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## LESSON 3

### The Last Six Letters of the Alphabet

The letters u, v, x, y, and z are formed by adding dots 3 and 6 to the first five letters of the alphabet a, b, c, d, and e. This a fun fact, but the letter w is not in the French alphabet, remember Louis Braille is French. The Letter w is formed by adding dot 6 to the letter j.

**MEMORIZE** the following letters by their dot numbers and configurations.

u ⠠

v ⠠

w ⠠

x ⠠

y ⠠

z ⠠

## PRACTICE

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**Introduction of the braille symbols for the following punctuation.** (These braille symbols will be introduced in Lesson 3 Homework.s)

Period . (dots 256) ⠠⠠

Comma , (dot 2) ⠠⠠

Apostrophe ' (dot 3) ⠠⠠

## Numbers

There are no special braille symbols for cardinal numbers. Instead, the numbers 1 through 0 are expressed by the letters a through j preceded by the numeric indicator, dots 3456 (⠠⠨).

1 ⠠⠨

2 ⠠⠩

3 ⠠⠪

4 ⠠⠫

5 ⠠⠬

6 ⠠⠭

7 ⠠⠮

8 ⠠⠯

9 ⠠⠰

10 ⠠⠠⠨