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#### LESSON - 21

### **MEDIAL SEMICIRCLE (W)**

It was already explained in Lesson-5 that the consonant 'w' is written with an initially hooked straight upstroke and also represented by an abbreviated form of right semi-circle > initially before 'k', 'g', 'm' 'r' 'R'. Initial right semi-circle > represents the single consonantal sound of 'w' only.

In this lesson, writing the 'w' medially is being explained. The sound 'w' when occurred medially in a word is represented by left semi-circle < or right semi-circle > , as per the rules explained below:

- (a) A left semi-circle is used to represent 'w' + any dot vowel occured in the middle of a word i.e. 'wah', 'wā', 'wē', or their corresponding short sounds; as shown in the table below:
- (b) A right semi-circle is used to represent 'w' + any dash vowel occurs in the middle of a word i.e. 'waw', 'wō', 'wōō' or their corresponding short sounds; as shown in the table below:

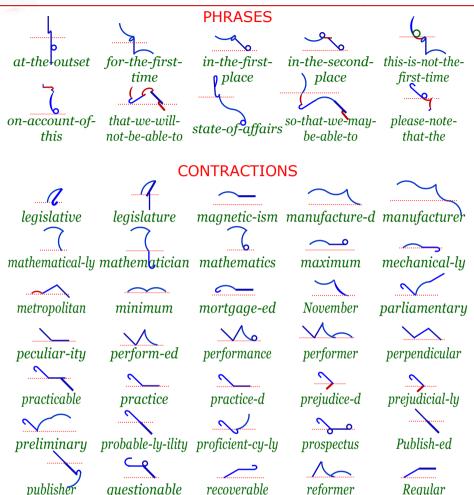
The following table explains the use of semi-circles, with examples.

Le	eft sei	mi-circle = `w'	+ dot vowel	Right semi-circle = 'w' + dash vowel			
Pla- ce	Sign	Value of semi-circle	Example	Pla- ce	Sign	Value of semi-circle	Example
1 <sup>st</sup>	<u>.</u>		boudoir ear-wax	1 <sup>st</sup>			caterwaul twaddle
2 <sup>nd</sup>	·	w + ā or ĕ	assuage )c	2 <sup>nd</sup>	>_	w + ō or ŭ	misquote- or tion mugwump
3 <sup>rd</sup>		w + ē or ĭ	tweak twig	3 <sup>rd</sup>			worm- wood touchwood

The medial semi-circle is also used in words like quality qualify.



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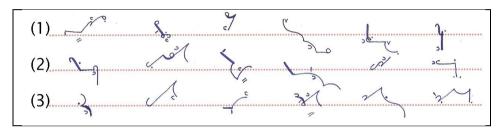
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#### **EXERCISE - 24**

Write outlines for the following words, verify them with the 'key', and practise them at least three lines each.

1)	abettoir	twelve	Norwich	framework	ropewalk	lambswool
2)	reservoir	frequent	bewilder	bullwark	ringwork	chatwood
3)	seaworthy	therewith	qualitative	Sea-word	window	warranty

Decipher the following outlines and write correct words/phrases, verify them with the 'key' and practise them, at least three lines each.



Write the following passages in shorthand in your shorthand notebook, verify them with 'key' and practise the scripts, as many times as you can.

(1) Messrs. Wakefield Enterprizes.

Dear-Sirs,

Referring to-the order for various lines of hardware and cutlery with-which-you favoured us through our Agent, we-have forwarded all-the goods by rail today, and-now enclose here-with our invoice for-the-same. Will-you please-note-that-the price for-the dinner knives is Rupees 180 per dozen, not 160 as given in-your order? If our Agent gave you-the last named figure when-he called-upon you, it-was a mis-quotation, which-we-trust you-will overlook. We-would add that-we-have-no wish to withdraw from a quotation named by our Agent, and-if-you-are uncertain about-the matter we-shall-be-pleased to-accept your figure. But we assure-you that-this quality of knife has always-been sold at Rupees 180 per dozen. It-is-made of-the finest material, and-as you all doubt superior to what-is offered by other firms at a very high-cost. Yours-truly,



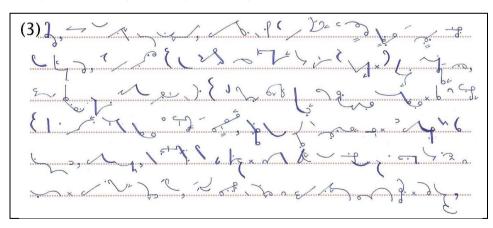
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(2) Mr. Speaker, Sir,

We-have-placed the Draft Plan before-the House for discussion. At-the-outset, I-would like to point-out that-this-was discussed in-the National Development Council. The plan for-the-first-year was, in-the-first-instance, agreed to. The rest of-it has-to-be studied further. This-is because there-was no-time to discuss-the plans with-the States earlier. So, we-could-not secure their prior agreement. It-was decided that after-the Finance Commission gave its report, we-would-be-able-to judge it better- than now. On-account-of-this, it-was decided that-the National Development Council should meet again in November in order to take a final decision. But, in-the-meanwhile, the basic objectives were approved by the Council. Now, the States will-be asked with regard to-their plans. Their views will be ready before the Council meets next.

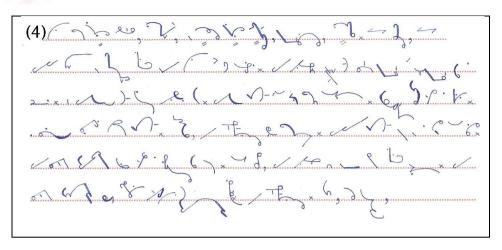
I-think-there-are certain features in-this-Plan which-shouldbe mentioned by-me. It-will enable honourable Members to-give their suggestions. We-shall certainly take them into deliberation.

Transcribe and write the following script into longhand, verify with 'key', correct it and practise the script, as many times, as you can.





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Take required no. of print outs of this page and practise all the outlines as given in this lesson and Exercise-24 as directed.