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	Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell:		
	common exception words (CEW)	VC words CVC words with short	words ending 'ff', 'll', 'ss', 'zz' and 'ck' (Usually after a short vowel letter in	words with the addition of the prefix un-		
	high frequency words (HFW) - the first 100 from Letters and Sounds (pg 193)	CVC words with long vowels	short words) the /ng/ sound spelt n before k			
	compound words e.g. football, laptop, playground	words with adjacent consonants	words ending in 'tch' (/ch/ sound after a short vowel is usually 'tch')			
Year 1	Plus: days of the week numbers to 20	words with consonant digraphs and some vowel digraphs/trigraphs	plurals of nouns adding -s and -es to words			
		alternative spellings for vowel phonemes e.g /ai/, /ay/, /a-e/	verbs where no change is needed to the root word:			
		new consonant spellings 'ph' and 'wh' e.g. dolphin, alphabet, which, wheel,	 adding endings -ing, -ed, -er adjectives where no 			
		words ending in –y e.g. very, happy, funny	change is needed to the root word:			
			o adding -er and -est			



spell: common exception words (CEW) homophones and near homophones e.g. there/their/they're, hear/here, see/ sea hear/here, see/ sea homophones e.g. there/their/they're, hear/here, see/ sea (HFW) - the first 200 from Letters and Sounds (pg 195) adding -ed, -ing, -er, -est to spell: words with the /j/ sound spelt as 'ge' and 'dge' (end of words) and 'g' (elsewhere in words) words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly 'gn' at the words words with the /s/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' and -ly words ending in -tion words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly words words words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly words words words with the /s/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' and -ly words ending in -tion words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly words words words words words with the /j/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' and -ly words ending in -tion words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly words words words ending in -tion words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly words words words ending in -tion words with the suffixes - ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly words words words and -ly	could be taught to Children should be taught to spell:
homophones e.g. there/their/they're, high frequency words (HFW) - the first 200 from Letters and Sounds (pg 195) adding -ed, -ing, -er, -est to homophones e.g. there/their/they're, hear/here, see/ sea homophones e.g. there/their/they're, hear/here, see/ sea (end of words) and 'g' (elsewhere in words) words with the /s/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' words with the /s/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' of words words ending in -tion words with spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' and -ly words words ending in -tion words with spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' and -ly words words words ending in -tion words with spelt 'wr' and 'dge' (end of words) words words ending in -tion words with spelt 'wr' and 'ly words words ending in -tion	spen.
adding -ies to nouns and verbs ending in 'y' adding -ed, -ing, -er, -est to a root word ending in 'y' with a consonant before it adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -y to words ending in 'e' with a consonant before it adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words of one	with the /n/ sound n' and (less often) he beginning of words using the possessive apostrophe (singular nouns) e.g. the man's, Claire's a root



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Year 3/4	Children should be taught to spell: • words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 3 and 4 (pg 64)	Phonics Children should be taught to spell: the /i/ sound spelt 'y' elsewhere than at the end of words e.g. myth, pyramid, gym words with the /ai/ sound spelt 'ei', 'eigh', or 'ey' e.g. vein, eight words containing the /u/ sound spelt 'ou' e.g. double, trouble homophones and near homophones e.g. affect/ effect, berry/bury, fair/fare, male/mail		Children should be taught to spell: • adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable (words ending with a single consonant preceded by a short vowel double the consonant before adding 'ing') • words using prefixes: un-, dis-, mis-, in-, im-, il-, ir-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, auto- • words using suffix-es: -ly, -ation, -ous • words with end-ings sounding /shun/: -tion, -sion, -ssion, -cian	Word Origins Children should be taught to spell: Words with the /k/ sound spelt 'ch' (Greek in origin) e.g. scheme, chemist words with the /sh/ sound spelt 'ch' (mostly French in origin) e.g. chef, machine words ending with the /g/ sound spelt -gue and the /k/ sound spelt -que (French in origin) e.g. league, unique words with the /s/ sound spelt 'sc' (Latin in origin) e.g. science, scene	Children should be taught to spell: Possessive apostrophe with plural words e.g. girls' boys' babies' children's



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Year 5/6	Children should be taught to spell: • words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 5 and 6 (pg 71)	Children should be taught to spell: • words containing the letter-string 'ough' e.g. bought, rough, cough, through, although, thorough, plough • homophones and other words that are often confused e.g. practise/practice, advise/advice, past/passed	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the /ee/ sound spelt 'ei' after 'c' e.g. receive, receipt, ceiling plus exceptions protein and seize	Children should be taught to spell: • words with the ending /shus/ spelt -cious or - tious • words with the ending /shul/ spelt -cial or -tial • words with the endings - ant, -ance/-ancy, -ent, - ence/-ency • words ending in -able and -ible • words ending in -ably and -ibly • adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer (The 'r' is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added. The 'r' is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed)	Children should be taught to spell: • words with silent letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word) e.g. doubt, island, lamb	Children should be taught to spell: • words using a hyphen to link a prefix to a root word e.g. co-ordinate, reiterate, co-own