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## SPEBLONG <br> Teachers' Notes - Year 5

## Rationale

## Research findings

Learning to spell is a complex business and educationalists are often divided on how best to teach children to spell. However, recent research indicates that children don't learn spellings by simply using rote visual memory. Instead, their ability to spell is dependent on their growing understanding of spoken and written word structure. It is crucial that these word structures and spelling patterns are taught to children, rather than sending a list of words home on a Monday to be learnt and tested on a Friday. Some children learn to spell using this method, but many don't. Children who struggle with their spellings will never succeed if they are constantly tested in this manner.

You want us to do a spelling test? Isn't there software for that sort of thing?

## Common spelling patterns



There are, of course, many exceptions and irregularities in the way we spell words, but written English is based on a phonetic alphabet and most words follow common spelling patterns. Research shows that it is important to group together words with common spelling patterns and allow the children the time to practise these spellings.

At HeadStart, we have structured the spelling scheme so that appropriate time is given to practise the spelling patterns. Studies also suggest that young readers need to see a word between ten and fifteen times before they learn it. If this is the case with reading, then it makes sense to suggest that in order to spell a word there must be some degree of repetition.

## Meaningful and purposeful activities

Although repetition is important, simply copying a word a number of times will not, on its own, help children to recall the spellings. The practice needs to be more meaningful and enjoyable for children if they are going to memorise the spellings in the long term.

The activities provided by the HeadStart Spelling Scheme allow the children to practise the words in a meaningful and exciting way. Many of the activities have a game element to them, so the children will not regard them as copying exercises, and most of the activities make the important link of putting the word into context. The nature of the activities becomes increasingly challenging as the children get older and is appropriate for each age level.

## Long-term memory

Introducing one spelling pattern per week and then moving onto another the week after, with little chance to practise in between, will not allow the children time to assimilate the words into their long-term memory. Reading and writing the words, which are embedded in sentences or presented in a game format, over a four-week period, will provide greater support for learning than words presented in a list with one spelling pattern per week.

At HeadStart, we have presented the spellings in groups of four to six spelling patterns a week, which are then repeated over a four-week period. This technique has a much better chance of leading to long-term memory than just encountering the word or the pattern once and not returning to it.


## Transferring spelling skills to daily writing

Teachers often observe that children do not use the spellings they have been given to learn (sometimes successfully for a test) in their independent writing. Therefore, at HeadStart, we have built into our scheme as many opportunities as possible for the children to use the spellings in sentences or short stories of their own.

Although there are some testing procedures incorporated into this scheme, the emphasis is on direct teaching and on spelling activities, which the children will enjoy far more than learning lists of words. The illustrations will further add to the children's enjoyment and spelling will become an enjoyable activity for all involved - including the teachers!

## User Guide

## Week 1

1 Introduce the spelling patterns from Set 1 which the children are going to learn for the next four weeks.

2 Allow the children time to complete the Practice Sheet for that week. (All the Practice Sheets are clearly labelled.)

3 Encourage the children to mark and correct their own work.
4 The children make a note of any tricky spellings in the space provided (in Spud's thought bubble).

5 Later in the week, give the children the Activity Sheets designed for Week 1. There are two Activity Sheets to complete per week, so it is suggested that two
 sessions are set aside for this activity. (Activity Sheets are clearly labelled.)

6 Go through the answers as a class, again encouraging the children to correct any mistakes.

## Week 2

1 Remind the children of the spelling patterns they are working on.
2 Play a spelling game with the children using Set 1's spelling patterns (see Spelling Games and Grids).

3 As above. Give the children the Practice Sheet and the Activity Sheets to complete in class.

## Weeks 3 and 4

1 Repeat the structure above used for Week 2.
2 At the end of Week 4, assess the children's progress by administering the test for Set 1 (see Teachers'Scripts).

3 Children should transfer any spellings they got wrong (or words they found tricky) to a blank Practice Sheet (at the end of this book) for reinforcement purposes.

Repeat the process for Set 2 and Set 3 spellings.
At the end of each term, administer the End-of-Term Test.
At the end of the year, administer the End-of-Year Tests.


On the next page is a suggested timetable for delivering the spelling scheme.

## YEAR 5 SUGGESTED TIMETABLE

|  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Week 1 | Introduce <br> the spelling <br> patterns for <br> Set 1 | Children <br> complete the <br> Practice Sheet | Children <br> complete the <br> first Activity <br> Sheet (Week 1) | Children <br> complete <br> the second <br> Activity Sheet <br> (Week 1) | ( |



## More information about the scheme

## Practice sheets

At the heart of the scheme are the Practice Sheets. They are presented in a format very similar to the 'look, cover, write, check' method with which most teachers will be familiar. We suggest the children write the spellings twice as they look at and study the word, before covering up the word and attempting to spell it independently.

After checking the spelling, they then write the word a second time. When they have completed both attempts at spelling the words, they can write their score in the appropriate box at the bottom of the page and complete their self-assessment.


Any misspelt words, or spellings that the children found tricky, need to be written in Spud's thought bubble at the bottom of the page.


It is important that any spelling patterns that are problematic for the children are not overlooked and forgotten, but are revisited, putting time aside for further practice. A blank Practice Sheet has been included for this purpose. Also included is a poster (with spelling hints) that can be laminated and used to cover up the words, though, of course, any book or piece of paper will suffice. Versions of the poster are included at the back of this book and in colour on the CD-ROM.

The 'exception words'for KS1 and the word lists for KS2 have been added on a weekly basis, introducing them one or two at a time, rather than in blocks.


## Activity sheets

There are eight Activity Sheets for each set of spelling patterns. (One set lasts four weeks.) Included are a variety of different activities for the children to complete which get increasingly challenging as they progress through the school. The children will be asked to place the words in context or to write their own sentences containing the words. Many of the activities have a game element to them, so the children will have fun completing them.

By progressing through the Activity Sheets, the children will come across the spelling patterns numerous times, helping to embed the spellings into their long-term memory. All the words introduced in the Practice Sheets are included in the Activity Sheets as well as other words with the same spelling pattern.

It is intended that two sheets are introduced per week though this, of course, is entirely at the discretion and professional judgement of the teacher. They could be completed during a lesson or, if time is short, they could be given as a homework exercise. It is recommended, however, that these Activity Sheets are used in conjunction with direct teaching activities planned by the teacher and are not used to replace direct teaching of spellings.

The laminated poster, referred to previously, can also be used for some of the activities the children will be required to do.

Say the word slowly and listen to what you hear.

Practise the word until it is fixed in your memory.
$\mathbf{U}_{\text {se your knowledge of spelling }}$ rules and spelling patterns.

Does it look right when you write it down?


## Differentiation

From Year 2 onwards, there is a set of spellings that include'extension' words for the more able spellers in the class. These 'extension' words follow the same spelling patterns as the words introduced in that particular set. (The 'extension' words are clearly identified against a shaded background.) For the most able children, teachers may want to consider the themed spelling lists found at the back of the book. A number of themed spelling lists have been included for Year 1 and these have been added to, year by year, with increasingly complex words and ageappropriate themes.

For the less able children, who are struggling to learn the spellings for their age group, teachers should consider giving them spellings from an earlier age group. The blank Practice Sheet can be used for this purpose.

## Spelling games

In the back of the book are a number of spelling games that teachers may like to play with their class. These games not only give the children the opportunity to encounter the spelling patterns in a different context, but also have the added advantage of presenting the words in a fun format. Children, for whom practising spelling patterns feels like a chore, will be far more engaged in the learning process if the spellings are presented as a game.

## Assessment for learning



## Spelling tests

As stated in the introduction, constant testing does not, on its own, help children learn the spellings. Therefore, there are no weekly spelling tests included in this scheme. It is essential, however, that teachers have a good knowledge of how the children are progressing. For this reason, there are three termly tests to be administered at the end of each term which test the children on the spellings learnt for that term only.

Also included is a choice of two End-of-Year Tests which test the children on a variety of spelling patterns that have been introduced throughout the course of the year. Should teachers wish to test the children on a more frequent basis, also provided is an Answer Sheet that can be used at the end of each set (every four weeks).

For the End-of-Term and the End-of-Year Tests, teachers' scripts and pupils' answer sheets have been included. If teachers wish to test the children on a four-weekly basis (at the end of each set), there are tests which can be used for this purpose along with an Answer Sheet for the children.

## Marking and administration of tests

It is suggested that teachers look at the National Curriculum guidance for administering the Spelling Tests and follow the guidance notes. HeadStart Teachers' Scripts are designed just like the Standards and Testing Agency and the notes for administering the Spelling Tests apply in all cases.

The twenty-word Spelling Tests should take approximately 15 minutes to complete, though it is not strictly timed and it is up to the professional judgement of the teacher to decide on the exact timing and the number of times the words are repeated.

In the National Curriculum tests, the scores for the Spelling Tests are incorporated within the whole grammar and punctuation test and an overall level is given. However, as there is a need for teachers to know how their pupils are progressing, incorporated within this scheme is a table which can be used to identify pupil progress.

| Score out of 20 | Stage | Expectation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0-4 | Emerging | Below average range |
| 5-9 | Developing |  |
| 10-12 | Progressing | Average range |
| 13-15 | Secure |  |
| 16-18 | Mastering | Above average range |
| 19-20 | Exceeding |  |

This data should always be used in conjunction with the ongoing assessment and professional judgement of the teacher.

## Self-marking and peer marking

At HeadStart, we believe that, unless the children take responsibility for their own learning, they will continue to repeat the same mistakes. Therefore, we strongly recommend that children are taught and encouraged to self-mark. It is up to the professional judgement of the teacher, but there is no requirement for teachers to mark the Practice and Activity Sheets. The only way that children are going to improve their spellings is if they recognise, understand and correct their errors themselves. Self-marking will give them this opportunity. Some schools may have a buddy system or have a policy for peer marking which can also be very beneficial for learning spellings.


At the back of the book, there is a Spelling Test Record Sheet that can be used to record all End-of-Set, End-of-Term and End-of-Year Spelling Test scores.

## Using the CD-ROM

The CD-ROM follows the structure of the book and contains all the photocopiable pages, both in full colour for displaying on an interactive whiteboard and in black and white for copying and printing.

The Practice Sheets have been designed in landscape format and the Activity Sheets have been designed in portrait format.

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Spelling Overview

| Statutory requirements | Term 1 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SET 1 | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 |
| Endings that sound like /Jos/ spelt -cious | vicious | precious | delicious | suspicious |
| Endings that sound like /Jos/ spelt -tious | ambitious | cautious | fictitious | nutritious |
| Endings which sound like /Jəl/ spelt -cial | social | special | official | artificial |
|  | crucial | facial | racial | antisocial |
| Endings which sound like /Jol/ spelt -tial | partial | martial | confidential | essential |
|  | initial | spatial | palatial | credential |
| Extension | malicious | infectious | spacious | atrocious |
|  | unofficial | superficial | residential | substantial |
| Word list | according | aggressive | attached | average |
|  | achieve | ancient | available | awkward |
| SET 2 | Week 5 | Week 6 | Week 7 | Week 8 |
| Words ending in -ant | distant | elegant | important | ignorant |
| Words ending in -ance | distance | elegance | importance | ignorance |
| Words ending in -ant | tolerant | relevant | reluctant | dominant |
| Words ending in -ance | tolerance | relevance | reluctance | dominance |
| Words ending in -ent | innocent | intelligent | different | confident |
| Words ending in -ence | innocence | intelligence | difference | confidence |
| Extension | radiance | fragrance | disturbance | inheritance |
|  | insistence | residence | violence | obedience |
| Word list | bargain | community | determined | dictionary |
|  | bruise | competition | develop | disastrous |
| SET 3 | Week 9 | Week 10 | Week 11 | Week 12 |
| Words ending in -able or -ably | reliable | understandable | reasonable | comfortable |
|  | reliably | understandably | reasonably | comfortably |
|  | excitable | agreeable | useable | likeable |
| Words ending in -ible or -ibly | possible | horrible | terrible | incredible |
|  | possibly | horribly | terribly | incredibly |
|  | visible | convertible | responsible | sensible |
| Extension | laughable | respectable | unbelievable | irritable |
|  | gullible | collectible | reversible | accessible |
| Word list | equipment | excellent | explanation | forty |
|  | especially | existence | familiar | government |

Spelling Overview

| Statutory requirements | Term 2 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SET 1 | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 |
| Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer | refer | transfer | prefer | confer |
|  | referring | transferring | preferring | conferring |
|  | referred | transferred | preferred | conferred |
|  | reference | transference | preference | conference |
| Use of the hyphen with prefix co- | co-ordinate | co-author | co-own | co-operate |
| Use of the hyphen with prefix re- | re-examine | re-enter | re-elect | re-escape |
| Extension | referee | differ | suffer | pilfer |
|  | referral | differed | suffered | pilfered |
| Word list | identity | individual | lightning | muscle |
|  | immediate | language | leisure | necessary |
| SET 2 | Week 5 | Week 6 | Week 7 | Week 8 |
| Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ie | field | chief | grief | mischief |
|  | fierce | pierce | achieve | believe |
| Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c | ceiling | receive | deceit | receipt |
| (Exceptions to the $\mathbf{i}$ before $\mathbf{e}$ except after crule) | species | fancies | sufficient | efficient |
|  | society | ancient | science | glacier |
| Exceptions to the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c | protein | caffeine | seize | either |
| Extension | perceive | receiver | deceive | deceitful |
|  | diesel | hygiene | retrieve | siege |
| Word list | neighbour | occupy | opportunity | physical |
|  | nuisance | occur | parliament | profession |
| SET 3 | Week 9 | Week 10 | Week 11 | Week 12 |
| Words containing the letter-string ough | ought | bought | thought | fought |
|  | nought | brought | thoughtful | sought |
|  | rough | tough | enough | cough |
|  | though | although | dough | doughnut |
|  | thorough | borough | trough | through |
|  | plough | bough | drought | overwrought |
| Extension | roughest | toughest | ploughman | thoroughly |
|  | fraught | distraught | slaughter | mistaught |
| Word list | programme | recognise | rhyme | shoulder |
|  | queue | restaurant | secretary | signature |


| Statutory requirements | Term 3 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SET 1 | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 |
| Words with "silent" letters: silent $\mathbf{k}$ | knew | knight | knot | knuckle |
| silent w <br> silent $\mathbf{b}$ <br> silent t <br> silent $h$ <br> silent s | wrestle | wrinkle | answer | wreck |
|  | bomb | climb | thumb | crumb |
|  | fasten | listen | thistle | whistle |
|  | honest | hour | ghost | exhaust |
|  | island | aisle | debris | isle |
| Extension | plumber | succumb | doubt | doubtful |
|  | honour | heir | rhinoceros | rhombus |
| Word list | sincere | stomach | symbol | twelfth |
|  | soldier | suggest | system | vegetable |
| SET 2 | Week 5 | Week 6 | Week 7 | Week 8 |
| Homophones and near-homophones | farther | led | desert | past |
|  | father | lead | dessert | passed |
|  | band | baron | flaw | currant |
|  | banned | barren | floor | current |
|  | heard | bridal | steal | foul |
|  | herd | bridle | steel | fowl |
|  | aloud | cereal | bored | pause |
|  | allowed | serial | board | paws |
| Extension | guessed | morning | draft | cymbal |
|  | guest | mourning | draught | symbol |
|  | Week 9 | Week 10 | Week 11 | Week 12 |
|  | Revision | Test |  |  |

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| Practice Sheet <br> Term 2 Set 1 Week 3 |  | Date |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Spelling patterns adding suffixes to words ending in -fer, use of hyphens with p |  |  |  |  |  |
| extension, <br> Should we re-elect as captain? | I preferred it when I was captain. |  |  |  |  |
| Spellings | Write | Write | Cover and write | Cover and |  |
| prefer |  |  |  |  |  |
| preferring |  |  |  |  |  |
| preferred |  |  |  |  |  |
| preference |  |  |  |  |  |
| co-OWn |  |  |  |  |  |
| re-elect |  |  |  |  |  |
| suffer |  |  |  |  |  |
| suffered |  |  |  |  |  |
| lightning |  |  |  |  |  |
| leisure |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Practice Sheet |
| :--- |
| Term 3 Set 2 Week 7 | Spelling patterns homophones and near-homophones, extension



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Term 1 Set 1 Week 1
The words below have a sh sound in the middle, but they are spelt very differently. Put the following words into groups of the same spelling pattern.
ambitious suspicious social partial special martial precious cautious confidential delicious fictitious official artificial nutritious essential vicious

Collect words that end in -cious.

Collect words that end in -tious.

Collect words that end in -cial.

Collect words that end in -tial.

Complete the sentences below using the words above.


Term 1 Set 1 Week 1
Complete the words below with the appropriate spelling pattern.
 these words.
 ambi............ cau. ficti............ nutri infec............ scrump

| cru........... | fa.......... | ini........... | spa........... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ra........... | SO | pala.......... | creden... |
| spe........... | offi............ | par......... | mar.......... |

## Complete the sentences below using the words above.

Please take $\qquad$


Term 1 Set 1 Week 2
The children in my class have written some sentences, but they have made some spelling mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the correct spellings above.

The vishus dog chased the postman down the street.
The man was acting in a very suspishus manner.
All the characters in the drama are fictishus.


The customs offishal searched the passenger's baggage.
It is essenshal for a teacher to have patience and understanding.
The football manager was ruthless and ambishus.
The teenager was in a very antisoshal mood.
Don't show this to anyone; it is confidenshal information.
Now use these same words to write sentences of your own.

Term 1 Set 1 Week 2

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.

 according achieve aggressive ancient attached available average awkward

Something belonging to the distant past is


Term 1 Set 1 Week 3
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences.

| according | achieve aggressive ancient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| attached | available average awkward |



We have been learning all about the Greeks.

We need these name labels to all our bags.

Term 1 Set 1 Week 3
Use the words below to complete the sentences.
crucial delicious cautious martial essential official confidential suspicious nutritious artificial


The match on Sunday morning will be if we are going to win the league.

Be what
you say to him; I'm of his motives.


Term 1 Set 1 Week 4
Match the words in the box to the dictionary definitions.


| initial <br> fictitious | credential | partial | racial |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | | palatial |
| ---: |
| artificial |

a qualification, achievement, quality, or aspect of a person's background, especially when used to indicate their suitability for something
made or produced by human beings rather than occurring naturally, especially as a copy of something natural
existing or occurring at the beginning
relating to race
not real or true; imaginary or fabricated
of or affecting the face
resembling a palace in being spacious and splendid
existing only in part; incomplete

## Complete the sentences using the words above.

Did you know it takes 17
muscles to smile, but 42 to frown.


> Can you tell an from a genuine one?

Term 1 Set 1 Week 4

## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 1.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
vicious precious delicious suspicious ambitious cautious fictitious nutritious social special official artificial crucial facial racial antisocial partial martial confidential essential initial spatial palatial credential according achieve aggressive ancient attached available average awkward

Term 1 Set 2 Week 5

## Complete the words below with the appropriate spelling pattern.



## Add -ance to complete these words.



Add -ent to complete these words.

Add -ence to complete these words.


Complete the sentences below using the words above.


Term 1 Set 2 Week 5
The children in my class have written some sentences, but they have made some spelling mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the correct spellings above.

We felt relieved when we saw a light in the distence.
Even though he did it, he said he was innosent of the crime.
The more you study, the more you realise your ignorence.
We all have differant opinions on the matter.
I have complete confidance in your abilities.
The teacher is very tolerent of the boy's behaviour.


I don't understand the relevence of what you've just told me.
The actress wore an elegent dress to the awards ceremony.
Now use these same words to write sentences of your own.

Term 1 Set 2 Week 6

## Use the words below to complete the sentences.

reluctant important ignorance confident difference distance intelligence radiant innocent elegant


Term 1 Set 2 Week 6

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.


bargain bruise community competition determined develop dictionary disastrous

A book with the meanings of words is a When you've made a decision not to change your mind, you are

A group of people living in the same place can be called a


When you buy something much cheaper than expected, you say it is a

> A ..................... is an activity when
you try to gain or win something.

means causing great damage.
usually means to grow or to get better at something.

An injury that causes discolouring to the skin is called a

Term 1 Set 2 Week 7
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences.

| bargain | bruise | community competition |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| determined | develop | dictionary disastrous |



I'm
I'm going to win the art

The kick I received on my shin is going to into a nasty


As a rule, I enjoy looking up words in the
 team fought back to level the match.

Term 1 Set 2 Week 7

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.

| tolerant relevant |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| fragrant | violent | resident | rebedience |
| ignorance |  |  |  |
| confidence |  |  |  |

willingness to comply with an order or request
willing to accept feelings, habits, or beliefs that are different from your own
using or involving physical force intended to hurt or damage someone or something
a person who lives somewhere permanently or on a long-term basis
closely connected or appropriate to what is being done or considered
having power and influence over others
having a pleasant or sweet smell
unwillingness or disinclination to do something
Complete the sentences using two of the words above.

> Did you know that ........................ of the law cannot be used as an excuse?

But ignorance and ...................
is all you need for success.

Term 1 Set 2 Week 8

## Spud's Spelling Search

Find as many words as possible from Set 2.
You may use a list to help you.

| $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{Z}$ | $\mathbf{Y}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{X}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{G}$ | $\mathbf{G}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{B}$ |
| $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{U}$ | $\mathbf{U}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ |
| $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{U}$ | $\mathbf{V}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{W}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{G}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ |
| $\mathbf{P}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{G}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ |
| $\mathbf{P}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{P}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ |
| $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{P}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ |
| $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{G}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{F}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ |
| $\mathbf{Y}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{Y}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{G}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ |
| $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{J}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{Y}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ |
| $\mathbf{K}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{Q}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{U}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{J}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{P}$ |
| $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{P}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{W}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ |
| $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{F}$ | $\mathbf{F}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{T}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{S}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ |
| $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{I}$ | $\mathbf{F}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{P}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{Q}$ |
| $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{V}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{L}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | $\mathbf{R}$ | $\mathbf{K}$ | $\mathbf{Q}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{Q}$ |

There are $\mathbf{2 0}$ words from Set $\mathbf{2}$ to find. They are set out horizontally, vertically and diagonally. To make it harder, some words read backwards. Write the words as you find them on the lines below.

Term 1 Set 2 Week 8

## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 2.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
distant elegant important ignorant tolerance relevance reluctance dominance radiant fragrant innocent intelligent different confidence violence obedience bargain bruise community competition determined develop dictionary disastrous

## Activity Sheet

Term 1 Set 3 Week 9

## Put the following words into groups of the same spelling pattern.

horribly excitable visible reliably terribly incredible agreeable convertible usable sensible understandably likeable reasonably comfortably possibly responsibly
Collect words that
end in -able.

Collect words that end in -ably.

Collect words that end in -ible.

Collect words that end in -ibly.

Complete the sentences below using the words above.


Term 1 Set 3 Week 9

## Complete the words below with the appropriate spelling pattern.



## Add -ably to complete these words.



Add -ible to complete these words.
vis
respons
gull.
Complete the sentences below using the words above.


## Activity Sheet

Term 1 Set 3 Week 10
When adding -able, -ably, -ible or -ibly you sometimes need to change the root word slightly. Words ending in $y$ change to $i$, and words ending in $e$ often drop the final $e$. But be careful: there are exceptions!


Change the following nouns to adjectives by adding -able or -ible.
excite
use
collect
like
comfort
sense
excitable
rely
understand
response
reason
reverse
agree
Now use some of these words to write sentences of your own.

## Term 1 Set 3 Week 10

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.

Something that is extremely good is

Four times ten equals

An
is the necessary items for a purpose. is a clear description of something.

equipment especially excellent existence explanation familiar forty government

Something we know very well is


Term 1 Set 3 Week 11
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences. equipment especially excellent existence explanation familiar forty government


> The climbing instructor is going to give us an of how to use the climbing


My dad says the don't know what they're doing.

Heat and light are necessary for our

## Activity Sheet

## Term 1 Set 3 Week 11

Use the words below to complete the sentences.
irritable possible unbelievable sensible convertible comfortable terrible visible responsible horrible

Is it to
find a $\qquad$
chair in this school?

The bruises I got in football are hardly

That's a
excuse and completely

I have a cold which is making me feel very

When I'm a famous footballer, I'm going to have a $\qquad$

My school report said I was a and child.

## Term 1 Set 3 Week 12

## Spud's Spelling Search

Find as many words as possible from Set 3.
You may use a list to help you.

| S | X | E | A | 0 | S | U | G | Y | 0 | R | M | C | E |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| F | D | Q | P | G | A | N | L | H | F | F | 0 | N | L | C |
| G | B | U | 0 | P | R | D | E | M | B | M | 0 | B | B | 0 |
| S | $\checkmark$ | 1 | S | M | M | E | 0 | Y | F |  | A | N | A | U |
| E | 1 | P | S | H | D | R | E | 0 | T |  | E | E | T | D |
| L | N | M | 1 | X | P | S | R | A | L | R | S | B |  |  |
| B | C | E | B | Y |  | T | N | E | B | P | 0 | C | C |  |
| I | R | N | L | M | A | A | R | Z | E | L | Q | F | X | E |
| S | E | T | Y | B | L | N | V | C | M | X |  | K | E |  |
| S | D | K | L |  | X | D |  | E | L | B | A | S | U |  |
| 0 | I | Y | X | R | E | A | S | 0 | N | A | B | L | Y |  |
| P | B | E | K | E | L | B | 1 | T | R | E | V | N | 0 | C |
| S | L | M | L | L | Y | L | B |  | R | R | 0 | H | E | X |
| E | Y | Q | Y | A | P | Y | L |  | K | E | A | B | L | E |
| R | T | N | E | M | N | R | E | V | 0 | G | W | P | L |  |

There are 18 words from Set $\mathbf{3}$ to find. They are set out horizontally, vertically and diagonally. To make it harder, some words read backwards. Write the words as you find them on the lines below.

## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 3.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
excitable agreeable usable likeable convertible visible incredible sensible understandably reasonably comfortably reliably possibly responsibly horribly terribly equipment especially excellent existence explanation familiar forty government

## HeadStart ${ }^{\circ}$ <br> Primary



Term 2 Set 1 Week 1
When adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer, the $r$ is doubled if the -fer is stressed, but the $r$ is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed.

When adding these suffixes, the -fer is stressed, so the $r$ needs to be doubled.

When adding these suffixes, the -fer is not stressed, so the $r$ does not need to be doubled.

| refer $+\mathbf{r}+$ ing | referring | offer + ing | offering |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| refer $+\mathbf{r}+$ ed |  | offer + ed |  |
| refer $+\mathbf{r}+\mathrm{al}$ |  | suffer + ing |  |
| transfer $+\mathbf{r}+$ ing |  | suffer + ed |  |
| transfer $+\mathbf{r}+$ ed |  | differ + ed |  |
| transfer $+\mathbf{r}+\mathrm{al}$ |  | refer + ee |  |
| prefer $+\mathbf{r}+$ ing |  | refer + ence |  |
| prefer + r + ed |  | transfer + ence |  |
| confer + r + ing |  | prefer + ence |  |
| confer + $\mathbf{r}+$ ed |  | confer + ence |  |

Complete the sentences below using the words above. I ......................... it when we could help each other.

I know. I
to help people, but Miss said no was allowed.

The children in my class have written some sentences, but they have made some spelling mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the correct spellings above.

The referree blew the whistle at the end of the match.
The striker was transfered for a record-breaking sum.
Our teacher went to an education conferrence yesterday.
I prefered the chicken nuggets. What was your preferrence?
A dictionary is an excellent referrence book.
Even though our answers differred, we both got good marks.
There was no confering allowed in the general knowledge quiz.
I'm transfering all this data onto a bar chart.
The team sufferred a terrible defeat on Saturday.
Now use these same words to write sentences of your own.

Term 2 Set 1 Week 2
Complete the words in the sentences below with the appropriate suffix.
Words which have the -fer stressed will need the $\mathbf{r}$ doubling.
-ing -ed -ence -al -ee

The headteacher made a refer $\qquad$ to the charity race during morning assembly.

I transfer $\qquad$ my music files from my laptop to my mobile phone. The young man offer to carry the lady's bags.
I needed a refer $\qquad$ from the doctor before I could see a consultant.

The Prime Minister will hold a press confer tomorrow.

She has always prefer. $\qquad$ working on her own.
The refer $\qquad$ is confer $\qquad$ with the linesman before making his decision.

It is important for the transfer $\qquad$ of knowledge to go from one generation to the next.
The teacher was suffer $\qquad$ from a bad headache.

Complete the sentences below using the words above.
I.......................... our old centre forward.



## Activity Sheet

Term 2 Set 1 Week 2

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.

 | $\begin{array}{l}\text { identity } \\ \text { limmediate } \\ \text { lightning } \\ \text { leisure }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { individual } \\ \text { muscle }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { language } \\ \text { necessary }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |

A synonym for is single or separate.

Fibrous tissue in the body that produces movement is called
is free time when you are not working.

If something is done at once it is
is the method of human communication.


Something that needs to be done is
is the natural electrical discharge between the sky and the ground. who or what a person is.

Term 2 Set 1 Week 3
Hyphens can be used to join a prefix to a root word, especially if the prefix ends in a vowel letter and the root word also begins with a vowel.

Add co- to the words below. The prefix comeans together.

.writer
 attach

Add re- to the words below. The prefix remeans again.


Use the words above to write sentences of your own.

Term 2 Set 1 Week 3
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences.


## My teacher thinks it is learn more than one



I'm wearing a mask to conceal my true


I spend all my
time looking after animals.

Term 2 Set 1 Week 4
Use the words below to complete the sentences.
co-ordinate co-operate co-owners co-authors
re-enter re-examine re-election re-escaped


Term 2 Set 1 Week 4

## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 1.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
referred reference transferring transferred preferred preference conferring conference co-ordinate co-operate co-own co-author re-enter re-examine re-elect re-escape identity immediate individual language lightning leisure muscle necessary

Term 2 Set 2 Week 5
Sometimes the /i:/(ee) sound is spelt ie. Sometimes after c, the ee sound is spelt ei, but there are exceptions to this rule.

| field | ceiling | chief | glacier | receive | seize |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| fancies | mischief | deceit | pierce | sufficient | efficient |
| either | achieve | believe | protein | receipt | species |
| caffeine | society | ancient | science | grief | fierce |


species

$\qquad$
Collect words spelt 'ei'
e.g. seize

Collect words spelt 'ei' e.g. seize
ceiling
$g$ e.g. ceiling

Collect words spelt 'cei'
.......
seize
seize

Complete the sentences below using the words above.


## Complete the sentences by putting the correctly spelt words from the brackets in the space provided.

The is too wet to play on. (feild/field)
You will the package by the end of the week.
(receive/recieve)
The little boy got into when he was left on his own. (mischeif/mischief)
She won't .................... anything unless she studies harder. (achieve/acheive)
of us is allowed to have it. (neither/niether)
I think that girl is too young to have her ears
(pierced/peirced)
I can't ...................... you actually said that. (beleive/believe)
Make sure that you keep the (reciept/receipt)
Eggs are a good source of (protein/protien)
His wife was overcome with (greif/grief)

You must every opportunity that comes your way. (sieze/seize)

His concern is making sure he gets seconds of pudding. (cheif/chief)

## Complete the sentences below using the words above.

 I didn't newsletter. Did you?

Term 2 Set 2 Week 6
The children in my class have written some sentences, but they have made some spelling mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the correct spellings above.

A feirce battle was fought between the two armies.
That was a very decietful thing to do.
We have a sceince test in the morning.
Did you try to decieve me on purpose?
He was tall enough to touch the cieling.


The white rhino is an endangered speceis.
Did you recieve my birthday invitation?
It is so small it cannot be percieved by the naked eye.

Now use these same words to write sentences of your own.

Term 2 Set 2 Week 6

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.


is anything relating to the body rather than the mind.

> A synonym for ........................ is to happen.

## Activity Sheet

Term 2 Set 2 Week 7
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences.
neighbours nuisance occupy occur
opportunity parliament physical profession


I knew I had to take the first to join the teaching

My noisy next-door are a complete

Good ideas often ................ to me.
 condition.

Term 2 Set 2 Week 7
Use the words below to complete the sentences.
field ceiling fierce species grief
either caffeine receipt mischief pierced


| The Great White is a |
| :---: |
| particularly .................. |
| $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . .$of shark. |
| (فe) |

My mum says I can have my ears ................. in the


Term 2 Set 2 Week 8
Complete this crossword with no clues. All the words are from the Set 2 spellings. A few letters have been put in already to get you started.

field chief grief mischief fierce pierce achieve believe ceiling receive deceit receipt protein caffeine seize either


Term 2 Set 2 Week 8

## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 2.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!

| field | chief | grief | mischief | fierce | pierce |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| achieve | believe | ceiling | receive | deceit | receipt |
| protein | caffeine | seize | either | species | fancies |
| sufficient | efficient | society | ancient | science |  |
| glacier | neighbour | nuisance | occupy | occur |  |
| opportunity | parliament | physical | profession |  |  |

Term 2 Set 3 Week 9
All the words below contain the letter string ough. It is one of the trickiest spellings in English because it can be used to spell a number of different sounds.

b
br
n
th
f.
th
S.
alth $\qquad$
d
.........................nut
dr
th
Complete the sentences below using the words above.


Term 2 Set 3 Week 9
We can pronounce the spelling pattern ough in at least eight different ways. See if you can group the words according to the sounds they make.
nought although brought dough thought bough tough enough bought sought thorough trough fought drought throughout hiccough

Match these words with the words below, according to the sounds they make.
ought (like aw in saw)
though (like oingo)
rough (like uff in suffer)
plough (like ow in flower)
cough (like off in offer)
through (like 00 in too)
borough (like a in above)
The last one sounds like up as in cup
(Hiccough and hiccup are both accepted spellings.)
Complete the sentences below using the words above.


The children in my class have written some sentences, but they have made some spelling mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the correct spellings above.

He is not as tuff as he seems.
I asked her because I thawt she would know.
Yeast makes the doe rise.
We made a thora search for the missing scissors.
The coff medicine tasted horrible.
The squirrel ran along the bow of the oak tree.


He pushed his way threw to the front of the queue.
I didn't have enuff time to finish the exercise.

Now use these same words to write sentences of your own.

Term 2 Set 3 Week 10

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.

 programme queue recognise
rhyme sestaurant
shetary shoulder
signature

The upper part of the body to which the arms are attached is the

A word that has the same sound as another is a

To is to identify someone from having seen them before.

A person employed in an office to assist with correspondence is a

A is a planned
-: series of events or performances.


A person's name written in a distinctive manner is a

> A line of people waiting for their turn is a

A is a place where people go to have meals cooked for them.

Term 2 Set 3 Week 11
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences.

| programme | queue | recognise | restaurant |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| rhyme | secretary | shoulder | signature |



What's your favourite television

Have you forged your mother's on this sick note?

nor
reason for what he did.

My mum says I have a chip on my

Term 2 Set 3 Week 11
The ough words in the box are the past tense of verbs.
bought brought fought thought sought

The past tense of bring is
The past tense of fight is
The past tense of buy is
The past tense of seek is
The past tense of think is

## Use the words above to write

 sentences of your own.

Make the ough words in the box into compound words.
dough plough bought wrought rough cough

Place the appropriate ough word to make a compound word.


| .horse | man |
| :---: | :---: |
| . shod | ...........neck |
| .nut | ....boy |
| . -iron | over..... |
|  | shop.... |

Term 2 Set 3 Week 12
Complete this crossword with no clues. All the words are from the Set 3 spellings. A few letters have been put in already to get you started.
ought nought bought brought thought fought sought rough tough enough cough though dough thorough borough trough plough bough drought wrought


## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 3.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
ought nought bought brought thought thoughtful fought sought rough tough enough cough though although dough doughnut thorough borough trough through plough bough drought overwrought programme queue recognise restaurant rhyme secretary shoulder signature

## HeadStart ${ }^{\circ}$ <br> Primary



Term 3 Set 1 Week 1

## Put the following words with silent letters into groups of the same spelling pattern.

wreck climb island honest wrinkle knew isle bomb fasten hour listen knight knock knuckle ghost debris thumb crumb aisle thistle exhaust answer wrestle sword


I'm collecting words with a silent w.


The children in my class have written some sentences, but they have made some spelling mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the correct spellings above.

The boy couldn't undo the not in his shoelaces.
The teacher didn't expect me to no the anser to the question.
The caretaker will have to clime onto the roof to get the ball.


Why will nobody lissen to my ideas for a change?
I'm being onest, but nobody will believe me.
I wanted to sit on an ial seat.
Spud got out because the gate hadn't been fasened.
At the end of the art lesson, it looked like a bom had hit the classroom.
After the cross-country race, we were completely exausted.

## Now use these same words to write sentences of your own.

Term 3 Set 1 Week 2
Use the spellings below to complete the sentences.



After that two-mile run, I feel a total


Term 3 Set 1 Week 2

## Match the words in the box to the children's definitions.

The

| sincere <br> symbol | soldier <br> system | stomach <br> twelfth | suggest <br> vegetable |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

A is a thing that represents or stands for something.

A plant that is used for food is called a

If you have genuine feelings then you are

The ordinal number after eleventh is

> An organised scheme or method can be called $a$

To something is to put forward an idea.



## Activity Sheet

Term 3 Set 1 Week 3
Use the spellings below to make up sentences that the characters might say.

| sincere | soldier | stomach | suggest |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| symbol | system | twelfth | vegetable |



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Term 3 Set 1 Week 3

## Use the words in the box to complete the sentences that the children have started.



| knuckles | crumb | wrestle | climb |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| wrinkles | hour | debris | thumb |

The teacher doesn't like it when

The girl went to the pond, and

First, we had a thumb war, then

The mountaineer

My dad ironed out
$\qquad$
Get your bag packed, because
$\qquad$
The street cleaners will collect the

I accidentally hit my

Term 3 Set 1 Week 4

## Spud's Spelling Search

Find as many words as possible from Set 1.
You may use a list to help you.

| D | M | T | U | T | B | X | R | H | 0 | E | Y | X | 0 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R | W | R | S | M | S | E | O | L | N | R | 1 | 1 | C | B |  |
| 0 | 0 | E | 1 | U | 1 | U | H | 0 | N | E | S | T | M |  |  |
| w | F | L | N | D | A | N | G | J | P | C | T | 0 | P |  |  |
| S | C | X | L | K | T | H | G | G | K | N | B | S | Y |  |  |
| S | T | 0 | M | A | C | H | X | N | E | 1 | V | M | M |  |  |
| K | S | C | B | K | 0 | S | 1 | E | T | S | B | T | K |  |  |
| N | N | R | C | S | C | G | T | H | Z | 0 | T | W |  |  |  |
| E | W | U | T | U | H | E | 1 | E | L | T | S | E | R |  |  |
| T | R | M | C | T | M | S | R | 1 | P | R | G | L | T |  |  |
| S | 1 | B | S | K | T | R | E | W | S | N | A | F | 0 |  |  |
| 1 | N | L | R | L | L | H | 0 | U | R | L | W | T | N |  |  |
| L | K | E | E | H | M | E | T | S | Y | S | A | H | K |  |  |
| E | L | 5 | 1 | A | T | H | U | M | B | U | Y | N | V |  |  |
|  | E | G | E | T | A | B | L | E | S | K | J | X |  |  |  |

There are 32 words from Set $\mathbf{1}$ to find. They are set out horizontally, vertically and diagonally. To make it harder, some words read backwards. Write the words as you find them on the lines below.

Term 3 Set 1 Week 4

## Below is a list of words you have been learning from Set 1.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
knew knight knot knuckle wreck wrinkle answer sword bomb climb thumb crumb fasten listen thistle wrestle honest hour ghost exhaust island aisle debris isle sincere soldier stomach suggest symbol system twelfth vegetable

Term 3 Set 2 Week 5
Here are some homophones and near-homophones. Write the correct homophone from the brackets to complete the sentences below.


The I went across the river the deeper it got. (father/farther)


After that huge main course, I'm not sure l've got room for. (desert/dessert)

The train leaves at ten minutes nine. (past/passed)

Buddy has been
from playing
football for a week. (band/banned)

Suarez has his , but he is a great footballer nonetheless. (flaws/floors)

An electrical .................. is the flow of an electric charge. (currant/current)

Term 3 Set 2 Week 5
Use one of the pairs of homophones in the box to complete the sentences below.

| herd/heard <br> aloud/allowed | bridal/bridle | steal/steel <br> cereal/serial | foul/fowl <br> bored/board |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| pause/paws |  |  |  |

## Who's put an empty packet back in the cupboard?

The teacher reads to the class at least once a day.

Come on, ref! That was definitely a

> If they
my bag, they won't find anything in it.

I pressed the button and the music stopped.


I was so I nearly fell asleep.

I couldn't make myself above the noise.



Term 3 Set 2 Week 6
What do you think the children would say if they had to use the words in the boxes?


Term 3 Set 2 Week 6
The wrong homophones have been used in the following sentences. Write the correct homophone for each sentence.

We had to walk father to school because of the roadworks.
To do the shading, I need a pencil with a softer led.
I'm looking forward to my desert of apple pie and cream.
He past the ball back to the goalkeeper.
I thought conkers had been band in schools.
I'm going to play Barren Hardup in the school panto.
There's one serious floor to your plan.
The gingerbread man lost a current eye.
We had to walk through a heard of cows to cross the field.
The bridle dress was pink rather than the traditional white.
You must have nerves of steal to go bungee jumping.
Don't fall fowl of poor internet security.
We're not aloud in the school library during lunchtime.
The new television cereal attracted five million viewers.
The squad for the football match has been posted on the bulletin bored.

When something like that happens, it makes you paws for thought.

## Match the dictionary definition to the correct homophone.

## father/farther led/lead desert/dessert past/passed band/banned baron/barren flaw/floor currant/current

Officially, not allowed to do something
A waterless desolate area of land
A small dried fruit
Moved beyond something in a specified direction
A type of metal
An adverb to describe a greater distance
A member of the British nobility
A mark or a blemish
The sweet course to finish a meal
Describes land without any vegetation
A flat, thin loop of material
The past tense of lead
A flow of water, air or electricity
The time before the moment you are speaking of
The surface on which you walk
A man with children

## Match the dictionary definition to the correct homophone.

## heard/herd bridal/bridle steal/steel foul/fowl aloud/allowed cereal/serial bored/board pause/paws

Of or concerning a bride
A bird kept for its eggs or to eat
A drama appearing in regular instalments
A hard, strong metal
Permitted someone to have or do something
Feeling weary in one's current activity
An animal's feet
Listened to what someone had to say
To take another person's property without permission
The headgear used to control a horse
A long, thin, flat piece of wood
An unfair piece of play in sport
A large group of animals
A temporary stop to the action
A breakfast food made from grain
Describes an audible voice

Term 3 Set 2 Week 8

## Spud's Spelling Search

Find as many words as possible from Set 2.
You may use a list to help you.

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There are 32 words from Set $\mathbf{2}$ to find. They are set out horizontally, vertically and diagonally. Some words read backwards to make it harder. Write the words as you find them on the lines below.

Term 3 Set 2 Week 8

## Below, is a list of words you have been learning from Set 2.

You and your partner have ten minutes to write as many sentences as you can containing these words. You score 1 point for every sentence using one of the correctly spelt words from the list. You score 3 points if you manage to write a sentence using two of the words.
Each sentence must consist of seven words or more. Good luck!
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## HeadStart ${ }^{\square}$ <br> Primary



## Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests

## Term 1 Set 1

1 The word is vicious.
The vicious dog tried to bite me.
The word is vicious.
2 The word is cautious.
Blossom is too cautious to try anything new.
The word is cautious.
3 The word is official.
The policeman is here on official business.
The word is official.
4 The word is antisocial.
His antisocial behaviour got him into trouble.
The word is antisocial.
5 The word is crucial.
Buddy failed a couple of crucial exams.
The word is crucial.
6 The word is essential.
Sleep is essential for good health.
The word is essential.
7 The word is initial.
My initial reaction was one of horror.
The word is initial.
8 The word is palatial.
The palatial house has twelve bedrooms.
The word is palatial.
9 The word is according.
We arranged the books
according to size.
The word is according.
10 The word is attached. Bean attached the label to the bag.
The word is attached.

## Term 1 Set 2

1 The word is distant.
The explorer travelled to distant lands.
The word is distant.
2 The word is important.
Miss Seed has some important news.
The word is important.
3 The word is elegance.
They were impressed with her charm and elegance. The word is elegance.

4 The word is reluctant.
Sprout was reluctant to answer the question.
The word is reluctant.
5 The word is relevance.
He didn't understand the relevance of your question. The word is relevance.

6 The word is dominance.
The team failed to score despite their dominance.
The word is dominance.
7 The word is different. Petal looks different today. The word is different.

8 The word is intelligence.
The teacher was amazed at Blossom's intelligence. The word is intelligence.

9 The word is bargain.
Bean got his mobile for a bargain price.
The word is bargain.
10 The word is dictionary.
You must learn how to use a dictionary.
The word is dictionary.

## Term 1 Set 3

1 The word is reliable. The weather forecast is not always reliable.
The word is reliable.
2 The word is understandably. They were understandably disappointed with the result. The word is understandably.

3 The word is comfortably. Are you sitting comfortably? The word is comfortably.

4 The word is useable. Is any of this junk useable? The word is useable.

5 The word is incredible.
Miss Seed spent an incredible amount of time marking the books.
The word is incredible.
6 The word is possibly. It might possibly rain tomorrow. The word is possibly.

7 The word is terribly. Something has gone terribly wrong.
The word is terribly.
8 The word is convertible.
Miss Seed drives a red convertible sports car.
The word is convertible.
9 The word is equipment. Buddy put away all the maths equipment.
The word is equipment.
10 The word is familiar.
Twiggy wasn't familiar with that subtraction method.
The word is familiar.

## Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests

## End of Term 1 Spelling Test

1 The word is precious.
Don't waste precious time.
The word is precious.
2 The word is fictitious.
All the characters in the play are fictitious.
The word is fictitious.

3 The word is special.
Miss Seed went to a special meeting.
The word is special.
4 The word is martial.
Karate is a martial art.
The word is martial.

5 The word is aggressive.
Do violent video games make children more aggressive?
The word is aggressive.
6 The word is awkward.
Miss Seed asked an awkward question.
The word is awkward.

7 The word is ignorant.
He was ignorant of the rules.
The word is ignorant.
8 The word is tolerant.
Be tolerant of other children.
The word is tolerant.

9 The word is confident.
We are confident of victory.
The word is confident.

10 The word is innocence.
Sprout was the picture of innocence.
The word is innocence.

11 The word is community.
The club takes place in the community centre. The word is community.

12 The word is bruise.
Twiggy has a bruise on her arm.
The word is bruise.

13 The word is develop.
Exercise will develop your muscles.
The word is develop.
14 The word is reasonable.
The prices at the shop are very reasonable.
The word is reasonable.

15 The word is excitable.
Spud gets very excitable when he sees his lead. The word is excitable.

16 The word is horribly.
Everything went horribly wrong.
The word is horribly.

17 The word is sensible.
She always has sensible advice.
The word is sensible.

18 The word is excellent.
Bean had an excellent report.
The word is excellent.

19 The word is especially.
Ice cream tastes especially good on hot days.
The word is especially.
20 The word is government. People do not trust this government. The word is government.

# Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests 

## Term 2 Set 1

1 The word is referring. To which book are you referring? The word is referring.

2 The word is preferred.
I've always preferred working alone.
The word is preferred.
3 The word is reference.
Blossom wanted to look at the reference books.
The word is reference.
4 The word is transferring. I spent last night transferring my music to my new iPhone.
The word is transferring.
5 The word is co-operate.
Sprout wasn't willing to co-operate.
The word is co-operate.
6 The word is co-author.
A co-author collaborates with another writer.
The word is co-author.
7 The word is re-elect. Will you re-elect Petal to the school council?
The word is re-elect.
8 The word is identity.
Buddy was wearing a mask to conceal his identity.
The word is identity.
9 The word is muscle. Buddy pulled a muscle and couldn't compete in the race. The word is muscle.

10 The word is language.
Twiggy wants to learn a new language.
The word is language.

## Term 2 Set 2

1 The word is field. The children ran around the school field.
The word is field.
2 The word is pierce.
Use sharp scissors to pierce the fabric.
The word is pierce.
3 The word is deceit.
Don't trust people who use deceit to get what they want. The word is deceit.

4 The word is species.
Elephants are an endangered species.
The word is species.
5 The word is efficient.
This method of multiplication is more efficient than the other way.
The word is efficient.
6 The word is ancient.
The museum was full of ancient artefacts.
The word is ancient.
7 The word is seize.
Seize the opportunity when you can.
The word is seize.
8 The word is neighbour.
Bean doesn't like his next-door neighbour.
The word is neighbour.
9 The word is occur.
Didn't it occur to you to knock on the door?
The word is occur.
10 The word is profession.
Teaching English has always been his profession.
The word is profession.

## Term 2 Set 3

1 The word is ought. You ought to ask for Miss Seed's permission.
The word is ought.
2 The word is thoughtful. That was a kind and thoughtful thing to do.
The word is thoughtful.
3 The word is cough.
Please cover your mouth when you cough.
The word is cough.
4 The word is although. Sprout got ten out of ten although he hadn't revised. The word is although.

5 The word is thorough. Give your hands a thorough clean before going to lunch. The word is thorough.

6 The word is trough.
The horse trough has been filled with hay.
The word is trough.
7 The word is plough.
We watched the farmer plough his fields.
The word is plough.
8 The word is programme.
Buddy didn't know which programme to watch.
The word is programme.
9 The word is restaurant.
The cook says the school canteen is like a five-star restaurant.
The word is restaurant.
10 The word is rhyme. I want a word to rhyme with computer.
The word is rhyme.
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# Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests 

## End of Term 2 Spelling Test

1 The word is conferring.
Conferring is not allowed for this question.
The word is conferring.

2 The word is transferred.
Germs can be transferred by shaking hands.
The word is transferred.

3 The word is preference.
Blossom thinks she should be given preference over the others.
The word is preference.

4 The word is co-ordinate.
Miss Seed likes to co-ordinate her shoes with her handbag.
The word is co-ordinate.

5 The word is lightning.
The tree was struck by lightning.
The word is lightning.

6 The word is necessary.
It wasn't necessary to bring an umbrella.
The word is necessary.

7 The word is chief.
Reading is Petal's chief leisure activity.
The word is chief.

8 The word is ceiling.
Bean stared up at the ceiling.
The word is ceiling.

9 The word is sufficient.
I have not received sufficient money to book the class trip.
The word is sufficient.

10 The word is science.
The class was asked to do a science experiment. The word is science.

11 The word is caffeine.
Miss Seed prefers coffee without caffeine. The word is caffeine.

12 The word is occupy.
Twiggy took nothing to occupy her on the long journey.
The word is occupy.

13 The word is parliament.
We went to London to learn how parliament works. The word is parliament.

14 The word is bought.
Buddy bought a new football kit.
The word is bought.

15 The word is nought.
She turned the volume up from nought to ten. The word is nought.

16 The word is tough.
We were given a very tough test today.
The word is tough.

17 The word is dough.
We rolled the dough to make cookies. The word is dough.

18 The word is borough.
Our school is one of ten in the borough.
The word is borough.

19 The word is recognise.
Do you recognise this person's writing?
The word is recognise.
20 The word is shoulder. He looked back over his shoulder. The word is shoulder.

## Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests

## Term 3 Set 1

1 The word is knew.
He acted as if he knew the answer.
The word is knew.
2 The word is wrinkled.
Bean found his wrinkled T-shirt in the lost property box.
The word is wrinkled.
3 The word is thumb.
The teacher has the class under her thumb.
The word is thumb.
4 The word is wrestle.
Sprout likes to arm wrestle.
The word is wrestle.
5 The word is ghost.
Miss Seed told us a spooky ghost story.
The word is ghost.
6 The word is aisle.
Would you like a window seat or an aisle seat?
The word is aisle.
7 The word is wreck.
The old house was a wreck.
The word is wreck.
8 The word is sincere.
I owe you a sincere apology, Miss Seed.
The word is sincere.
9 The word is suggest.
I suggest you read the passage twice before attempting the questions.
The word is suggest.
10 The word is symbol. Can you tell me what this maths symbol means? The word is symbol.

## Term 3 Set 2

1 The word is farther.
Don't read farther than chapter two.
The word is farther.
2 The word is desert.
You shouldn't desert your friends.
The word is desert.
3 The word is lead.
Twiggy needed a pencil with a softer lead.
The word is lead.
4 The word is passed.
Petal passed the test with flying colours.
The word is passed.
5 The word is banned.
Playing conkers has been banned in school. The word is banned.

6 The word is barren.
The school raised money to help irrigate the barren land.
The word is barren.
7 The word is flaw.
There is just one flaw in your argument.
The word is flaw.
8 The word is current.
An electric current can generate magnetism.
The word is current.
9 The word is steal.
Why would Sprout want to steal Blossom's pen? The word is steal.

10 The word is heard.
We heard the rumour in the playground. The word is heard.

## Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests

## End of Term 3 Spelling Test

1 The word is knuckle.
You had better knuckle down to work.
The word is knuckle.

2 The word is answer.
Bean could answer all the questions in the test. The word is answer.

3 The word is climb.
The caretaker had to climb onto the roof to get Sprout's shoe.
The word is climb.

4 The word is fasten.
We have to fasten our seat belts on the coach.
The word is fasten.

5 The word is exhaust.
Running around the field will exhaust the class.
The word is exhaust.

6 The word is island.
Great Britain is an island nation.
The word is island.

7 The word is debris.
The cleaners removed the debris from the hall floor. The word is debris.

8 The word is stomach.
Is that Buddy's stomach making those growling noises?

The word is stomach.

9 The word is twelfth.
Windmills were first built in the twelfth century. The word is twelfth.

10 The word is soldier.
Twiggy's great grandad was a soldier in World War Two.

The word is soldier.

11 The word is system.
The school heating system isn't working. The word is system.

12 The word is dessert.
There's apple pie and ice cream for dessert. The word is dessert.

13 The word is currant.
There are five currant buns in a baker's shop. The word is currant.

14 The word is bridal.
The bride wore a red bridal gown. The word is bridal.

15 The word is foul.
Petal is in a foul mood today. The word is foul.

16 The word is steel.
Buddy has a grip of steel.
The word is steel.

17 The word is cereal.
We have cereal at breakfast club.
The word is cereal.

18 The word is bored.
There's too much to do at school to get bored. The word is bored.

19 The word is pause.
Take a pause at the end of each sentence.
The word is pause.

20 The word is allowed.
You're not allowed in the class during break. The word is allowed.

## Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests

## End of Year Spelling Test (1)

1 The word is delicious.
Your homemade cakes are delicious.
The word is delicious.

2 The word is social.
Dogs are very social animals.
The word is social.

3 The word is achieve.
No one can achieve anything without effort.
The word is achieve.

4 The word is importance.
Miss Seed emphasised the importance of education.
The word is importance.

5 The word is intelligent.
Spud is a most intelligent dog.
The word is intelligent.

6 The word is competition.
Petal won a prize in the spelling competition.
The word is competition.

7 The word is disastrous.
The team had a disastrous start to the season.
The word is disastrous.

8 The word is reliably.
I have been reliably informed that you copied this work.
The word is reliably.

9 The word is terrible.
Sprout tells terrible jokes.
The word is terrible.

10 The word is explanation.
Miss Seed's explanation helped us understand the concept.
The word is explanation.

11 The word is preferring.
Buddy ate all the crisps, preferring ready salted to cheese and onion.
The word is preferring.

12 The word is re-enter.
Petal's mum wants to re-enter full-time education. The word is re-enter.

13 The word is believe.
I can't believe I got such a good mark in the test. The word is believe.

14 The word is receive.
Did you receive my invitation?
The word is receive.

15 The word is physical.
The children enjoyed doing physical exercise.
The word is physical.
16 The word is thought.
Twiggy never thought she would be able to do it. The word is thought.

17 The word is rough.
Bean wrote a rough draft for his story. The word is rough.

18 The word is queue.
The queue for the canteen was very long. The word is queue.

19 The word is honest.
Buddy made an honest mistake.
The word is honest.

20 The word is aloud. Sprout has a bad habit of thinking aloud. The word is aloud.

# Teachers' Scripts for Spelling Tests 

## End of Year Spelling Test (2)

1 The word is suspicious.
They saw something suspicious on the school field. The word is suspicious.

2 The word is nutritious.
Nuts and fruit make nutritious snacks.
The word is nutritious.

3 The word is confidential.
Twiggy had some confidential information for Miss Seed.
The word is confidential.

4 The word is available.
The headteacher will be available to see you at two o'clock.
The word is available.

5 The word is relevant.
Bean asked a very relevant question.
The word is relevant.

6 The word is difference.
Can you see the difference between these two shapes?
The word is difference.

7 The word is reasonably.
Sprout was reasonably certain he got the sum right. The word is reasonably.

8 The word is responsible.
Who's responsible for making that silly noise?
The word is responsible.

9 The word is forty. Buddy's dad was forty today.
The word is forty.
10 The word is referred.
Twiggy referred to her notes when standing for the school council.
The word is referred.

11 The word is re-examine.
The guest speaker asked us to re-examine our beliefs.
The word is re-examine.

12 The word is immediate.
Not every problem has an immediate solution.
The word is immediate.

13 The word is mischief.
Bean stopped the young boy getting into mischief. The word is mischief.

14 The word is receipt.
If you don't keep your receipt, you won't get a refund.
The word is receipt.

15 The word is either.
Spud didn't want to go to either of us.
The word is either.

16 The word is nuisance.
A wasp in the classroom is a nuisance.
The word is nuisance.

17 The word is brought.
Miss Seed brought a chocolate cake to school.
The word is brought.
18 The word is though.
Sprout can play the guitar even though he hasn't had lessons.
The word is though.
19 The word is listen.
Listen carefully to the instructions.
The word is listen.

20 The word is serial.
There's a serial number on the back of the laptop. The word is serial.

## End of Term Test: Term 1

1 Don't waste
time.
2 All the characters in the play are
3 Miss Seed went to a meeting.
4 Karate is aart.
5 Do violent video games make children more ..... ?
6 Miss Seed asked an question.
7 He was of the rules.
8 Be of other children.
9 We are of victory.
10 Sprout was the picture of
11 The club takes place in thecentre.
12 Twiggy has a on her arm.
13 Exercise will your muscles.
14 The prices at the shop are very
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15 Spud gets very when he sees his lead.
16 Everything went ..... wrong.
17 She always has advice.
18 Bean had an report.
19 Ice cream tastes

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20 People do not trust this

## End of Term Test: Term 2

1 is not allowed for this question.

2 Germs can be $\qquad$ by shaking hands.

3 Blossom thinks she should be given over the others.

4 Miss Seed likes to $\qquad$ her shoes with her handbag.

5 The tree was struck by
6 It wasn't to bring an umbrella.

7 Reading is Petal's .................. leisure activity.
8 Bean stared up at the $\qquad$
9 I have not received $\qquad$ money to book the class trip.

10 The class was asked to do a $\qquad$ experiment.

11 Miss Seed prefers coffee without $\qquad$
12 Twiggy took nothing to her on the long journey.

13 We went to London to learn how works.

14 Buddy $\qquad$ a new football kit.

15 She turned the volume up from to ten.

16 We were given a very test today.

17 We rolled the to make cookies.

18 Our school is one of ten in the $\qquad$
19 Do you this person's writing?

20 He looked back over his

## End of Term Test: Term 3

1 You had better ................... down to work.
2 Bean could all the questions in the test.

3 The caretaker had to $\qquad$ onto the roof to get Sprout's shoe.

4 We have to our seat belts on the coach.

5 Running around the field will the class.

6 Great Britain is an nation.

7 The cleaners removed the from the hall floor.

8 Is that Buddy's $\qquad$ making those growling noises?

9 Windmills were first built in the century.

10 Twiggy's great grandad was a in World War Two.

11 The school heating isn't working.

12 There's apple pie and ice cream for
13 There are five $\qquad$ buns in a baker's shop.

14 The bride wore a red gown.

15 Petal is in a mood today.

16 Buddy has a grip of
17 We have ................... at breakfast club.
18 There's too much to do at school to get
19 Take a at the end of each sentence.

20 You're not in the class during break.

## End of Year Spelling Test ( 1 )

1 Your homemade cakes are
2 Dogs are very ................. animals.
3 No one can ................. anything without effort.
4 Miss Seed emphasised the $\qquad$ of education.

5 Spud is a most dog.

6 Petal won a prize in the spelling
7 The team had a start to the season.

8 I have been informed that you copied this work.

9 Sprout tells jokes.

10 Miss Seed's $\qquad$ helped us understand the concept.

and onion.11 Buddy ate all the crisps, ready-salted to cheese

12 Petal's mum wants to $\qquad$ full-time education.
13 I can't I got such a good mark in the test.
14 Did you
my invitation?15 The children enjoyed doing exercise.

16 Twiggy never $\qquad$ she would be able to do it.

17 Bean wrote a $\qquad$ draft for his story. for the canteen was very long.
19 Buddy made an mistake.

20 Sprout has a bad habit of thinking

## End of Year Spelling Test ( 2 )

1 They saw something on the school field.
2 Nuts and fruit make ..... snacks.
3 Twiggy had some information for Miss Seed.
4 The headteacher will be to see you at two o'clock.
5 Bean asked a very question.
6 Can you see the between these two shapes?
7 Sprout was certain he got the sum right.
8 Who's for making that silly noise?
9 Buddy's dad was ..... today.
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## HeadStart ${ }^{\circ}$ <br> Primary



| Year 1 <br> Animals (farm) | mouse mole otter | beetle butterfly dragonfly | nightie pants pumps |
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| bull | rabbit | fly | pyjamas |
| calf | rat | ladybird | raincoat |
| cat | shrew | moth | sandals |
| chicken | squirrel | slug | scarf |
| cow | toad | snail | shirt |
| dog | weasel | spider | shoe |
| donkey |  | wasp | shorts |
| duck | Animals (pets) | woodlouse | skirt |
| goat | $\underline{\text { Animals (pets) }}$ | worm | slippers |
| goose | budgie |  | sweatshirt |
| horse | cat | Birds | swimsuit |
| lamb | dog | - | T-shirt |
| pig | ferret | blackbird | tie |
| piglet | gerbil | crow | tights |
| sheep | goldfish | cuckoo | trousers |
|  | guinea pig | dove | trunks |
| Animals (zoo) | hamster | eagle |  |
| bear | mouse | magpie | Colours |
| camel | rabbit rat | heron owl | black |
| chimp |  | peacock | blue |
| crocodile | Sea Creatures | pigeon | brown |
| elephant | Sea Creatures | robin | bronze |
| giraffe | crab | sparrow | crimson |
| gorilla | dolphin | starling | gold |
| hippo | eel | swan | green |
| kangaroo | fish | thrush | grey |
| lion | jellyfish | woodpecker | lilac |
| monkey | lobster |  | maroon |
| panda | octopus | Clothes | olive |
| rhino | seahorse | clothes | peach |
| snake | seal | blouse | pink |
| tiger | sea lion | boots | purple |
| zebra | shark | cardigan | scarlet |
|  | squid | coat | silver |
| Animals (country) | starfish | dress | violet |
|  | turtle | dressing gown | white |
| badger <br> deer | whale | gloves <br> jacket | yellow |
| fox | Bugs | jeans | Food |
| frog | Bugs | jumper | Food |
| hare | ant | knickers | bacon |
| hedgehog | bee | leggings | beans |


| beef | lettuce | lollipop | School |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| bread | melon | muffin |  |
| bun | mushroom | peanut | assembly |
| butter | onion | popcorn | bookcase |
| cake | orange | sugar | classroom |
| cereal | pea | waffle | chair |
| cheese | pepper |  | computer |
| chicken | plum | Plants | crayons |
| chips | potato | - | desk |
| curry | raspberry | acorn | display |
| eggs | sprout | bluebell <br> bush | easel |
| fish | strawberry | bush buttercup | field |
| flour ham | swede <br> tomato | buttercup daisy | headteacher |
| hamburger | turnip | fern | laptop |
| hot dog |  | flower | lesson |
| jelly | Drinks | grass | library |
| lamb | Drinks | holly | lunchbox |
| noodle | coffee | ivy | paint |
| pancakes | coke | moss | paper |
| pasta | cola | poppy | pencil |
| pizza | ginger beer | shrub | playground |
| pork | juice | sunflower | pupil |
| pudding | lemonade | tree <br> weed | rubber |
| rice | milk | weed | shelf |
| salami | milkshake |  | teacher |
| sandwich | pop | House | whiteboard |
| sausage | soda | attic | whiteboard |
| soup | squash | backyard |  |
| toast | tea | bathroom | Time |
| turkey | water | bedroom | afternoon |
| yoghurt |  | cellar | afternoon |
| Fruit and | Snacks, Sweets and Treats | dining room | bedtime clock |
| Vegetables |  | garage | daytime |
|  | biscuit | garden | evening |
| apple | brownie | greenhouse | month |
| banana | candy | hall home | night |
| beetroot | chocolate | home <br> kitchen | today |
| blackberry | cookies | living room | tomorrow |
| carrot | crisps | loft |  |
| cherry | cupcake | loft | watch |
| cucumber | doughnut | patio | watch |
| grape | fries | porch | week |
| kale | gingerbread | shed | year |
| kiwi | ice cream | stairs | yesterday |


| Sports | lip | depressed | butcher |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ball | mouth neck | dismayed eager | carpenter cashier |
| bat | nose | excited | chef |
| bike | skin | fearful | chemist |
| cricket | teeth | frightened | chauffeur |
| football | toe | furious | dentist |
| game | tooth | gloomy | director |
| goal | tummy | grumpy | doctor |
| goalie |  | jealous | editor |
| jump | Family | kind-hearted | electrician |
| player | aunty | modest | engineer |
| pool | brother | naughty | foreman |
| race | child | proud | illustrator |
| ride | cousin | quarrelsome | jeweller |
| rounders | daddy | scared | journalist |
| rugby | daughter | stressed | judge |
| score | father | timid | lawyer |
| skate | grandchild | vain | librarian |
| ski | grandad | wary | mayor |
| swim | grandma | weary | musician |
| swimmer | grandpa |  | optician |
| team | husband | Furniture | pilot |
| tennis | mother | armchair | plumber |
| throw | mummy | bookshelf | policeman |
|  | nana | cabinet | scientist |
| Body | parent | chandelier | soldier |
| ankle | sister | couch | surgeon |
| arm | son | cushions | tutor |
| back | twin | furniture | waiter |
| belly | uncle | highchair |  |
| bone | wife | mattress pillow | Mathematics and Number |
| ear | Year 2 starts here | settee | addition |
| elbow eye | V | sideboard | addition angle |
| face | Feelings and | sofa | answer |
| feet | Emotions | stool | area |
| finger | afraid | wardrobe | billion |
| foot | angry | Jobs and | circle |
| hair | annoyed | Occupations | cylinder |
| hand | bored | Occupations | division |
| head | calm | astronaut | eight |
| heart | cheerful | author | forty |
| leg | cruel | builder | fourteen |

fraction
graph
hundred
million
minus
multiply
octagon
quarter
rectangle
sphere
square
subtract
thousand
zero

Buildings
arch
arena
building
bungalow
castle
cathedral
church
cinema
cottage
factory
garage
gymnasium
hospital
jail
kiosk
library
mansion
mosque
museum
palace
restaurant school
stadium
station
supermarket
surgery
synagogue
theatre
university
warehouse

Entertainment
admission applause audience auditorium balcony carnival cinema costume entertainer exhibition fairground festival magician music parade performer spectator stalls theatre ticket

## Boats

anchor barge
battleship buoy
canoe
cruise
dinghy
ferry
funnel
galleon
hovercraft
kayak
marine
narrowboat
nautical
naval
navigate paddle
passenger port
propeller

| raft | lightning |
| :---: | :---: |
| speedboat | shower |
| starboard | sleet |
| submarine | snowstorm |
| trawler | temperature |
| vessel | thunderstorm |
| voyage | tornado |
| yacht | tropical |
| Winter | typhoon |
| anorak |  |
| balaclava | Landform |
| cough |  |
| fleece | beach |
| freeze | brook |
| frostbite | canal |
| glacier | cavern |
| hailstone | coastline |
| iceberg | continent |
| icicle | creek |
| polar | desert |
| reindeer | equator |
| sledge | glacier |
| slippery | highland |
| sneeze | island |
| snowboard thaw | lagoon |
| toboggan | marsh |
| wintry | moorland |
| woollens | mountain |
|  | oasis |
| Weather | ocean |
|  | plateau |
| blizzard | prairie |
| blustery | ravine |
| breeze cloudy | riverbed |
| downpour | seashore |
| drizzle | stream |
| drought | summit |
| flood | swamp |
| forecast | valley |
| gale | volcano |
| humid | waterfall |

Years 3 \& 4 start here

## Knights and Castles

archer
armour baron
baroness
catapult
chivalry
crenellations
crossbow
drawbridge
dungeon
gatehouse
heraldry
jousting
keep
kingdom
knight
lance
maiden
mangonel
moat
monarch
nobility
palace
realm
reign
serf
shield
siege
sword
trebuchet
watchtower

## People

acquaintance
adolescent adult
ancestor
associate
boyfriend
character
children citizen
classmate
colleague
companion
customer
descendant
family
friend
gentleman
girlfriend
grown-up
human
individual
infant
lady
neighbour
officer
partner
people
person
population
relations
relative
resident
stranger
teenager
tenant
toddler
youngster

## Big

broad
colossal
enormous
extensive
giant
gigantic
ginormous huge
humongous
immense
jumbo
king-sized
large
mammoth
massive
mighty
mountainous
spacious
titanic
tremendous
vast
whopping

Halloween
apparition
bogeyman
broomstick
cauldron
cemetery
coffin
corpse
crypt
demon
eerie
fangs
frightening
ghastly
ghost
ghoul
gory
gravestone
grisly
gruesome
haunted
magic
midnight
moonlight
mysterious
nightmare
phantom
poltergeist
scary
skeleton
spine-chilling
spirit
spooky
supernatural
superstition
tombstone trick-or-treat vampire werewolf witch wizard zombie

Happy
amused blissful
cheerful
contented
delighted ecstatic elated exhilarated glad jolly jovial joyful jubilant merry overjoyed pleased radiant rapturous thrilled

## Countries

Afghanistan Albania
America
Angola
Argentina
Australia
Austria
Bangladesh
Bhutan
Brazil
Burma
Canada
Chile
China

| Croatia Cuba | Syria <br> Thailand | tambourine triangle | Synonyms for said (1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cyprus | Tunisia | trombone |  |
| Czech Republic | Turkey | trumpet | added |
| Denmark | Uganda | tuba | admitted |
| Egypt | Ukraine | ukulele | announced |
| Ethiopia | Uruguay | viola | answered |
| Fiji | Venezuela | violin | apologised |
| Finland | Vietnam | whistle | argued |
| France | Wales | xylophone | barked |
| Germany | Yemen |  | bawled |
| Ghana | Zambia | Shapes | bellowed |
| Great Britain | Zimbabwe | Shapes | blurted |
| Greece |  | arc | boasted |
| Guinea | Musical | circle | claimed |
| Hungary | Instruments | cone | commanded |
| Iceland | - | crescent | commented |
| India | accordion | cube | concluded |
| Iran | banjo | cuboid | continued |
| Iraq | bass | curve | declared |
| Ireland | bouzouki | cylinder | demanded |
| Israel | bugle | decagon | exclaimed |
| Italy | castanets | equilateral | explained |
| Jamaica | cello | heptagon | gasped |
| Japan | clarinet | hexagon | grumbled |
| Kenya | cornet | isosceles | guessed |
| Korea | cymbals | nonagon | howled |
| Kuwait | didgeridoo | octagon | jabbered |
| Libya | drumsticks | oval | joked |
| Netherlands | fiddle | parallelogram | laughed |
| New Zealand | flute | pentagon | lied |
| Nigeria | glockenspiel | polygon | mentioned |
| Norway | guitar | prism | moaned |
| Pakistan | harmonica | pyramid | mumbled |
| Peru | keyboard | quadrilateral | ordered |
| Poland | lute | rectangle | promised |
| Portugal | lyre | rhombus | questioned |
| Romania | mandolin | round | reminded |
| Russia | maracas | scalene | roared |
| Scotland | oboe | semicircle | screamed |
| Serbia | organ | sphere | screeched |
| Singapore | percussion | square | shouted |
| South Africa | piano | symmetry | shrieked |
| Spain | piccolo | tetrahedron | sighed |
| Sweden | saxophone | trapezium | snarled |
| Switzerland | synthesiser | triangle | sobbed |


hideous
hilarious
honourable
hospitable
humiliating idealistic illustrious
immaculate impeccable infamous inferior insignificant irresponsible jealous jubilant knowledgeable likeable loathsome luxurious magnificent majestic marvellous mediocre miniature mysterious naïve noxious nutritious obedient offensive optimistic
outrageous
passionate
pessimistic precious
prestigious quaint quarrelsome queasy quirky reliable remarkable remorseful repentant respectful responsible
repulsive sarcastic scholarly
sentimental sociable sophisticated spectacular stimulating stingy studious
substantial
superficial superior
suspicious
sympathetic tedious thrifty traumatic trivial
unconscious
unfortunate
unruly valuable vibrant vicious victorious villainous virtuous whimsical woeful wretched youthful zany zealous

## Adverbs

absentmindedly accidentally affectionately anxiously arrogantly awkwardly begrudgingly bewilderingly briskly

| brutally cautiously | quizzically reassuringly |
| :---: | :---: |
| compassionately | reliably |
| considerably daintily | reluctantly |
| defiantly | shamelessly |
| doubtfully | solemnly |
| efficiently | specifically |
| elaborately | strenuously |
| eloquently | subsequently |
| enthusiastically eventually | subtly sufficiently |
| exceptionally | supremely |
| extraordinarily | temporarily |
| ferociously | tremendously |
| fluently | unanimously |
| furiously | universally |
| generously | unnecessarily |
| genuinely | vaguely |
| graciously | valiantly |
| gratefully | voluntarily |
| grudgingly |  |
| haphazardly | Synonyms |
| harmoniously impatiently | for said (2) |
| inappropriately | acknowledged |
| inquisitively | affirmed |
| invariably | articulated |
| jauntily | asserted |
| jubilantly | assured |
| knowingly | babbled |
| knowledgeably | bragged |
| mechanically | cajoled |
| methodically | cautioned |
| obediently | concurred |
| obligingly | confessed |
| obnoxiously | confided |
| obviously | consented |
| occasionally | debated |
| ordinarily | denied |
| particularly | disclosed |
| passionately | divulged |
| persuasively | echoed |
| punctually | emphasised |
| questionably | exaggerated |
| quirkily | gurgled |


| implied | Science |
| :---: | :---: |
| implored | astronomy |
| inquired | biology |
| insisted | botany |
| instructed | chemistry |
| interjected | evolution |
| interrupted | experiment |
| jeered | genetics |
| jeered | geology |
| lamented | gravity |
| lectured | hypothesis |
| maintained | laboratory |
| murmured | magnetism |
| muttered | meteorologist |
| objected | microbiology |
|  | molecule |
| observed | observatory |
| pleaded | organism |
| pledged | palaeontology |
| proclaimed | physics |
| protested | pipette |
| queried | radiology |
| queried | seismology |
| quipped | telescope |
| quoted | thermometer |
| recited |  |
| recommended reiterated | Feelings and emotions |
| reprimanded | admiration |
| retorted | adoration |
| scoffed | agitation |
| speculated | aggressive |
| stammered | amusement |
| stipulated | anguish |
| sympathised | anxiety |
| sympathised | apprehension |
| testified | assertive |
| threatened | astonishment |
| urged | bewitched |
| uttered | calculating |
| ventured | contemptuous |
| entured | conceited |
| volunteered | defiant |
| vouched | discontented |

disillusioned emotional enamoured enthralled euphoric exasperated fascination fatalistic hostility humiliation hysterical infatuated insecure mortified neglected pensive placid quarrelsome remorseful repentant revulsion sarcastic serene tranquil vivacious wrathful

## Driving

accelerator automatic chauffeur construction
detour emergency exhaust indicator insurance licence pedestrian registration speedometer transmission transportation vehicle

## Grammar

abbreviation
acronym
antonym
apostrophe
auxiliary
colloquial
communication
ellipsis
grammatical homophone infinitive linguist metaphor palindrome paragraph parentheses parenthesis simile
subordinate superlative synonym vocabulary

Negative words
abysmal apathetic atrocious belligerent callous contradictory deplorable deprived despicable grotesque gruesome hideous horrendous insidious insipid malicious nondescript noxious
objectionable odious offensive prejudiced repellent repulsive repugnant vicious
vile vindictive

## Money

auction
bankrupt
bankruptcy bargain business collateral commodity credit currency debt deposit dividend donation economy expensive finance investment mortgage overdrawn percentage portfolio profit receipt recession treasury vault

## Spelling Games and Grids

## The importance of games to aid learning and help children with their spelling

Researchers and experienced educationalists know that if children can have fun while learning, this is the most effective tool to aid spelling in the teacher's repertoire. Learning to spell is crucial to a child's overall academic experience. However, if children struggle to learn their spellings, practising them will feel like a chore and will discourage them from trying. If learning spellings can be presented as a game, there is much more chance that the reluctant speller will want to participate and be engaged in the learning process.

Below are a number of games that teachers might want to try with their class. It is by no means a comprehensive list, but will act as a starting point. Most of the games can be adapted to accommodate all age groups. The majority of the games can be completed in five to ten minutes, though a few of the games will need more time set aside.


## Swinging Spelling Bee

A soft toy bee can be attached to a string. Children have to spell a series of words, saying each letter on each swing of the bee. Although this is more suitable for younger children, older children can also have fun doing it. It can be differentiated, not just by giving the children more challenging words, but also by increasing/shortening the length of the string and therefore slowing down/speeding up the rate of delivery.

## Stair Step Spelling

Give the children a word to spell. They have to write it in steps adding one letter each time.
e.g. stair

S
$s t$
sta
stai
stair
(Older children can be given longer words.)


## Spelling Bingo

Write twenty words on the board. Give the children a $3 \times 3$ grid. They choose nine of the words to write in the grid. Then play bingo using the words. Children can go for a line, corners or a full house. Ask the winning children to spell the words before claiming their prize. (Older children can have a $4 \times 4$ grid and a choice of thirty words.)

Grids for this game are included at the end of the book.

## Spelling Memory Game

Write 6 to 12 words on the board (depending on the age of the children) from one or more of the spelling lists. Give the children 3 minutes to try to remember them. Then cover them up and tell the children they have 3 minutes to remember as many as possible and write them down. Ask the winning children to spell the words before claiming their prize.

## Spell Against the Clock

This can be done either individually or in teams. A child comes to the board to spell as many words as possible from an appropriate spelling list (or a past spelling list) in one minute. As soon as a word has been completed, the teacher gives the child another word to spell. The winner is the person who has managed to write the most correct spellings in one minute. This game can be played over several weeks until all those who want to play have had a turn.

## Spelling Race

Write a word on the board which the children then have to write down as quickly as possible. Increase the number of times they have to write the word depending on the age of the children; anything from 6 times for younger children to 12 times for older children. The winner is the child who has completed the set number in the quickest time. (Make sure the words are legible and have been spelt correctly each time.)

## Alphabetical Order

Put a list of words on the board from an appropriate spelling list and ask the children to write them down on their whiteboards in alphabetical order. It is always more fun if you give the children a time limit. It can be differentiated using age appropriate spellings and increasing/decreasing the number of words in the list.


## Spelling Pattern Challenge

Give the children a spelling pattern which they have been learning recently. Ask them to write down on their whiteboards as many words as they can that use that spelling pattern. Give them a time limit of 3 to 4 minutes before checking to see who has written the most. Check that the words are all spelt correctly before giving out prizes, team points, etc.

## Rhyming Spelling

Rhyming is important for spelling because it can help children to understand that words which share common sounds often share common letter sequences. However, it is also interesting for the children to note that different letter sequences may also produce the same sound.

Put a word on the board and ask the children to see how many words they can write down with the same rhyme. Award one point for words with the same spelling pattern, two points for words with different spelling patterns and three points for spelling patterns that other children did not put down.

To make the game more challenging, children can be given a nursery rhyme or a favourite poem in which they have to change the rhyming words for words of their own.

## Word Train

Write a word on the board and ask the children to write as many words as they can, using the last letter of the word before as the first letter of the new word.

## e. g. pen net top pet tea ate egg gun new wet, etc.

The winner is the child who has written the most correctly spelt words. This can be differentiated by stipulating the number of letters in the words (increase the number of letters in the words for older children) or by giving the children a number of vowel digraphs that they must use.

## Mnemonics

Mnemonics is simply a way of remembering facts by using songs, rhymes, acronyms, images or phrases. For learning spellings, acronyms or phrases are often learnt.
e.g. "because" can be learnt using the acronym

## big elephants can always understand small elephants

The number of c's and s's in "necessary" can be learnt by remembering the phrase

## It is necessary for a shirt to have one collar and two sleeves

Put a tricky word on the board and ask the children to make up their own mnemonics.

## Crazy Sentence

Put a number of words or spelling patterns on the board which the children have to include in a sentence of their own. This is particularly effective when using initial digraphs or blends.

## e.g. Shall short shrews shyly shrink shredded shirts?

It doesn't matter how silly the sentence sounds, as long as it is constructed properly. Children who find this difficult could be given a dictionary to help them.

## Silly Story

Children have to write a short story including as many of the words as possible from an appropriate spelling list. Limit the number of sentences the children are allowed to write (five for younger children, up to ten for older children). The activity can be differentiated further by increasing or limiting the number of spelling list words. This activity is made more challenging by limiting the number of words they can use overall.

## Spelling Blockbusters

This game is more suitable for older children, but can be adapted for younger children. It is played just like the Blockbuster television show, but using spellings instead of trivia questions. The class needs to be divided into two teams: a red team and a blue team. The idea is for the red team to cross the board (a series of hexagonal shapes) from one side to the other, while the blue team attempts to go from top to bottom. In each hexagon there needs to be either a letter or a spelling pattern. If letters are being used, the children can be asked to spell a word starting with that letter. If spelling patterns are being used, children can give any word that contains that spelling pattern. The hexagon can be coloured in the team's colour if the word has been correctly spelt. Teams can choose hexagons from any part of the board to either extend their line or block the other team. It is recommended that each team takes it in turn and a spokesperson for each team is appointed who can give the answer/spelling after conferring with the rest of the team. Incorrect answers can be passed to the other team in order to speed the game up. Most games last between twenty minutes to half an hour, so it is a game that is best played as a treat at the end of term.

A hexagonal grid for playing the game and displaying on the whiteboard is included on the CD-ROM. Teachers need to prepare their own word/spelling lists in order to play the game.


## Spud in the Doghouse

This is a version of the old hangman game but without the inappropriate image. A picture of Spud is drawn on the board. The children have to guess the word before the kennel is built around him. Each incorrect guess results in one of the lines of the kennel being added. There are six different lines to draw which will be sufficient if the children have to guess the word from a term's worth of spellings. Apart from this change, the game is played in the traditional manner.

Another version, which could be played at Christmas time or during the winter, is to build a snowman with each incorrect guess resulting in another part of the snowman being drawn. This version will give scope for allowing more guesses by drawing additional features to the snowman (e.g. a hat or stick arms).


## A word about competition

At HeadStart, we believe that healthy competition is good for children and makes learning fun. However, the games won't be enjoyable if the same children win all the time, nor will they be fun for children who struggle to complete the activities. Please ensure that the activities and games are suitably differentiated so that all children enjoy a measure of success. If a handful of children are constantly winning, adapt the challenge so that instead of competing against each other, they compete against themselves with the objective being to beat their own score from the week/time before.



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Say the word slowly and listen to what you hear.


Practise the word until it is fixed in your memory.


Use your knowledge of spelling rules and spelling patterns.


Does it look right when you write it down?

The children have some tips to help you with your spellings.



Say the word slowly and listen to what you hear.


Practise the word until it is fixed in your memory.


Use your knowledge of spelling rules and spelling patterns. down?


