

ASL fingerspelling alphabet

Letter	Handshape
A	Closed fist with the thumb resting straight up along the side of the index finger.
B	Flat hand, four fingers straight up and together, thumb folded across the palm.
C	Fingers and thumb curved together to form a C shape, seen from the side.
D	Index finger straight up; the other fingertips touch the thumb to form a circle.
E	Fingertips bent down to rest on the thumb, which is tucked across the palm.
F	Thumb and index finger touch in a circle; the other three fingers stand up and spread.
G	Index finger and thumb point sideways, parallel, the other fingers closed; palm faces you.
H	Index and middle fingers extended together pointing sideways, thumb tucked.
I	Little finger straight up, other fingers in a fist with the thumb across them.
J	Make an I, then trace a J in the air with the little finger. (moving letter)
K	Index up, middle finger angled forward, thumb touching the middle of the middle finger.
L	Index finger up and thumb out to the side, forming an L.
M	Thumb tucked under the first three fingers, which fold over it.
N	Thumb tucked under the first two fingers, which fold over it.
O	All fingertips touch the thumb to form an O.
P	Like K, but pointing downward.
Q	Like G, but pointing downward.
R	Index and middle fingers crossed, pointing up.
S	Closed fist with the thumb wrapped across the front of the fingers.
T	Thumb tucked between the index and middle fingers of a fist.
U	Index and middle fingers straight up together.
V	Index and middle fingers up and spread in a V.
W	Index, middle and ring fingers up and spread; thumb holds the little finger.
X	Index finger raised and bent into a hook; other fingers in a fist.
Y	Thumb and little finger extended; other fingers closed.
Z	Index finger traces a Z in the air. (moving letter)

Learn the exact shapes from Deaf signers or video.