

- Dictate the whole sentence at normal speed
- Ask the pupil to repeat the sentence
- Dictate the sentence again, at a slower speed. If it is too long for the pupil to remember in one go, split it into phrases
- The pupil says the sentence again
- The pupil writes the sentence, saying it aloud as she / he writes
- The pupil reads aloud exactly what has been written and makes any corrections noticed
- Do not tell the pupil what should have been written. Direct the pupil to self-discovery of mistakes, by using expressions such as, "what punctuation do you need here?"
- Attention should be paid to punctuation as well as spelling
- When the sentences have been completed the pupil should mark his /
 her answers using the dictation strip to check the sentence
- It is useful to check that the pupil understands the meaning of the sentence