



Spelling Curriculum Map 2026-27

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 3	Review vowel digraphs/trigraphs alternatives: ai, ay, a_e, a ee, ea, e_e, e, ey igh, i_e, ie, y, i oa, ow, o_e, o, oe oo, ou, ue, ew u_e oi, oy, ow, ou	Adding vowel suffix -es - changing y to i and adding es Exploring words with 'ed' making different sounds Adding vowel suffix without changing root word. Adding vowel suffixes when doubling the consonant. Adding vowel suffixes -ed, -ing when dropping y changing to i. Year 3 words and commonly misspelt words.	Review -le, -el or -il at the end of words. Review -al at the end of words. Explore words with long vowel sounds ei, eigh, ey Explore words with short vowel sound spelt y in the middle of words. /i/ Explore words with s spelt sc. Explore words containing silent letters – kn, gn, wr, wh.	Review suffix -ly (with consonant before it). Review consonant suffixes –ment and -ness Review consonant suffixes -ful and -less Explore suffix -ally Explore the suffixes -tion, -sion and -ation	Explore the suffix -ous. Explore homophones and near homophones Review apostrophes for contraction Review apostrophes for possession Explore the prefixes re-, super- Explore the prefixes un-, dis-, mis-, in-.	Explore homophones and near homophones
	Common Exception Words Where There Breath Complete Extreme Said Surprise Could Would Should Group Continue Once Any	Common Exception Words After Because Were Beautiful Many Money Path Pretty People They Friend School Famous History	Common Exception Words Circle Island Actual Length Weight Eight Eighth February Water Everybody Busy Where Whole	Common Exception Words Actual Actually Appear Their Sentence Climb Address Arrive Mention Different	Common Exception Words Interest Often Woman Children Answer Build Fruit Thought Famous Consider Appear Disappear	Year 3 words and commonly misspelt words.
Year 4		Review different spellings of sound pronounced “er” Review different spellings of sound pronounced “air” Review sound spelt “or” Review sound spelt “a” after w, “or” after w and “ar” after w Review words with /ei/ sound	Vowel suffixes –ed, -ing Suffixes to create adjectives: -y, -er, -est Applying suffixes beginning with consonants: -ment, -less, -ful, -ness Applying suffixes -ly, -ally Apply -tion and -ation	Explore -cian Review prefixes: dis-, mis-, in-, im-, il-, ir-, anti- Explore more prefixes: sub-, inter-, super-, re-, auto- Explore suffixes -ous and -ious	Review soft g sound Explore words ending in /g/ spelt -gue Explore words ending in /g/ spelt -gue Explore words with “sh” sound, spelt ch- Explore words with “k” sound,	Common multi-syllabic words, including prefixes and suffixes. Explore apostrophes for possession Explore homophones Explore silent letters Explore unstressed vowel

			endings Explore –sion and -ssion	Explore words with endings (-sure) and (-ture)	spelt ch- Explore words with “s” sound, spelt sc	sounds
		Common Exception Words	Common Exception Words	Common Exception Words	Common Exception Words	Common Exception Words
		Early Earth Learn Any Many Heard Forward Forwards Therefore Water After Because Believe Height	There Their They’re With Were Where Children Friend Women Accident Accidentally Occasion Occasionally Position Mention Question Whole Which What	Beautiful Difficult Favourite Recent Notice Decide Enough Calendar Potatoes Various Different After Century Certain Centre	Knowledge Strange Although Though Important Library Natural Separate Breathe Naughty Caught Describe Possible Perhaps Remember Reign Straight Strength	Everybody Exercise Bicycle Business Natural Could Would Father Circle Opposite Ordinary Minute Imagine Increase Guard Guide People Regular Grammar Popular Quarter
Year 5		Review frequently misspelt words (Y2-Y4) Review plurals: adding -s, -es Review plurals: adding -ies, -ves Review suffixes with consonant letters: -ment, -less, -ful, -ly Review suffixes with vowel letters	Words that double the final consonant from Y3-Y5. Soft c- words in statutory list. Explore words with /i:/ sound spelt ei after c Word endings that sound like el Explore words ending in -cial or -tial. Explore words ending in -cially or -tially	Explore words ending with -able and -ible Explore words ending with -ably and -ibly Explore words ending with -cious and -ious Explore words ending in -ent, -ence, -ency Explore words ending in -ant, -ance, -ancy	Review commonly used and misspelt words Explore words with silent letters Explore words with ough Explore homophones and near homophones Teach words with affixes in Y3-Y5	Explore apostrophes for contraction Explore apostrophes for possession Review words with y in the middle Explore use of hyphen to create compound words Explore unstressed vowel sounds

		Common Exception Words After Because Was Which What Where Immediate Immediately Frequently There Their They're Attached	Common Exception Words Possess Possession Committee Ancient Cemetery Appreciate Medicine Believe Achieve Beautiful Symbol Children Behind Especially Would Should Could	Common Exception Words Therefore Twelfth Forty Were Favourite Father Develop Awkward Clothes Competition Occur Remember Lightning Everybody Different	Common Exception Words Friend Decide Opportunity Knowledge Government Excellent Though Although Thought Through Enough Interrupt Improve Equip Equipment Equipped	Common Exception Words Accommodate Recommend Familiar Sufficient Suggest Identity System Embarrass Determined Convenience According Dictionary Necessary Accompany Marvellous
Year 6		Review words with unexpected letters (Y2-Y4) Review suffixes with consonant letters: -ment, -less, -ful, -ly_ Review suffixes with vowel letters Words that double the consonant after a short vowel (Y5/6). Review -cial, -tial, -cially and -tially endings	Review -able, -ably, -ible and -ibly endings Review -cious, -tious endings Review -ent, -ence, -ency, -ant, -ance, -ancy endings Review -tion, -ation, -cian, -ssion endings Review -sure and -ture endings Review silent letters b, k, l, h, t	Review affixes: morphology Review affixes (Y5/Y6 words) Review words containing ough Review homophones and near homophones Review words with ei after c	SATs revision	Explore unstressed vowel sounds Review words containing rarer letter combinations Focus on etymology (Y5/Y6 words) Explore use of hyphen Explore use of apostrophes for contraction
		Common Exception Words Bruise Island Beautiful Sincere Sincerely Father Communicate Explanation Exaggerate Sacrifice Aggressive Community	Common Exception Words Available Favourite Knowledge Disastrous conscious mischievous Restaurant Existence Nuisance Disappear Possess Possession	Common Exception Words Environment Everybody Secretary Relevant Correspond Profession Programme Category Thought Though Through		Common Exception Words Different Definite Particular Interest Leisure Language Persuade Rhyme Rhythm Queue Bargain

		Apparent Harass Occupy Which With What Occasion Occasionally	Desperate Amateur Temperature Soldier Signature Foreign Guide Guarantee Muscle Vehicle	Thorough Physical Average Behind Recognise Height Neighbour Stomach Remember		Clothes Conscience Controversy Variety Exercise Correspond Criticise Peculiar Curiosity Improve Interfere Shoulder
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