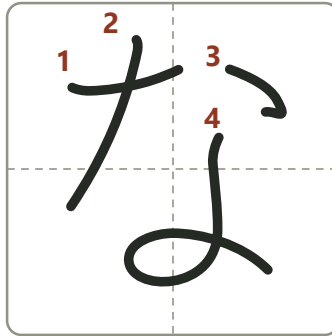
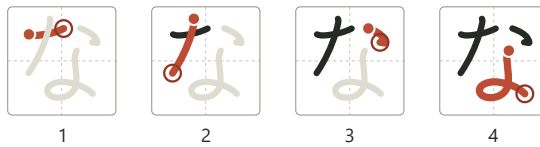


な · na

Na in hiragana is な. A loop at the bottom of its last stroke tells it apart from た.



Writing model



Write it, stroke by stroke.

1. Starts far left, high in the box; rises gently, ends on the center line. — stop (とめ)
2. Starts left of center, near the top; a short diagonal down-left through 1. — stop (とめ)
3. Starts upper right, about level with 1's end; a short slant, flicks left. — hook (はね)
4. Starts below stroke 3; straight down, a small loop, then out to the right. — stop (とめ)

Watch for: The diagonal (stroke 2) runs down to near the bottom, as long as the diagonal of た, and crowds the loop. **Fix:** End stroke 2 a little below the horizontal center line, as in the model, leaving room for the loop.

なつ · natsu · summer

おなか · onaka · stomach; belly

なな · nana · seven

Trace, copy, then cover the model and write from memory.

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