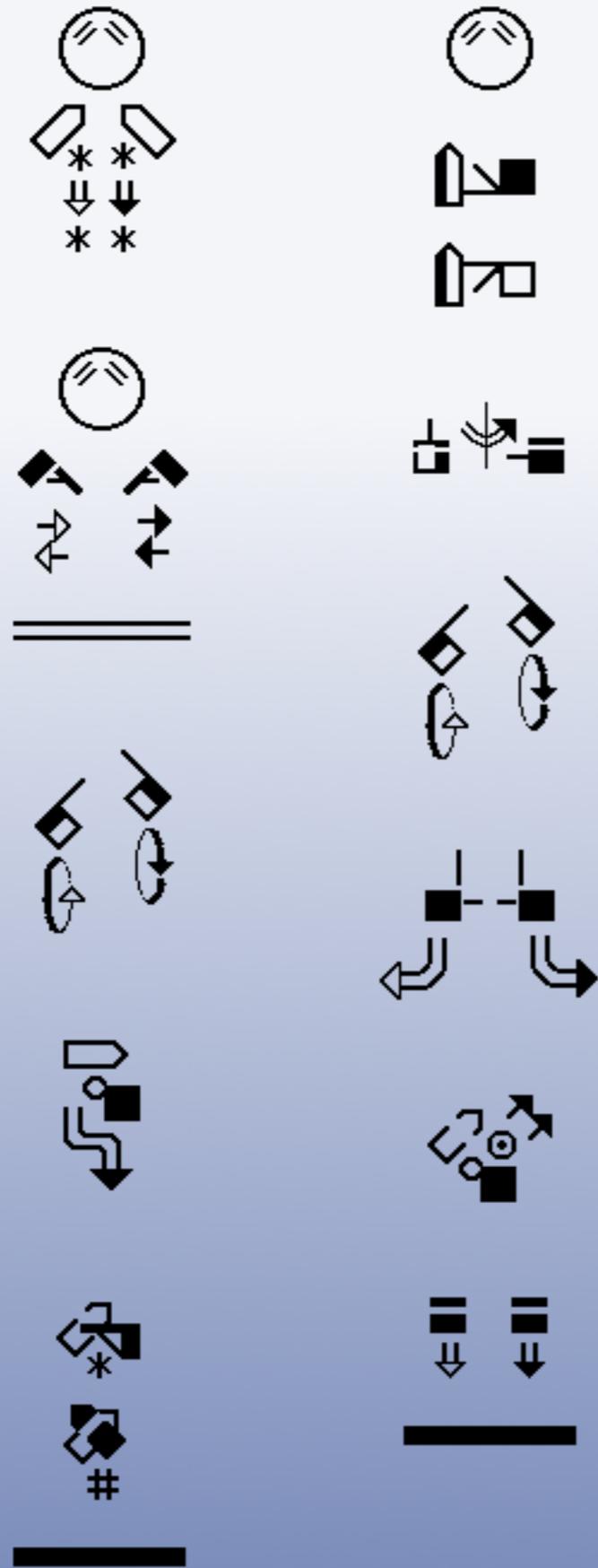
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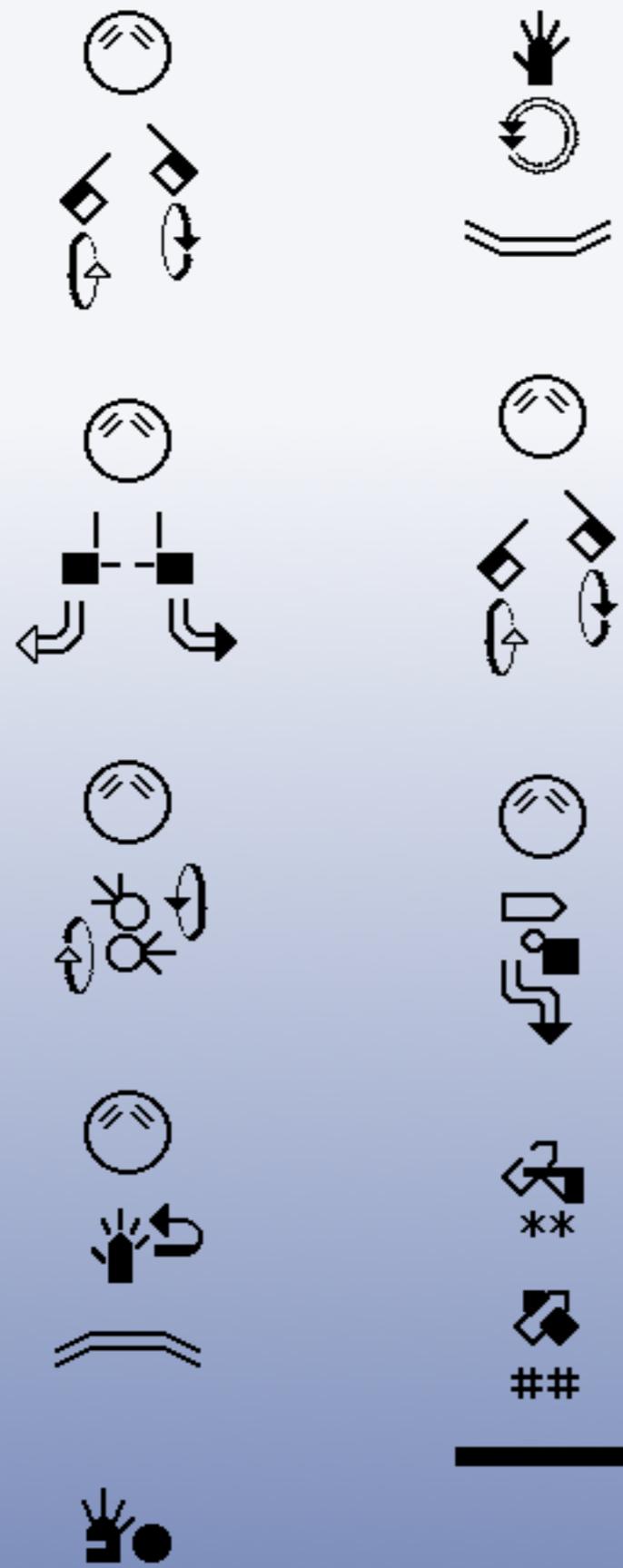
and...
American
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(ASL) and
British Sign
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are nothing
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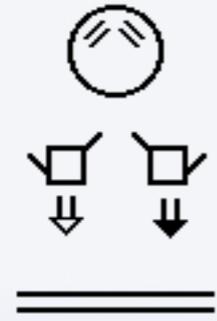
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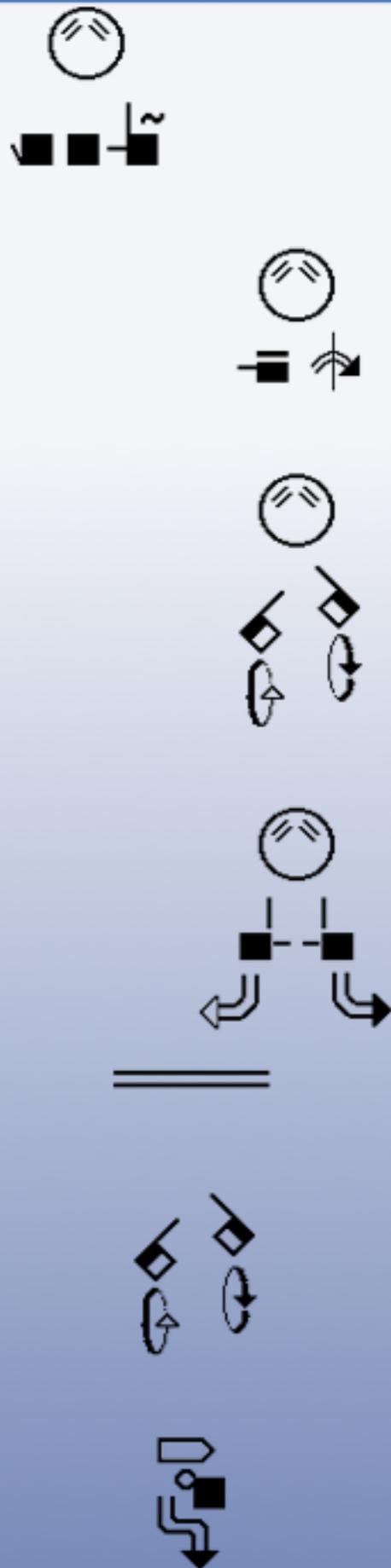
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which means
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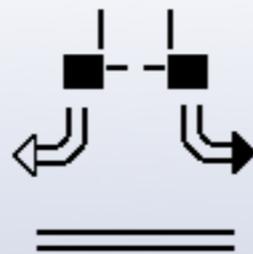
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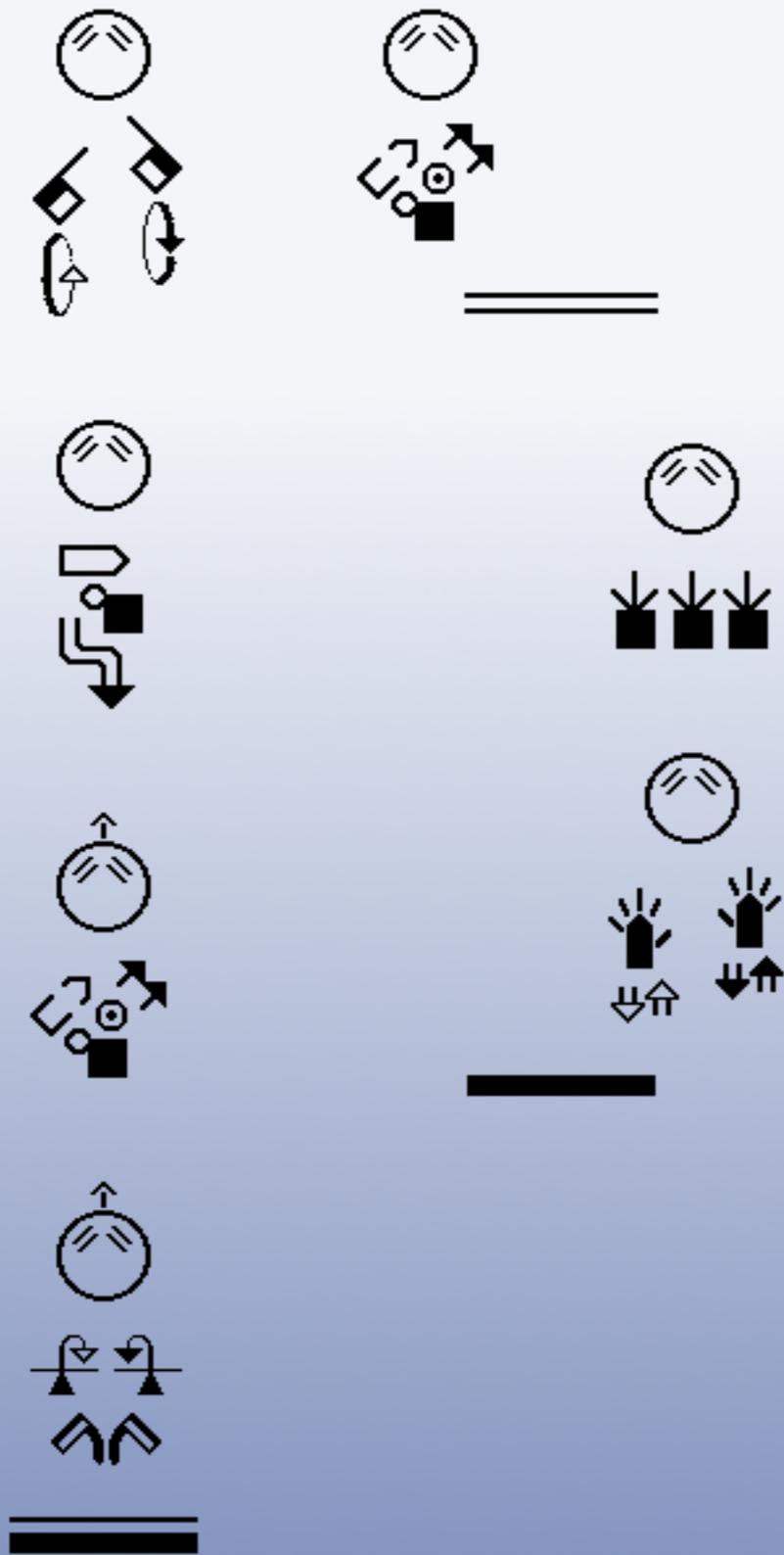
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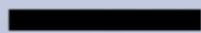
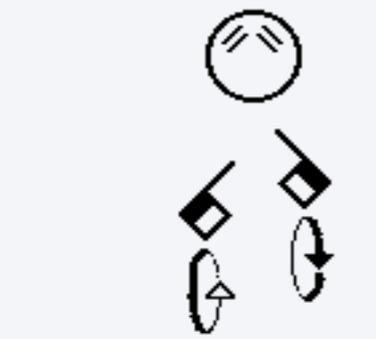
SignWriting
does not
change ASL
or any Sign
Language.
It records
the way
signs look.



SignWriting
is not a
language.
It is a script
that writes
languages
that already
exist.



SignWriting
is written
by hand and
by computer,
directly on
the world
wide web...



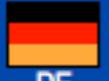
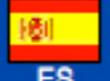
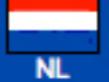
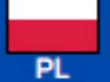
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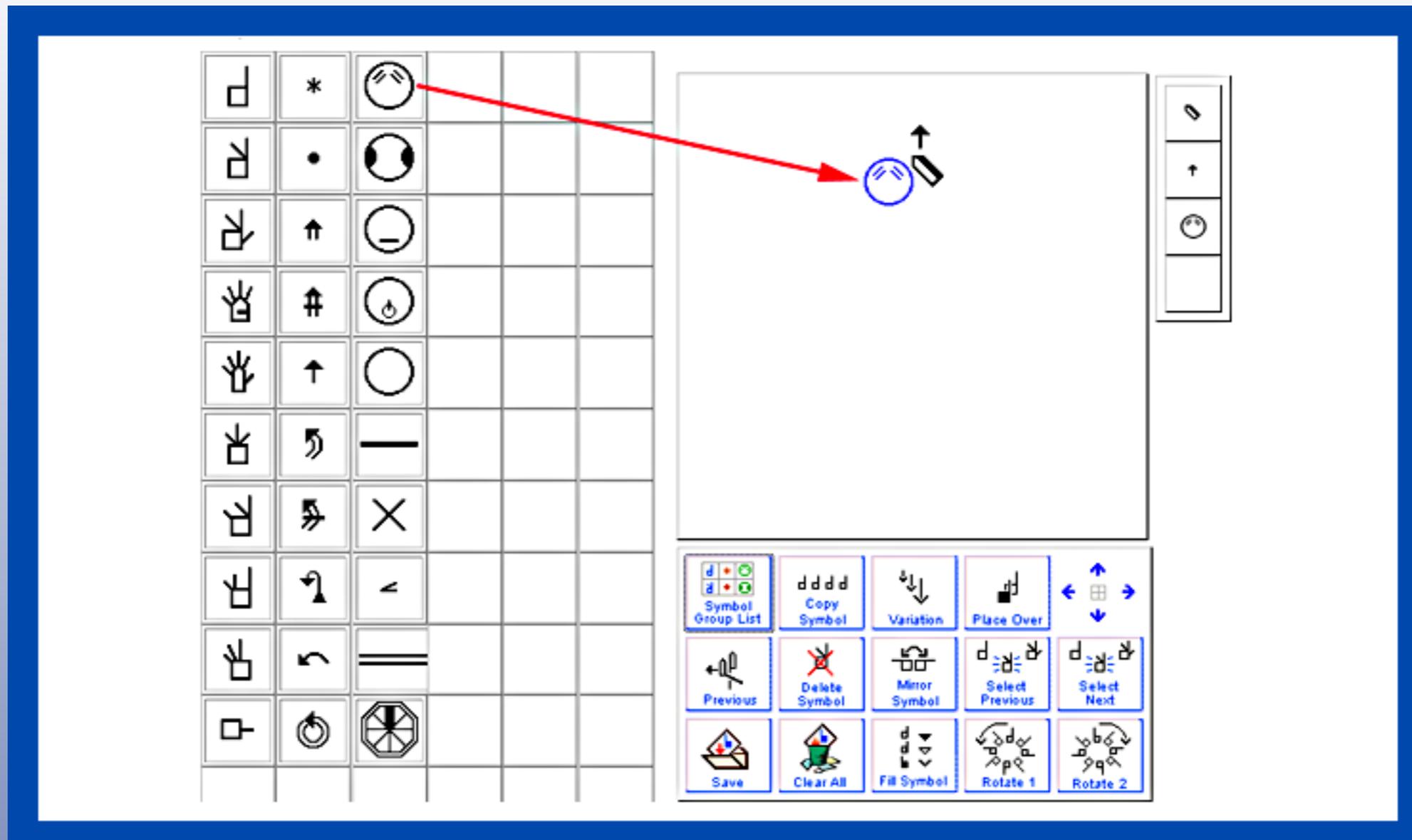
Write Sign Language
Dictionaries & Literature
in Any Sign Language
in the World...

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 ES	 ES-ct	 ET	 FI	 FR	 GB	 GB-ie	 GR	 HN
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Write Signs Online

Create Signs in SignPuddle

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Write Dictionaries Online

Create Dictionaries in SignPuddle

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The screenshot shows the SignPuddle website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a 'Home' button, the 'SignPuddle™' logo, and a 'Dictionary US' button. Below the navigation bar is a search bar with the text 'Search for word:' and a 'Go Search' button. The search bar has three radio buttons: 'Any part of word' (selected), 'Start of word', and 'Exact word'. The search results are displayed in a grid format with five columns. The first column contains the word 'six' and its various forms and related terms. The second column contains the word 'six' and its various forms and related terms. The third column contains the word 'six' and its various forms and related terms. The fourth column contains the word 'six' and its various forms and related terms. The fifth column contains the word 'six' and its various forms and related terms.

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1	Cody	gone	negative with expression	Singapore
1 year	coffee	good	neglect	single
1,000,000	coin	good night	negotiate	sister
1-year	coins	good point	neighbor	sister
1/10	Coke	good-friend	neighborhood	sister-in-law
1/2	coke	goodbye	nephew	sisters
1/3	cold	Google	nervous	sit
1/4	collar	goose	nerve	sit long time
1/5	collect	goosebumps	Netherlands	sit-circle
1/6	college	gorilla	network	sit-circle2
1/7	Colombia	Gospel	networking	sit-facing
1/8	colon	gossip	neutral	sit-on-right
1/9	color	govern	neutron	sit-on-throne
10	Colorado	government	Nevada	sit-right
100	column	Government2	never	sit-together
1000	come	Government3	never8	sit_together
101	come here	gown	new	situation
11	come together	grab	New Hampshire	six
12	come-	grab from left	New Jersey	six dollars
13	come-2	grab me	New Mexico	six hundred
14	come-down	grace	New Year resolution	six million
15	come-here	gracious	New York	six o'clock
16	come-here-boy	grad school	New-Hampshire	six thousand
17	comfort	grade 0	New-Jersey	six weeks
18	comfortable	gradeF	New-Mexico	six-of-us
19	coming	graduate	New-York	sixteen
1989	comma	graduate school	New-York-City	sixth
1990	command	grammar	New-Zealand	sixty
1991	commandment	grandfather	New-Zealander	sixty eight
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Write Literature Online

Create Sign Documents in SignPuddle

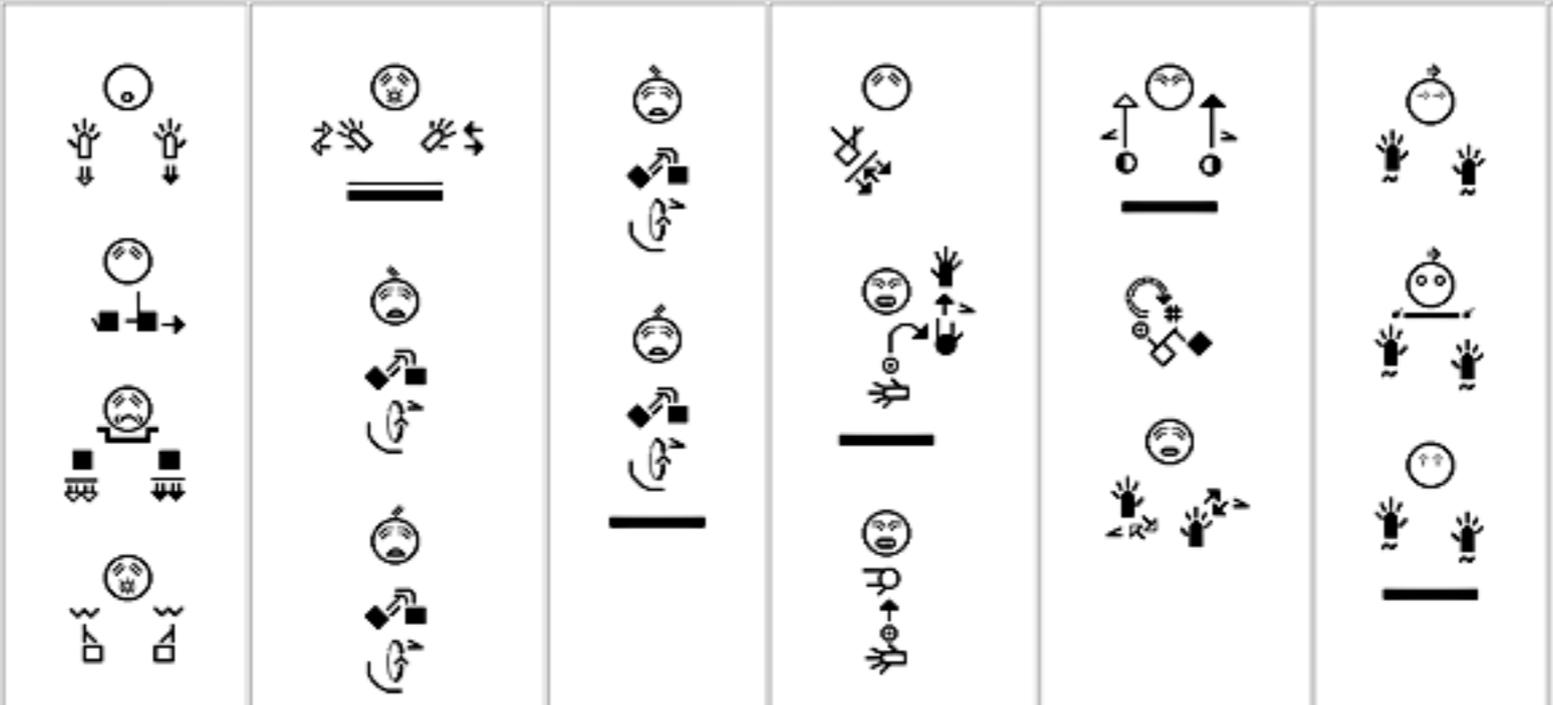
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Cat in the Hat 03



So all we could do was to
Sit!
Sit!
Sit!
Sit!
And we did not like it.
Not one little bit.

And then
Something went BUMP!
How that bump made us jump!



The sign document consists of six vertical columns of icons. Each column contains a sequence of icons representing the poem's content. The icons include faces with various expressions (neutral, sad, surprised), hands in different positions, and symbols like a hat and a bump. The sequence of icons in each column corresponds to the lines of the poem: Column 1: 'So all we could do was to'; Column 2: 'Sit!'; Column 3: 'Sit!'; Column 4: 'Sit!'; Column 5: 'Sit!'; Column 6: 'And we did not like it. Not one little bit. And then Something went BUMP! How that bump made us jump!'.

New SignWriting Software

Software by Stephen E. Slevinski Jr., scheduled for release Autumn, 2008

SignPuddle 2.0

www.signbank.org/signpuddle

SignWriting Image Server (SWIS) 1.0

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SignWriting MediaWiki Plug-In

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30 Groups of Symbols

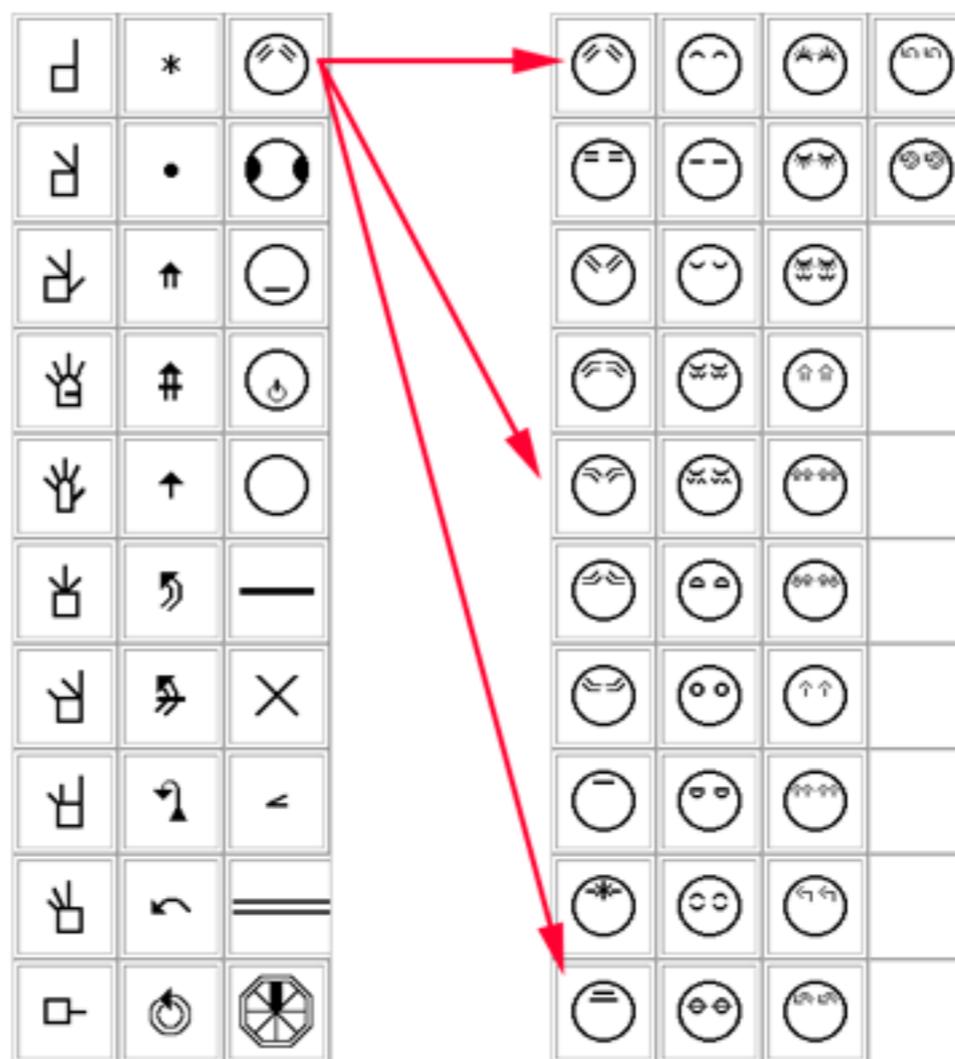
The International SignWriting Alphabet 2008

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Symbol Groups

Click on a
Group Symbol
to find
other symbols
in that group



Sutton's SymbolBank

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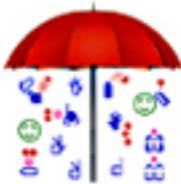
...welcome to **Sutton's...**

SymbolBank



Symbol Archive For The
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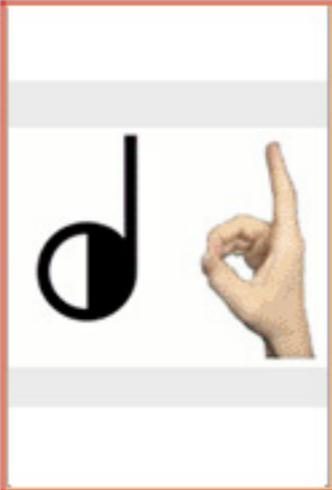
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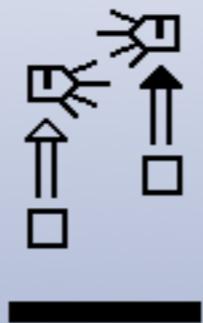
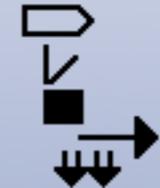


SignPuddle Software



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The graphic is divided into two main sections. The left section, titled "SignWriting Library", features an illustration of an open book with handwritten sign language symbols and words like "Dead", "see", "one dollar", "two dollars", "three dollars", "four", "thirteen", and "fourteen". Below this are three numbered categories: 1. SignWriting PDF Archive (with an icon of a stack of papers), 2. Children's Literature (with an illustration of a man and a woman), and 3. Religious Literature (with an illustration of a group of people at a table). The right section, titled "Who Uses SignWriting?", shows a world map with red dots indicating usage locations. Below the map is a grid of ten icons, each representing a country: America, Arabia, Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Czech Republic, and Denmark.

SignWriting Library
Written Sign Language Literature

1
SignWriting PDF Archive

2
Children's Literature

3
Religious Literature

Who Uses SignWriting?

America, Arabia, Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Czech Republic, Denmark

SignWriting Videos

www.signwriting.org/video

The screenshot displays the SignWriting website interface. At the top, there is a horizontal navigation bar with seven icons and labels: Downloads (floppy disk), Shop Online (shopping cart), Search (magnifying glass), Forums (group of people), Library (book), Lessons (house with asterisks), and About (smiley face with hands). Below this bar is a vertical sidebar on the left with three main sections: SignWriting (arrow pointing down), SignBank (house with asterisks), and SignPuddle (hand with arrow). The main content area features a large video player with the title "SignWriting Videos". The player shows a video titled "Lessons" with a thumbnail of a woman signing, and another video titled "Perspectives" with a thumbnail of a man signing. A filmstrip graphic is overlaid on the bottom left of the video player, showing various signwriting symbols. The video player interface includes a progress bar and a timestamp of 00:00:11.

SignWriting Literature Project

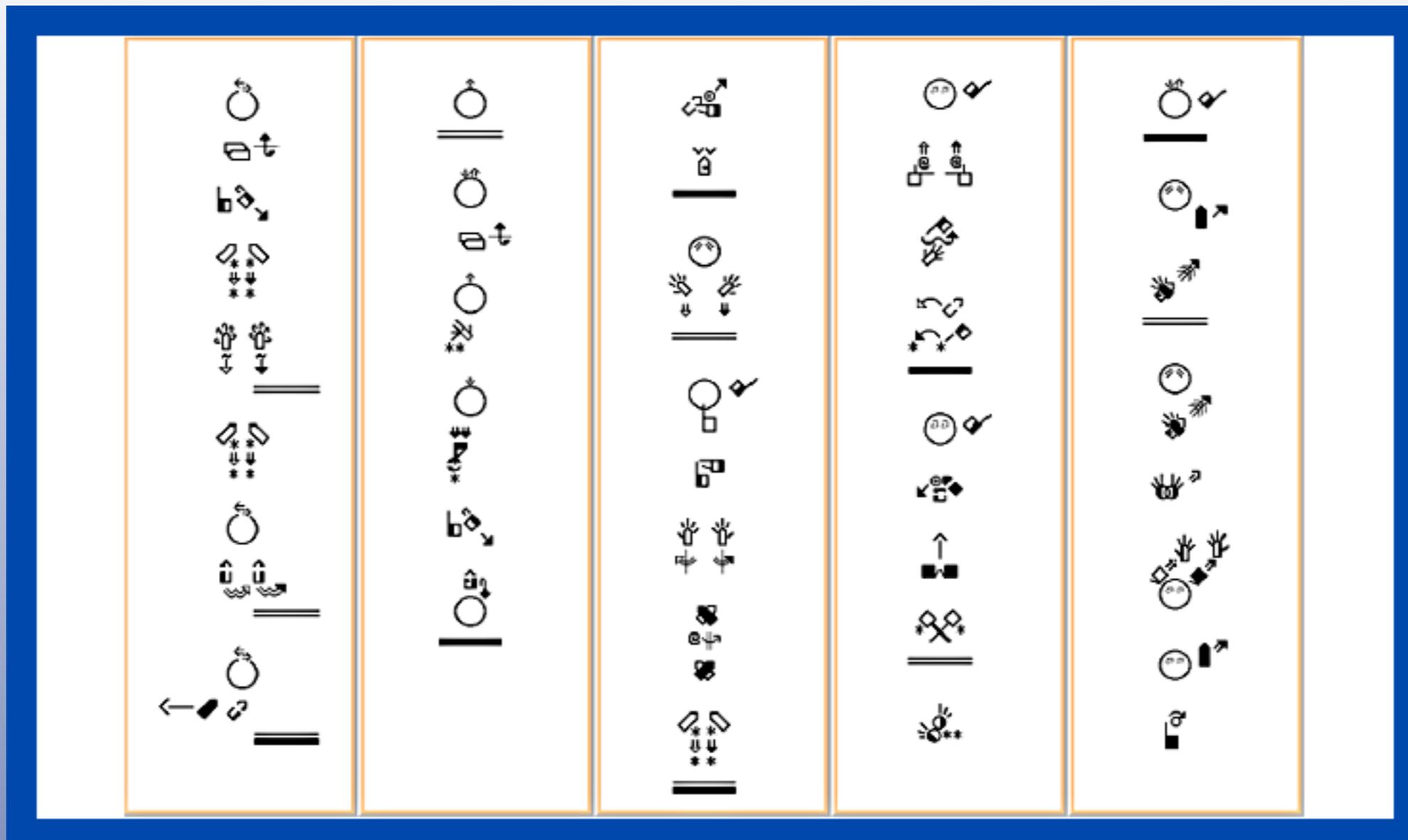
www.signwriting.org/literature

<p>1 <u>School Textbooks</u></p> 	<p>2 <u>Children's Literature</u></p> 	<p>3 <u>Religious Literature</u></p> 
<p>4 <u>Deaf Author's Literature</u></p> 	<p>5 <u>Large Sign Dictionaries</u></p> 	<p>6 <u>World Literature</u></p> 

Gospel According to John

Romero Translation: 21 Chapters Written in ASL

www.signwriting.org/library/bible



Cat in the Hat

www.signwriting.org/library/children

The image displays a signwriting guide for the phrase "The Cat in the Hat". It includes the following elements:

- Book Cover:** The cover of "The Cat in the Hat" by Dr. Seuss, showing the character in his signature red and white striped hat and red bow tie.
- Video:** A small video player showing a person signing the phrase.
- Signwriting Diagrams:** Four vertical columns of diagrams illustrating the signwriting process for the words "The", "Cat", "in", and "Hat". Each diagram shows a sequence of hand movements and facial expressions, often accompanied by a thick black line representing the sign's duration or a specific hand position.

Sleeping Beauty

www.signwriting.org/signpuddle



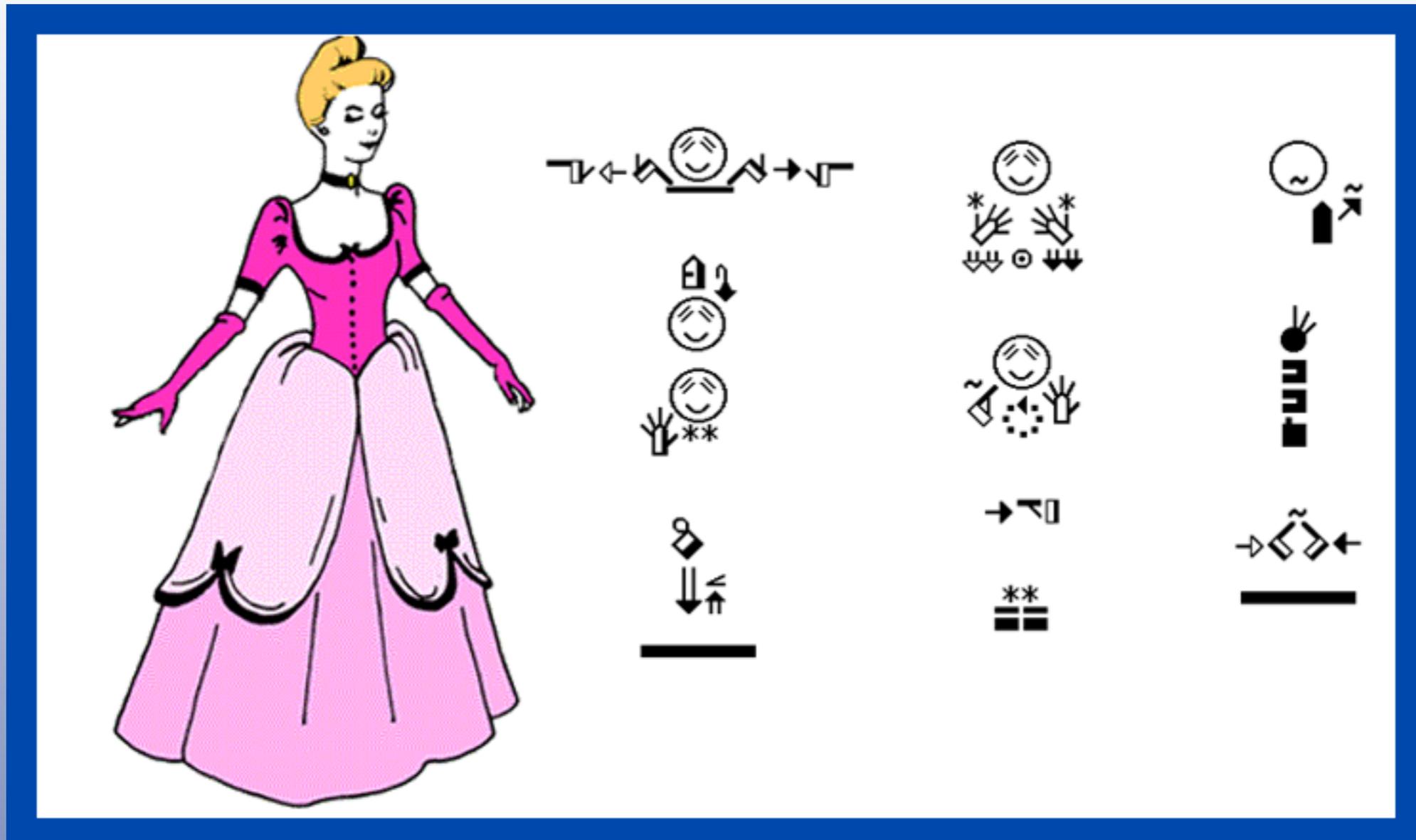
Sleeping Beauty

Signwriting symbols for the story:

- Top row: Prince (face, hands), Princess (face, hands), Prince (face, hands), Princess (face, hands)
- Second row: Prince (face, hands), Princess (face, hands), Prince (face, hands), Princess (face, hands)
- Third row: Prince (face, hands), Princess (face, hands), Prince (face, hands), Princess (face, hands)
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Cinderella

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Why SignWriting?

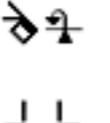
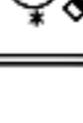
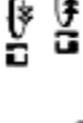
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Why SignWriting 01



Hello.
My name is Adam Frost.

language everyday of my life. I have learned English. It is my second language. My greatest frustration growing up was trying to take my thoughts, which were in sign, and having to write them in English. I never liked that feeling of frustration. Later when I found SignWriting, which is a system based on handshapes and movements, not based on any sound whatsoever, I found that I was able to express my ideas in sign freely without constraint on paper. I didn't have to struggle with translating my thoughts into English just so that I could write them on paper. So, some people think that sign language is a universal language, but that is not true. I use American Sign Language which is only used across the United States and Canada.

Textbooks on SignWriting

www.signwriting.org/lessons



Dissertation on SignWriting

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SignWriting in Arabic Nations

Two Research Studies In Deaf Education

Research Study, Jordan 2007

Jordan University, Al-Amal School for the Deaf

Research Study, Saudi Arabia 2002

Alqasseem-Boraydah Deaf Children Institute



Deaf student in Saudi Arabia learning SignWriting in 2002

ISO 15924 World Script

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ISO 15924 Code Lists

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Codes for the representation of names of scripts Codes pour la représentation des noms d'écritures

Table 1
Alphabetical list of four-letter script codes
Liste alphabétique des codets d'écriture à quatre lettres

Code	N°	English Name	Nom français	Property Value Alias	Date
Sgnw	095	SignWriting	SignÉcriture, SignWriting		2006-10-10

The SignWriting List

www.signwriting.org/forums/swlist

SignWriting List Forum		
<p>1</p> <p>How to Join The SignWriting List</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>Help! Technical Support</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>Archive 4 August 2007 - Today</p> 
<p>4</p> <p>Archive 3 May 2002 - Today</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Archive 2 May 1998 - April 2002</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Archive 1 Oct 1997 - April 1998</p>

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1



Sheet Dance
Classical Ballet

2



Sheet Dance
**Modern & Jazz
Dance**

3



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Duncan Dance

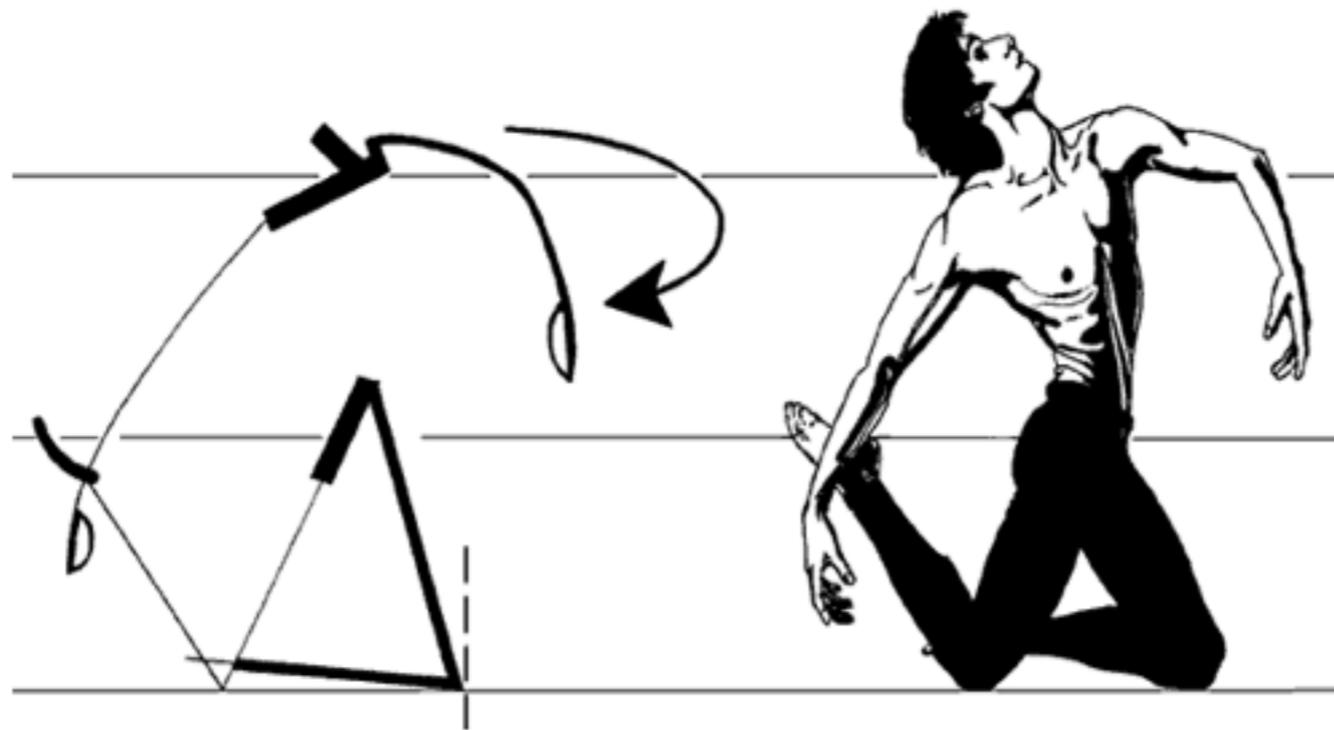
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