

Spelling Curriculum Year 5

Autumn Term

Week	Convention	Challenging Words (National Curriculum Word List)	Topic words / common mistakes
1 & 2	Spell words with the suffix –ive e.g. relative, imaginative, competitive, attractive, persuasive, creative	Revision of Y4 Challenging Words	
3 & 4	Spell words with the suffix –ist e.g. pianist, journalist, artist, dentist, florist, typist	attached, average, bargain, bruise	
5 & 6	Spell words ending in –cious e.g. vicious, malicious, precious, delicious, suspicious	dictionary, familiar, foreign, forty	
Half term			
1 & 2	Spell words ending in –tious e.g. fictitious, cautious, ambitious, infectious, nutritious	identity, muscle, occupy, occur	
3 & 4	Spell words ending in –cial e.g. official, special, commercial, social, artificial	queue, rhyme, rhythm, soldier	
5 & 6	Spell words ending in -tial e.g. essential, residential, confidential, influential, partial	symbol, system, twelfth, variety	
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 ending in -ant, -ance and -ancy e.g. acquaintance, attendant, hesitant, tolerant, distant	relevant, restaurant, hindrance, nuisance	
3 & 4	Spell words ending in -ent, -ence and -ency e.g. interference, silent, innocence, confident, residence	apparent, excellent, sufficient, parliament, equip(-ped and -ment),	
5 & 6	Spell diminutives using mini-, micro-, -ette and -ling e.g. minibus, mini-beast, minimum, miniature e.g. microscope, microwave, microchip, microphone e.g. brunette, cigarette, courgette, majorette e.g. duckling, sapling, weakling, dumpling, puffling	existence, conscience, convenience,	
Half term			
1 & 2	Spell words with the prefix bi- e.g. bicep, bicycle, bisect, bilingual, biplane	according, ancient, category, conscious	
3 & 4	Spell words with the prefix trans- e.g. transmit, transfer, transport, transparent, translate, transatlantic	controversy, environment, leisure, vegetable	
5 & 6	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 im- e.g. impress, impossible, immobile, improper, impolite, impractical	achieve, available, awkward, determined	
3 & 4	Spell words with the prefix pro- e.g. proactive, project, provide, produce, proceed, propeller	develop, explanation, government, individual	
5 & 6	Spell words ending in -able and -ible e.g. adorable, forgivable, enjoyable, valuable, breakable horrible, terrible, possible, edible, invincible, reversible	interfere, interrupt, language, lightning	
Half term			
1 & 2	Spell words ending in -ably e.g. enjoyably, reliably, agreeably, enviably	necessary, sincere(ly), stomach, suggest,	
3 & 4	Spell words ending in -ibly e.g. incredibly, sensibly, possibly, legibly, horribly	temperature, thorough, vehicle, yacht	
5 & 6	Assess all Term 3 Spelling Conventions	Assess all Term 3 Challenging Words	