

Year One Spellings

Your child should be able to spell all of the following words by the end of year 1.

off, well, miss, buzz,
bank, think, honk, sunk
catch, fetch, kitchen, notch, hutch
have, live, give
cats, dogs, spends, rocks, thanks, catches
hunting, hunted, hunter, buzzing, buzzed, buzzer,
jumping, jumped, jumper
grander, grandest, fresher, freshest, quicker,
quickest
rain, wait, train, paid, afraid
day, play, say, way, stay
boy, toy, enjoy, annoy
made, came, same, take, safe
these, theme, complete
five, ride, like, time, side
home, those, woke, hope, hole
June, rule, rude, use, tube, tune
car, start, park, arm, garden
see, tree, green, meet, week
sea, dream, meat, each, read (present tense)
head, bread, meant, instead, read (past tense)
her, term, verb, person
better, under, summer, winter, sister
girl, bird, shirt, first, third
turn, hurt, church, burst, Thursday
food, pool, moon, zoo, soon
boat, coat, road, coach, goal
toe, goes
out, about, mouth, around, sound
now, how, brown, down, town
own, blow, snow, grow, show
blue, clue, true, rescue, Tuesday
new, few, grew, flew, drew, threw

lie, tie, pie, cried, tried, dried
chief, field, thief
high, night, light, bright, right
for, short, born, horse, morning
more, score, before, wore, shore
saw, draw, yawn, crawl
author, August, dinosaur, astronaut
air, fair, pair, hair, chair
dear, hear, beard, near, year
bear, pear, wear
bare, dare, care, share, scared
very, happy, funny, party, family
dolphin, alphabet, phonics, elephant
when, where, which, wheel, while
Kent, sketch, kit, skin, frisky
unhappy, undo, unload, unfair, unlock
football, playground, farmyard, bedroom,
blackberry
the, a, do, to, today, of, said, says, are,
were, was, is, his, has, I, you, your, they, be,
he, me, she, we, no, go, so, by, my, here,
there, where, love, come, some, one, once,
ask, friend, school, put, push, pull, full, house,
our

Year Two Spellings

Your child should be able to spell all of the following words by the end of year 2.

badge, edge, bridge, dodge, fudge
age, huge, change, charge, bulge, village
gem, giant, magic, giraffe, energy
jacket, jar, jog, join, adjust
race, ice, cell, city, fancy
knock, know, knee, gnat, gnaw
write, written, wrote, wrong, wrap
table, apple, bottle, little, middle
camel, tunnel, squirrel, travel, towel, tinsel
metal, pedal, capital, hospital, animal
pencil, fossil, nostril
cry, fly, dry, try, reply, July
flies, tries, replies, copies, babies, carries
copied, copier, happier, happiest, cried, replied
hiking, hiked, hiker, nicer, nicest, shiny
patting, patted, humming, hummed, dropping,
dropped, sadder, saddest, fatter, fattest, runner, runny

all, ball, call, walk, talk, always
other, mother, brother, nothing, Monday
key, donkey, monkey, chimney, valley
want, watch, wander, quantity, squash
word, work, worm, world, worth
war, warm, towards
television, treasure, usual
enjoyment, sadness, careful, playful, hopeless,
plainness (plain + ness), badly
merriment, happiness, plentiful, penniless, happily
can't, didn't, hasn't, couldn't, it's, I'll
Megan's, Ravi's, the girl's, the child's, the man's
station, fiction, motion, national, section
there/their/they're, here/hear, quite/quiet, see/
sea, bare/bear, one/won, sun/son, to/too/two,
be/bee, blue/blew, night/knight
door, floor, poor, because, find, kind, mind,
behind, child, children, wild, climb, most, only,
both, old, cold, gold, hold, told, every, every-
body, even, great, break, steak, pretty, beauti-
ful, after, fast, last, past, father, class, grass,
pass, plant, path, bath, hour, move, prove, im-
prove, sure, sugar, eye, could, should, would,
who, whole, any, many, clothes, busy, people,
water, again, half, money, Mr, Mrs, parents,
Christmas

Year Three Spellings

Your child should be able to spell all of the following words by the end of year 3.

enjoyment, sadness, careful, playful, hopeless, plainness, badly, copied, happiest, cried, hiking nicest, shiny
forgetting, forgotten, beginning, beginner, prefer, preferred
gardening, gardener, limiting, limited, limitation
myth, gym, Egypt, pyramid, mystery
young, touch, double, trouble, country
unhappy, undo, unload, unfair, unlock
dis-: disappoint, disagree, disobey
mis-: misbehave, mislead, misspell (mis + spell)
in-: inactive, incorrect
immature, immortal, impossible, impatient, imperfect
re-: redo, refresh, return, reappear, redecorate
sub-: subdivide, subheading, submarine, submerge
information, adoration, sensation, preparation, admiration
sadly, completely, usually (usual + ly), finally (final + ly), comically (comical + ly)
happily, angrily
gently, simply, humbly, nobly
basically, frantically, dramatically
measure, treasure, pleasure, enclosure
creature, furniture, picture, nature, adventure
division, invasion, confusion, decision, collision, television
invention, injection, action, hesitation, completion
expression, discussion, confession, permission, admission
expansion, extension, comprehension, tension
musician, electrician, magician, politician, mathematician
vein, weigh, eight, neighbour, they, obey
accept/except, affect/effect, ball/bawl, berry/bury, brake/break, fair/fare, grate/great, groan/grown, here/
hear, heel/heal/he'll, knot/not, mail/male, main/mane, meat/meet, medal/meddle, missed/mist, peace/piece,
plain/plane, rain/rein/reign, scene/seen, weather/whether, whose/who's

Word list – years 3 and 4

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bicycle	extreme	minute	sentence
breath	famous	natural	separate
breathe	favourite	naughty	special
build	February	notice	straight
busy/business	forward(s)	occasion(ally)	strange
calendar	fruit	often	strength
caught	grammar	opposite	suppose
centre	group	ordinary	surprise
century	guard	particular	therefore
certain	guide	peculiar	though/although
circle	heard	perhaps	thought
complete	heart	popular	through
consider	height	position	various
continue	history	possess(ion)	weight
decide	imagine	possible	woman/women
describe	increase	potatoes	
different	important	pressure	
difficult	interest	probably	
disappear	island	promise	

Year Four Spellings

Your child should be able to spell all of the following words by the end of year 4.

illegal, illegible

irregular, irrelevant, irresponsible

inter-: interact, intercity, international, interrelated (inter + related)

super-: supermarket, superman, superstar

anti-: antiseptic, anti-clockwise, antisocial

auto-: autobiography, autograph

poisonous, dangerous, mountainous, famous, various

tremendous, enormous, jealous

humorous, glamorous, vigorous

courageous, outrageous

serious, obvious, curious

hideous, spontaneous, courteous

scheme, chorus, chemist, echo, character

chef, chalet, machine, brochure

league, tongue, antique, unique

science, scene, discipline, fascinate, crescent

girls', boys', babies', children's, men's, mice's

(Note: singular proper nouns ending in an s use the 's suffix e.g. Cyprus's population)

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Year Five Spellings

Your child should be able to spell all of the following words by the end of year 5.

official, special, artificial, partial,

confidential, essential

adorable/adorably (adoration),

applicable/applicably (application), considerable/considerably (consideration), tolerable/tolerably (toleration)

changeable, noticeable, forcible, legible

farther/father

guessed/guest

heard/herd

led/lead

dependable, comfortable, understandable, reasonable, enjoyable, reliable

morning/mourning

past/passed

precede/proceed

possible/possibly, horrible/horribly, terrible/terribly, visible/visibly, incredible/incredibly, sensible/sensibly

co-ordinate, re-enter,

co-operate, co-own

aisle/isle

aloud/allowed

affect/effect

altar/alter

deceive, conceive, receive, perceive, ceiling

ought, bought, thought, nought, brought, fought

rough, tough, enough

cough

though, although, dough

through

thorough, borough

plough, bough

ascent/assent

bridal/bridle

cereal/serial

compliment/complement

Word list – years 5 and 6

accommodate	embarrass	persuade
accompany	environment	physical
according	equip (–ped, –ment)	prejudice
achieve	especially	privilege
aggressive	exaggerate	profession
amateur	excellent	programme
ancient	existence	pronunciation
apparent	explanation	queue
appreciate	familiar	recognise
attached	foreign	recommend
available	forty	relevant
average	frequently	restaurant
awkward	government	rhyme
bargain	guarantee	rhythm
bruise	harass	sacrifice
category	hindrance	secretary
cemetery	identity	shoulder
committee	immediate(ly)	signature
communicate	individual	sincere(ly)
community	interfere	soldier
competition	interrupt	stomach
conscience*	language	sufficient
conscious*	leisure	suggest
controversy	lightning	symbol
convenience	marvellous	system
correspond	mischievous	temperature
criticise (critic + ise)	muscle	thorough
curiosity	necessary	twelfth
definite	neighbour	variety
desperate	nuisance	vegetable
determined	occupy	vehicle
develop	occur	yacht
dictionary	opportunity	
disastrous	parliament	

Year Six Spellings

Your child should be able to spell all of the following words by the end of year 6.

advice/advise

device/devise

licence/license

practice/practise

prophecy/prophesy

observant, observance, (observation), expectant (expectation), hesitant, hesitancy (hesitation), tolerant, tolerance (toleration), substance (substantial)

innocent, innocence, decent, decency, frequent, frequency, confident, confidence (confidential)

assistant, assistance, obedient, obedience, independent, independence

vicious, precious, conscious, delicious, malicious, suspicious

ambitious, cautious, fictitious, infectious, nutritious

referring, referred, referral, preferring, preferred, transferring, transferred

reference, referee, preference, transference

doubt, island, lamb, solemn, thistle, knight

principal/principle

profit/prophet

stationary/stationery

steal/steel

wary/weary

who's/whose

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