

Year 4 Spellings Term 4 2019

Each week we will investigate, learn and practice a different spelling rule or pattern. These rules are outlined below, with some example words. These are not necessarily the words which the children will be assessed against – we will be looking for application of the rules and patterns to a wide range of words.

For many English spelling patterns and rules, there are exceptions, which need to be learnt separately. We will look at these within our spelling lessons in class. During the final week of term, we will recap the rules as needed, before completing a final dictation covering all rules learnt this year.

At home, it would be useful for children to explore the words in different ways, using the No-Nonsense strategies. For example:

- ‘look, say, cover, write, check’ strategy
- use them in sentences or within their English homework
- write the words in different ways (e.g. different colours, different fonts, forwards/backwards, pyramid writing)
 - speed writing (‘quick write’) – how many times can you correctly spell the word in 1 minute?
 - write definitions for each word / find words with similar meanings
 - create pictures, rhymes or visual clues to remember each word
 - create crossword or word-search puzzles
 - find words in the same word-family or with a connected word

| Rule learnt WB 25/02/19 | Rule learnt WB 04/03/19 | Rule learnt WB 11/03/18 | Rule learnt WB 18/03/19 | Rule learnt WB 25/03/19 | Rule learnt WB 01/04/19 |
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| Revision Revising the hot list words and learning new/revising spelling strategies from the no nonsense programme e.g. pyramid, rainbow writing, silly sentences, quick write, segmentation, drawing pictures. | Prefixes ‘anti-’ ‘anti-’ means ‘against’ or ‘opposing’ Prefix ‘inter’ – means between | Prefixes ‘inter-’ ‘inter-’ means ‘between’. | Word endings Endings that sound like /ʃən/ spelt ‘-cian’, –cian is used if the root word ends in c or cs. Electric – electrician | Word endings Endings that sound like /ʃən/ spelt ‘-sion’. -sion is used if the root word ends in d or se Extend - extension | Revision Revise all spelling rules from this term. |
| Example words: | Antibiotic Anticlockwise Antiseptic Antihistamine | Example words: International Interrupt Intercept Intervene | Example words: Musician Electrician Politician Magician | Example words: Extension Expansion Confusion Tension | |
| Example dictation sentence: | When I was ill, I needed <u>antibiotics</u> and lots of fruit. | Example dictation sentence: On Saturday, there were guards at the <u>international</u> football match. | Example dictation sentence: On TV, I watched a group of <u>politicians</u> debating current issues. | Example dictation sentence: During our grammar lesson, there was a little <u>confusion</u> . | |