

Spelling Curriculum Year 3

Autumn Term

Week	Convention	Challenging Words (National Curriculum Word List)	Topic words / common mistakes
1 & 2	Spell words with the prefix pre- e.g. precaution, predict, preview, prefix, prepare	Revision of Y2 Common Exception Words	
3 & 4	Spell words with the prefix sub- e.g. submerge, submarine, subway, subtract, subheading	Revision of Y2 Common Exception Words	
5 & 6	Spell words with the prefix ex- e.g. exit, extend, explode, exclaim, expel	answer, build, caught, circle	
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Half term			
1 & 2	Spell two syllable words containing double consonants e.g. dinner, happy, follow, spanner, rabbit	early, earth, fruit, group,	
3 & 4	Add suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable and know when to double the final consonant e.g. -ing, -er, -en and -ed to corner, fasten, awake, forget, begin, garden, prefer, limit	heard heart, height, island	
5 & 6	Spell words where an i sound is spelt with a y in the middle of words e.g. gym, Egypt, myth, pyramid, mystery, cygnet	learn, minute, often, woman/women	
7	Assess all Term 1 Spelling Conventions	Assess all Term 1 Challenging Words	

Spring Term

Week	Convention	Challenging Words (National Curriculum Word List)	Topic words / common mistakes
1 & 2	Spell words with the ou spelling of the u sound e.g. young, touch, double, trouble, country	address, appear, arrive, breath	
3 & 4	Spell words with the prefixes in-, il-, im- and ir- e.g. inactive, incapable, incredible, inaccurate illegal, illiterate, illegible, illogical immature, impossible, impatient, impolite irregular, irrational, irresponsible, irresistible	breathe, disappear, guard, guide	
5 & 6	Spell words with the prefix dis- e.g. dislike, disagree, disappear, disobey, dishonest Spell words with the prefix mis- e.g. misbehave, mistake, mishear, misread	history, imagine, increase	
Half term			
1 & 2	Spell words with the prefix re- e.g. redo, return, rebuild, retry, reappear	important, interest, question	
3 & 4	Spell words with the prefix de- e.g. deform, decode, defuse, deflate, debug	recent, reign, remember	
5 & 6	Spell words with the prefix over- e.g. overact, overuse, overenthusiastic, overturn, overcome Assess all Term 2 Spelling Conventions	Assess all Term 2 Challenging Words	

Summer Term

Week	Convention	Challenging Words (National Curriculum Word List)	Topic words / common mistakes
1 & 2	Spell words with the prefix inter- e.g. international, interrupt, intergalactic, interject	centre, century, certain	
3 & 4	Spell words with the prefix super- e.g. superman, superstar, supernatural, superficial, superior	consider, enough, famous	
5 & 6	Spell words with the prefix anti- e.g. antibiotic, antidote, antiseptic, antihero, anticlockwise	forward(s), grammar, length	
Half term			
1 & 2	Spell words with the prefix auto- e.g. automatic, autograph, autopilot, autobiography, autofocus	notice, strange, strength	
3 & 4	Spell words with the suffix –ation e.g. variation, examination, preparation, temptation, expectation	though, although, thought, through	
5 & 6	<p>Spell words with the prefix non- e.g. non-stick, non-stop, non-fiction, nonsense</p> <p>Spell words with the prefix co- e.g. coincidence, co-operate, co-star, co-writer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Assess all Term 3 Spelling Conventions</p>	Assess all Term 3 Challenging Words	