

Words	Phonics	Rules and Conventions	Affixes and Roots	Word Origins	Grammar
Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell: VC words CVC words with short vowels CVC words with long vowels words with adjacent consonants words with consonant digraphs and some vowel digraphs/trigraphs alternative spellings for vowel phonemes e.g /ai/, /ay/, /a-e/ new consonant spellings 'ph' and 'wh' e.g. dolphin, alphabet, which, wheel, words ending in — y e.g. very, happy, funny	Children should be taught to spell: • words ending 'ff', 'll', 'ss', 'zz' and 'ck' (Usually after a short vowel letter in short words) • the /ng/ sound spelt n before k • words ending in 'tch' (/ch/ sound after a short vowel is usually 'tch') • plurals of nouns adding - s and -es to words • verbs where no change is needed to the root word: • adding endings -ing, -ed, -er • adjectives where no change is needed to the root word: • adding endings -ing, -ed, -er • adjectives where no change is needed to the root word: • adding -er and -est	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the addition of the prefix un-		



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Year Two	Children should be taught to spell: • common exception words (CEW) • high frequency words (HFW) - the first 200 from Letters and Sounds (pg 195)	Children should be taught to spell: • homophones and near homophones e.g. there/their/they're, hear/here, see/ sea • words with alternative pronunciations from Letters and Sounds Phase 5	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the /i/ sound spelt as 'ge' and 'dge' (end of words) and 'g' (elsewhere in words) • words with the /s/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' • words ending -le, -el, -al and - il • adding -ies to nouns and verbs ending in 'y' • adding -ed, -ing, -er, -est to a root word ending in 'y' with a consonant before it • adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -y to words ending in 'e' with a consonant before it • adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words of one syllable ending in a single letter after a short vowel	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly • words ending in -tion	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the /n/ sound spelt 'kn' and (less often) 'gn' at the beginning of words • words with the /r/ sound spelt 'wr' at the beginning of words	Children should be taught to spell: • words with contractions e.g. can't, didn't • words using the possessive apostrophe (singular nouns) e.g. the man's, Claire's

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Year Three	Children should be taught to spell: • words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 3 and 4 (pg 64)	Children should be taught to spell: • the /i/ sound spelt 'y' elsewhere than at the end of words e.g. myth, pyramid, gym • words with the /ai/ sound spelt 'ei', 'eigh', or 'ey' e.g. vein, eight	Children should be taught: Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable • The /I/ sound spelt y elsewhere than at the end of words. • The /n/ sound spelt ou • young, touch, double, trouble, country • Words with the /k/ sound spelt ch (Greek in origin) • Words with the /ʃ/ sound spelt ch (mostly French in origin) • Words with the /s/ sound spelt sc (Latin in origin) • Words with the /s/ sound spelt sc (Latin in origin) • Words with the /eɪ/ sound spelt ei, eigh, or ey • Homophones and near-homophones	Children should be taught to spell: adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable words using prefixes: un-, dis-, mis-, in-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, auto- words using suffix-es: -ly, - ation, -ous words with end-ings sounding /shun/: -tion, - sion, words ending with the schwa sound: measure, creature	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the /sh/ sound spelt 'ch' (mostly French in origin) e.g. chef, machine • words ending with the /g/ sound spelt - gue and the /k/ sound spelt - que (French in origin) e.g. league, unique • begin to spell words with the /s/ sound spelt 'sc' (Latin in origin) e.g. science, scene	Children should be taught to spell: • Possessive apostrophe with plural words e.g. girls' boys' babies'



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Year Five	Children should be taught to spell: • words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 5 and 6 (pg 71)	Children should be taught to spell: • words containing the letter-string 'ough' e.g. bought, rough, cough, through, although, thorough, plough • homophones and other words that are often confused e.g. practise/practice, advise/advice, past/passed	Children should be taught to spell: Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c Words containing the letter-string ough Homophones and other words that are often confused advice/advise device/devise licence/license practice/practise prophecy/prophesy	Children should be taught to spell: • Endings which sound like /ʃəs/ spelt –cious or – tious • Endings which sound like /ʃəl/ • words with the ending /shus/ spelt -cious or - tious • words with the ending /shul/ spelt -cial or -tial • words with the endings -ant, - ance/-ancy, -ent, - ence/-ency • words ending in - able and -ible • words ending in - ably and -ibly	Children should be taught to spell: • words with silent letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciatio n of the word) e.g. doubt, island, lamb	Children should be taught to spell: • words using a hyphen to link a prefix to a root word e.g. coordinate, reiterate, co-own



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Year Six	Children should be taught to spell: • words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 5 and 6 (pg 71)	Children should be taught to spell: • words containing the letter-string 'ough' e.g. bought, rough, cough, through, although, thorough, plough	Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c Words containing the letter-string ough Homophones and other words that are often confused farther: further father: a male parent guessed: past tense of the verb guess guest: visitor heard: past tense of the verb hear herd: a group of animals led: past tense of that verb, or else the metal which is very heavy (as heavy as lead)	Children should be taught to spell: • Endings which sound like /ʃəs/ spelt –cious or – tious • Endings which sound like /ʃəl/ • words with the ending /shus/ spelt -cious or - tious • words with the ending /shul/ spelt -cial or -tial • words with the endings -ant, - ance/-ancy, -ent, - ence/-ency • words ending in - able and -ible • words ending in - ably and -ibly • adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in - fer (The 'r' is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added. The 'r' is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed)	Children should be taught to spell: • words with silent letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciatio n of the word) e.g. solemn, thistle, knight	Children should be taught to spell: • words using a hyphen to link a prefix to a root word e.g. coordinate, reiterate, co-own



	morning: before noon mourning: grieving for someone who has died past: noun or adjective referring to a previous time (e.g. In the past) or preposition or adverb showing place (e.g. he walked past me) passed: past tense of the verb 'pass' (e.g. I passed him in the road) precede: go in front of or before proceed: go on, principal: adjective – most important (e.g. principal ballerina) noun – important person (e.g. principal of a college)		
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