



Spelling - Year 3

National Curriculum Statutory Guidance

Pupils' spelling of common words should be correct, including common exception words and other words that they have learnt (see below). Pupils should spell words as accurately as possible using their phonic knowledge and other knowledge of spelling, such as morphology and etymology. Pupils should be taught to:

- *use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them;*
- *spell further homophones;*
- *spell words that are often misspelt;*
- *place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals [for example, girls', boys'] and in words with irregular plurals [for example, children's];*
- *use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary;*
- *write from memory simple sentences, dictated by the teacher, that include words and punctuation taught so far.*

Revision of Learning from Year 2:

Pay special attention to the rules for adding suffixes. The first four weeks of the year should be spent revising spelling a range of patterns from Year 2.

Spelling at school

- **Monday:** children will be taught the spelling rule(s) for the week. They will be given 20 words that use that spelling rule(s) to practise.
- **Tuesday-Thursday:** Children may be given the word list to practise using their cursive handwriting as part of the multi-sensory approach to learning spellings. Children will be encouraged to use the spelling rules in their writing.
- **Friday:** Children will be assessed whether they are able to apply the spelling rule(s) and/or they are able to spell tricky words by being given a spelling test using 10 of words from the word list given to them on Monday, **and** a short dictation using some of the words from the list.

Home Learning

- Please support your child with learning the spelling rules, identifying the spelling patterns, finding out the meaning of unfamiliar words and putting the spellings into sentences to support them working on developing their handwriting skills.

Spelling List – Autumn 1

Learning Intention	Spelling pattern	Spelling Rules and Tips	Spellings
To spell the words with the long (e) sound represented by ea	Long (e) represented by ea	The long (e) sound is often represented by the letters ea when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'reach, r ... e ... a ... c ... h' The long (e) sound is often represented by the letters ea when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'meal, m ... e ... a ... l'	1) reach 2) teach 3) beach 4) lead 5) read 6) leaf 7) leave 8) weak 9) speak 10) heal 11) meal 12) real 13) steal 14) team 15) dream 16) stream 17) scream 18) bean 19) mean 20) clean
To spell the words with the long (e) sound represented by ea	Long (e) represented by ea	The long (e) sound is often represented by the letters ea when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'feast, f ... e ... a ... s ... t'	1) feast 2) least 3) beat 4) treat 5) heat 6) meat 7) seat 8) cheat 9) reason 10) season
To spell the words with the long (e) sound represented by ee	Long (e) represented by ee	The long (e) sound is often represented by the letters ee when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'speech, s ... p ... e ... e ... c ... h'	11) speech 12) feed 13) need 14) seed 15) weed 16) bleed 17) greed 18) speed 19) feel 20) heel
To spell the words with the long (e) sound represented by ee	Long (e) represented by ee	The long (e) sound is often represented by the letters ee when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'peel, p ... e ... e ... l'	1) peel 2) steel 3) seem 4) been 5) seen 6) screen 7) green

		The long (e) sound is often represented by the letters ee when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'sheep, s ... h ... e ... e ... p'	8) queen 9) deep 10) keep 11) sheep 12) cheep 13) creep 14) sleep 15) steep 16) sweep 17) feet 18) meet 19) sweet 20) street
To spell words with the long (e) sound	Long (e) represented by ee or ea	The long (e) sound is nearly always represented by the letters ee or ea when it comes at the end of one-syllable words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'bee, b ... e ... e'	1) bee 2) see 3) free 4) knee 5) tree 6) three 7) sea 8) tea 9) pea 10) flea 11) carry 12) pretty 13) bury 14) berry 15) busy 16) beauty 17) agree 18) coffee 19) toffee No number 20
To spell words with the long (e) sound	long (e) as y	The long (e) sound is normally represented by the letter y at the end of words of more than one syllable, like in the words below. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'carry, c ... a ... r ... r ... y'	
To spell words with the long (e) sound	long (e) as ey Long (e) as e	Some words use the letters ey to represent the long (e) sound at the end of multi-syllable words. These are all naughty red words that belong to Nina and Neil because far more words use the letter y on its own to represent the long (e) sound at the end of multi-syllable words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'key, k ... e ... y' When the long (e) sound comes at the end of a syllable within a word, it is usually represented by the letter e on its own. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'even, e ... v ... e ... n'	1) key 2) donkey 3) money 4) monkey 5) honey 6) journey 7) trolley 8) valley 9) chimney 10) turkey 11) even 12) equal 13) behind 14) begin 15) defend 16) depend 17) secret 18) lethal 19) prevent 20) depart

To spell words with the long (e) sound	ea and ea e-e words	The long (e) sound is normally represented by the letters ea when it comes at the start of words with only the one syllable. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'each, e ... a ... c ... h' The words below are some of the few words that use e-e to represent the long (e) sound. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'gene, g ... e ... n ... e'	1) each 2) eat 3) east 4) ease 5) easy 6) eagle 7) eager 8) Easter 11) gene 12) theme 13) scene 14) these 15) athlete 16) concrete 17) compete 18) complete 19) delete 20) supreme
To spell words with the letter string ease, eese or eeze	ease and others	Some words use the letter string ease, some use eese and some words use eeze. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'tease, t ... e ... a ... s ... e'	1) tease 2) increase 3) disease 4) peace 5) cheese 6) geese 7) squeeze 8) freeze 9) breeze 10) sneeze
To spell common homophones	ee or ea e or ee		11) sea 12) see 13) bee 14) be 15) bury 16) berry 17) steel 18) steal 19) meet 20) meat

Spelling List – Autumn 2

Learning Intention	Spelling pattern	Spelling Rules and Tips	Spellings
To spell words with the long (o) sound	Long (o) represented by ow	The long (o) sound is represented by the letters ow when it comes at the end of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'low, l ... o ... w' The long (o) sound is nearly always represented by the letters ow when it comes at the end of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'pillow, p ... i ... l ... l ... o ... w'	1) bow 2) low 3) row 4) blow 5) slow 6) snow 7) grow 8) throw 9) know 10) elbow 11) pillow 12) swallow 13) narrow 14) follow 15) toe 16) though 17) although 18) hello 19) dough No number 20
To spell words with the letters <i>own</i>	own words	In the letters own sometimes the letter o makes its long sound. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'own, o ... w ... n'	1) own 2) sown 3) blown 4) flown 5) grown 6) shown 7) known 8) thrown 9) sewn 11) loan 12) moan 13) groan 14) coach 15) load 16) road 17) toad 18) loaf 19) soak 20) cloak
To spell words with the long (o) sound	Long (o) represented by the letters oa	The long (o) sound is often represented by the letters oa when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'loan, l ... o ... a ... n'	1) foal 2) goal 3) boat 4) float 5) gloat 6) boast 7) coast 8) roast
To spell words with the long (o) sound	Long (o) represented by the letters oa	The long (o) sound is often represented by the letters oa when it comes in the middle of words it is made by the letters oa. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'foal, f ... o ... a ... l'	1) foal 2) goal 3) boat 4) float 5) gloat 6) boast 7) coast 8) roast

	The long (o) represented by the letters o-e	The long (o) sound is often represented using the o-e pattern when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'robe, r ... o ... b ... e'	9) toast 10) soap 11) robe 12) rode 13) joke 14) broke 15) pole 16) role 17) hole 18) whole 19) home 20) bone
To spell words with the long (o) sound	The long (o) represented by the letters o-e Other o-e words	The long (o) sound is often represented using the o-e pattern when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'lone, l ... o ... n ... e' Usually the pattern o_e is used to represent the long (o) sound. All of these words use the o-e pattern to represent other sounds. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'some, s ... o ... m ... e'	1) lone 2) throne 3) hope 4) slope 5) close 6) those 7) note 8) wrote 9) stove 10) suppose 11) some 12) come 13) done 14) gone 15) shone 16) love 17) one 18) lose 19) move 20) improve
To spell words with the long (o) sound	-old, -ost and -oll Open syllables	The long (o) sound can be represented in the middle of words in the letter strings old, ost and oll. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'cold, c ... o ... l ... d' When the long (o) sound comes at the end of a syllable within a word, it is usually represented by the letter o on its own. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'open, o ... p ... e ... n'	1) bold 2) cold 3) hold 4) sold 5) told 6) host 7) most 8) post 9) roll 10) stroll 11) open 12) over 13) robot 14) total 15) token 16) zero 17) hotel 18) poem 19) protect No number 20

To spell words with a vowel suffix or a y suffix To spell some common homophones	Drop the e + suffix	When you add a vowel suffix or the suffix y to a word that ends with the letter e, you need to drop the letter e When you add a suffix that begins with a consonant to a word that ends in the letter e, you keep the e	1) joking 2) loving 3) broken 4) sloped 5) noted 6) bony 7) closeness 8) homeless 9) hopeful 10) no 11) know 12) some 13) sum 14) one 15) won 16) hole 17) whole 18) groan 19) grown 20) road 21) rode
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Spelling List – Spring 1

Learning Intention	Spelling pattern	Spelling Rules and Tips	Spellings
To spell words with the long (i) sound	Long (i) as y Long (i) at the end of words	The long (i) sound is most often represented by the letter y when it comes at the end of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'why, w ... h ... y' Normally the long (i) sound is represented at the end of words by the letter y. These words represent the long (i) sound at the end of words in different ways. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'buy, b ... u ... y'	1) why 2) cry 3) dry 4) try 5) fry 6) sky 7) fly 8) spy 9) shy 10) apply 11) buy 12) bye 13) die 14) lie 15) tie 16) pie 17) high 18) sigh 19) thigh 20) eye
To spell words with the long (i) sound	i-e words 1	The long (i) sound is most often represented using the i-e pattern when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'tribe, t ... r ... i ... b ... e'	1) tribe 2) hide 3) side 4) wife 5) bike 6) pile 7) smile 8) rises 9) stripe 10) wipe 11) five 12) live 13) prize 14) fire 15) hire 16) price 17) describe 18) provide 19) time 20) climb
To spell words with the long (i) sound	ine words	The long (i) sound is most often represented using the i-e pattern when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'line, l ... i ... n ... e'	1) line 2) mine 3) nine 4) wine 5) fine 6) shine 7) spine

To spell words with the long (i) sound	Long (i) as y	Very few words use the letter y to represent the long (i) sound in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'type, t ... y ... p ... e'	1) type 2) tyre 3) style 4) rhyme 5) cycle 6) dynamite 7) python 8) hyphen 9) paralyse 10) analyse 11) by 12) buy 13) bye 14) die 15) dye 16) sight 17) site 18) write 19) right 20) tyre 21) tire 22) night 23) knight
To spell common homophones with the long (i) sound	Long (i) as y, uy, ie, igh, ye, i-e		
To spell words with a vowel suffix or the suffix y	Drop the e	When you add a vowel suffix or the suffix y to a word that ends with the letter e, you need to drop the letter e When you add a suffix that begins with a consonant to a word that ends in the letter e, you keep the e	1) hiding 2) piled 3) wiped 4) biker 5) finest 6) shiny 7) timeless 8) whiteness 9) retirement 11) fried 12) frying 13) cried 14) crying 15) replied 16) replying 17) drier 18) drying 19) shiest No number 20
	Change y to i	When you add a suffix to a word that ends with the letter y, you need to change the letter y to the letter i, except when adding ing	

Spelling List – Spring 2

Learning Intention	Spelling pattern	Spelling Rules and Tips	Spellings
To spell words with the long (a) sound	ay words	When the long (a) sound comes at the end of a word it is most often represented by the letters ay. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'day, d ... a ... y'	1) day 2) say 3) tray 4) pray 5) spray 6) slay 7) halfway 8) midday 9) quay
	Long (a) as ey and ei	When the long (a) sound comes at the end of a word it is normally represented by the letters ay.. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'they, t ... h ... e ... y'	10) they 11) grey 12) prey 13) obey 14) survey 15) vein 16) reign 17) weigh 18) sleigh 19) neighbour No number 20
To spell words with the long (a) sound	ai words	The long (a) sound is often represented by the letters ai when it comes in the middle of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'aim, a ... i ... m'	1) aim 2) paid 3) fail 4) jail 5) mail 6) nail 7) rail 8) sail 9) tail 10) snail 11) gain 12) main 13) pain 14) rain 15) brain 16) train 17) drain 18) plain 19) stain 20) wait
To spell words with the long (a) sound	a-e words	The long (a) sound is most often represented using the a-e pattern when it comes in the middle of words, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'spade, s ... p ... a ... d ... e'	1) spade 2) cake 3) lake 4) bake 5) snake 6) male 7) sale

			8) scale 9) came 10) game 11) name 12) same 13) blame 14) lane 15) mane 16) pane 17) plane 18) grape 19) scrape 20) shape
To spell words with the long (a) sound	a-e words	The long (a) sound is most often represented using the a-e pattern when it comes in the middle of words, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'hate, h ... a ... t ... e'	1) hate 2) gate 3) plate 4) skate 5) grate 6) cave 7) brave 8) slave 9) waste 10) taste 11) place 12) face 13) space 14) race 15) lace 16) case 17) base 18) chase 19) vase No number 20
To spell words with the sound ace	-ace and -ase	Some words use the letter string ase whereas some use the letter string ace, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'face, f ... a ... c ... e'	1) range 2) strange 3) change 4) raise 5) praise 6) blaze 7) maze 8) daze 9) always 11) acorn 12) blatant 13) bacon 14) taken 15) able 16) stable 17) basic 18) fatal 19) label No number 10 and 20
To spell words with the sound aise or ange	aise, -aze and -ange	Some words use the letter string aze whereas some use the letter string aise, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'range, r ... a ... n ... g ... e'	
To spell words with the long (a)	Open syllables	When the long (a) sound comes at the end of a syllable within a word, it is usually represented by the letter a on its own. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'acorn, a ... c ... o ... r ... n'	

To spell words with a vowel suffix or the suffix y	Drop the e	When you add a vowel suffix or the suffix y to a word that ends with the letter e, you need to drop the letter e When you add a suffix that begins with a consonant to a word that ends in the letter e, you keep the e	1) making 2) baked 3) dazed 4) scaly 5) shaker 6) tasty 7) shameful 8) braveness 9) amazement 10) ate 11) eight 12) way 13) weigh 14) great 15) grate 16) sail 17) sale 18) tale 19) tail 20) wait 21) weight 22) waist 23) waste
To spell common homophones	ay – eigh ea – a-e ai –a-e ai - eigh		

Spelling List – Summer 1

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To spell words with the long (oo) sound	-ue and – oo words Drop the e	Usually the long (oo) sound is represented by the letters ew when it comes at the end of words. The words here use the letters ue or oo to represent the long (oo) sound at the end of words. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'blue, b ... l ... u ... e' When you add a vowel suffix or the suffix y to a word that ends with the letter e, you need to drop the letter e When you add a suffix that begins with a consonant to a word that ends in the letter e, you keep the e	1) blue 2) clue 3) glue 4) true 5) too 6) zoo 7) loo 8) shampoo 9) igloo 10) flu 11) using 12) argued 13) cuter 14) hugest 15) juicy 16) clueless 17) looseness 18) rueful 19) argument - No number 20
To spell common irregular words	Irregular words	The words here represent sounds in unusual ways. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'aunt, a ... u ... n ... t'	1) aunt 2) people 3) friend 4) because 5) axe 6) until 7) during 8) cure 9) pure 10) sure 11) laugh 12) beautiful 13) hour 14) sugar 15) half 16) parents 17) island 18) listen 19) shoe 20) answer

Spelling List – Summer 2

Learning Intention	Spelling pattern	Spelling Rules and Tips	Spellings
To spell words with the (ar) sound	ar words	The sound (ar) is represented by the letters ar, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'barn, b ... a ... r ... n'	1) barn 2) shark 3) spark 4) charm 5) start 6) scarf 7) starve 8) snarl 9) heart
	war words	Normally when the letters ar come together they represent the sound (ar). However when the letters w comes before them the letters ar represent the sound (or). Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'war, w ... a ... r'	No number 10 11) war 12) ward 13) warm 14) warn 15) warp 16) wart 17) dwarf 18) swarm 19) worn 20) worry
To spell words with the (ir) sound	er words	The sound (ir) is often represented by the letters er when it comes in the middle of words, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'her, h ... e ... r'	1) fern 2) herb 3) herd 4) verb 5) kerb 6) term 7) nerve 8) serve 9) swerve 10) certain
	ir words	The sound (ir) is often represented by the letters ir when it comes in the middle or words or at the end of words, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'sir, s ... i ... r'	11) sir 12) third 13) bird 14) girl 15) firm 16) first 17) thirst 18) skirt 19) squirt 20) birth
To spell words with the (ur) sound	ur words	The sound (ur) is often represented by the letters ur when it comes in the middle or words or at the end of words, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'fur, f ... u ... r'	1) fur 2) blur 3) surf 4) curl 5) burn 6) turn 7) hurt

To spell words with the (air) sound	are words	The sound (air) is most often represented by the letters are, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'bare, b ... a ... r ... e'	8) burst 9) curve 10) church 11) bare 12) care 13) dare 14) fare 15) hare 16) rare 17) flare 18) glare 19) scare 20) mare
To spell words with the (air) sound	air words	The sound (air) is most often represented by the letters are, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'share, s ... h ... a ... r ... e' The sound (air) is less often represented by the letters air, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'air, a ... i ... r'	1) share 2) spare 3) square 4) stare 5) snare 6) compare 7) prepare 8) aware 9) beware 10) fanfare 11) air 12) fair 13) hair 14) pair 15) stair 16) flair 17) chair 18) despair 19) heir No number 20
To spell words with the (air) sound	Other spellings of (air)	All of the words below here represent the sound (air) in unusual ways. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'bear, b ... e ... a ... r'	1) bear 2) pear 3) tear 4) wear 5) swear 6) they're 7) their 8) there 9) where No number 10
To spell words with the (eer) sound	ear words	The sound (eer) is often represented by the letters ear, like in the ones here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'ear, e ... a ... r'	11) ear 12) dear 13) hear 14) near 15) clear 16) year 17) appear 18) we're 19) here No number 20

To spell words with the (eer) sound	eer and eir words	The sound (eer) is often represented by the letters eer, like in the words here. Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud as you write it e.g. 'beer, b ... e ... e ... r'	1) beer 2) deer 3) jeer 4) peer 5) cheer 6) sneer 7) steer 8) pier 9) tier
To spell common homophones	ear – ere ear – are air – are		10) here 11) hear 12) bear 13) bare 14) fair 15) fare 16) hair 17) hare 18) stare 19) stair 20) pear 21) pair 22) where 23) wear