



# Curriculum for Excellence Spelling Skills and Words

Primary 5



In the Sumdog spelling challenge tool, you can select any of the skills below to generate a spelling list for your class to practise. In the next few pages, you will find the list of words associated with each skill.

Split vowel sounds revision (a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e, u-e)	Compound Words 2	/ʒə/ or /tʃə/ spelled sure/ture (measure/mixture)	Adding suffixes -tion which sound like /ʒən/ (division)
ff and ph (revision)	Compound Words 3	/ʃ/ sound spelled ch (chef)	Adding suffixes -ssion endings which sound like /ʒən/ (passion)
Soft c and soft g (revision)	Compound Words 4	/g/ sound spelled -gue and the /k/ sound spelled -que (league/cheque)	Adding suffixes -cian sound like /ʒən/ (musician)
tch and wr (revision)	Tricky words with one syllable	Adding prefixes -il, im-, ir-	Adding suffixes -ous (poisonous)
-ge and -dge at the end of words (revision)	Tricky words with two syllables	Adding prefixes re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, auto-	Adding suffixes -ation (equation)
The /ɪ/sound spelled y elsewhere than at the end of words (myth)	Tricky words with three syllables	Adding prefixes de-	Adding suffixes -ically (basically)
o for /oa/ sound (mobile)	Tricky words with four syllables	Adding prefixes non-	High frequency words
Words that end in -se (cleanse)	Applying spelling rules 1	Adding suffixes -sion which sound like /ʒən/ (division)	
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Compound Words 1	Homophones and near-homophones		
	/s/ sound spelled sc (muscle)		

## Strands:

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- Strategy Spelling
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- Building Vocabulary - Topic Words

**HINT:**  
You can focus learners easily on any skill to match your classroom lesson



Spelling skills are arranged in columns, so are ordered progressively from top to bottom then left to right.

<b>Split vowel sounds revision (a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e, u-e)</b>	landscape
	lemonade
	dictate
	expose
	suppose
	handsome
	trapeze
	textile
	inflate
	scale
	oppose
	bagpipe
	surprise
	immune
	intrude
	arrive

<b>ff and ph (revision)</b>	differ
	affair
	toffee
	suffer
	coffin
	puffin
	muffle
	waffle
	sniff
	scruff
	offcut
	whiff
	ruffian
	office
	triumph
phase	
paragraph	

<b>Soft c and soft g (revision)</b>	cent
	census
	cinder
	cellar
	certain
	cement
	celebrate
	cinnamon
	circumference
	germ
	gymnastic
	geology
	geometry
	generation
	gesture
	gene
	gingerly
genius	
hydrogen	

<b>tch and wr (revision)</b>	twitcher
	kitchen
	butcher
	hatchet
	scratchy
	hatchback
	matchbox
	satchel
	ketchup
	stretcher
	wreak
	wroth
	wreath
	wrangled
	wreckage
wristwatch	

<b>-ge and -dge at the end of words (revision)</b>	smidge
	fridge
	dredge
	badger
	budget
	cement
	widget
	codger
	gadget
	midget
	splodge
	fidgety
	plunge
	challenge
	arrange
exchange	
orange	
gorge	

<b>The /i/ sound spelled y elsewhere than at the end of words (myth)</b>	gym
	myth
	sync
	mystic
	crypt
	lynx
	syrup
	crystal
	system
	abyss
	Egypt
	typical
	mystery
	pyramid
	calypso
cymbal	
symbol	
dynasty	

<b>o for /oa/ sound (mobile)</b>	mobile
	macaroni
	yoga
	bonus
	focus
	programme
	hotel
	local
	moment
	robot
	oval
	rodent
piano	
tornado	
ago	

<b>Words that end in -se (cleanse)</b>	cleanse
	cruise
	dowse
	raise
	tease
	advertise
	appraise
	mayonnaise
	turquoise
	arise
	coarse
	hoarse
	phrase
	sense
	practise

<b>Words that end in -ce (twice)</b>	twice
	spruce
	trace
	embrace
	introduce
	silence
	sentence
	novice
	stance
	trance
	service
	prince
source	
practice	

<b>Compound Words 1</b>	afterlife
	backstage
	caretaker
	daydream
	egghead
	anywhere
	ironwork
	jackpot
	keyboard
	landslide
	doormat
	software
	overboard
	sailboat
	earthworm



<b>Compound Words 2</b>	handbook
	inchworm
	skyscraper
	peanut
	newsroom
	moonstruck
	lifeguard
	keyhole
	eyesight
	forehead
	doorstop
	airmail
	upstage
	rainfall
	superhero

<b>Compound Words 3</b>	railway
	corkscrew
	dishwasher
	downstairs
	elsewhere
	sisterhood
	brotherhood
	motherhood
	raincoat
	everything
	keepsake
	cheesecake

<b>Compound Words 4</b>	lifeboat
	bathroom
	homemade
	earthquake
	flashlight
	anymore
	fingerprint
	globetrotter
	copywriter
	firefighter
	waistcoat
	timetable

<b>Tricky words with one syllable</b>	heart
	fruit
	earth
	learn
	group
	build
	height
	bring
	long
	wolf
	ace
	board
	smile
	down
	bean
	scarce
	smart
mate	
band	

<b>Tricky words with two syllables</b>	early
	yellow
	Friday
	lady
	monster
	bucket
	kindness
	power
	secret
	hero
	forest
	puppy
	welcome
	jelly
	loving
	unit
	talent
cookie	
penguin	

<b>Tricky words with three syllables</b>	abandon
	inhabit
	invalid
	establish
	volcanic
	athletic
	Atlantic
	consistent
	fantastic
	disgusted
	minimum
	investment
	basketball
	September
	November
	satisfied
	emotion
December	
anything	

<b>Tricky words with four syllables</b>	January
	experiment
	unexpected
	academic
	transatlantic
	continental
	identical
	activity
	eternity
	generator
	certificate
	disappointment
	remembering
	motorcycle
	magnificent
	diameter
	nativity
evaluate	
American	

<b>Applying spelling rules 1</b>	often
	particular
	exploited
	perhaps
	popular
	nightmare
	material
	library
	interest
	jockey
	grammar
	important
	boundary
	probably
	memory
	penalty
	passenger
brain	

<b>Applying spelling rules 2</b>	watchfulness
	cauliflower
	weightlifter
	choice
	energetic
	urgent
	criminal
	memories
	flabbergasted
	interesting
	educated
	marshmallow
	stadium
	coconut
	penny
	failure
	ugly
prom	
crossed	
monument	

<b>Homophones and near-homophones</b>	mane
	missed
	mist
	peace
	plain
	plane
	whether
	who's
	heel
	heal
	he'll
	accept
	berry
bury	
leek	
leak	

<b>/s/ sound spelled sc (muscle)</b>	descent
	muscle
	scene
	scenic
	science
	crescent
	scissors
	sceptre
	scenery
	obscene
	fascinating
	scent
	discipline
ascend	



<b>/ʒə/ or /tʃə/ spelled sure/ ture (measure/ mixture)</b>	measure
	treasure
	pleasure
	closure
	enclosure
	fissure
	leisure
	composure
	disclosure
	adventure
	culture
	capture
	lecture
	picture
	mixture
	pasture
	rapture
	vulture
	literature
	miniature
temperature	
sculpture	
signature	
<b>// sound spelled ch (chef)</b>	chef
	chic
	chalet
	chute
	sachet
	crochet
	quiche
	charade
	machine
	brochure
	moustache

<b>/g/ sound spelled -gue and the /k/ sound spelled -que (league/ cheque)</b>	league
	tongue
	fatigue
	vague
	rogue
	antique
	unique
	mosque
	cheque
	critique
colleague	
dialogue	
<b>Adding prefixes -il, im-, ir-</b>	illegal
	illogical
	illusion
	immature
	impossible
	impatient
	imperfect
	irregular
	irrelevant
	irresponsible
	immoral
	imbalance
	immortal
	irrational
	illiterate
irresistible	

<b>Adding prefixes re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, auto-</b>	redo
	refresh
	reappear
	redecorate
	subdivide
	intercity
	interrelated
	supermarket
	superman
	superstar
	antiseptic
	anticlockwise
	antisocial
	autobiography
	autograph
	antiracist
	antibody
automatic	
automobile	
autocorrect	
autoimmune	
<b>Adding prefixes de-</b>	demist
	deform
	defuse
	decamp
	defrost
	defraud
	deflate
	debug
	demote
	devolve
	descend
	derail
	depart
decrease	

<b>Adding prefixes non-</b>	non-stick
	non-iron
	non-verbal
	non-violent
	nonsense
	non-fiction
	non-drip
	non-human
	non-profit
	non-toxic
non-believer	
<b>Adding suffixes -sion which sound like /ʒən/ (division)</b>	division
	invasion
	confusion
	decision
	collision
	conclusion
	omission
	pension
	vision
	mansion
<b>Adding suffixes -tion which sound like /ʒən/ (attention)</b>	version
	tension
	erosion
	expansion
	extension
	comprehension
	fusion
	attention
	injection
	invention
completion	
foundation	
partition	
tradition	
nutrition	
collection	
connection	
satisfaction	
infection	
description	

<b>Adding suffixes -sion endings which sound like / ʒən/ (passion)</b>	passion
	percussion
	profession
	compassion
	permission
	depression
	submission
	transmission
	procession
	impression
<b>Adding suffixes -cian sound like / ʒən/ (musician)</b>	musician
	magician
	optician
	politician
	mathematician
	electrician
	dietician
technician	
beautician	
musicianship	
<b>Adding suffixes -ous (poisonous)</b>	poisonous
	dangerous
	mountainous
	famous
	nervous
	glorious
	various
	tremendous
	enormous
	jealous
	humorous
	glamorous
	vigorous
	courageous
	outrageous
serious	
obvious	
curious	
hideous	
spontaneous	
courteous	



**Adding suffixes  
-ation (equation)**

taxation  
equation  
information  
adoration  
sensation  
rotation  
donation  
vacation  
hesitation  
liberation  
preparation  
admiration  
education  
celebration

**Adding suffixes -  
ically (basically)**

basically  
physically  
mythically  
cryptically  
typically  
ethically  
comically  
logically  
tactically  
statically

**High frequency  
words**

accidentally  
business  
exercise  
experience  
extreme  
guide  
history  
increase  
length  
medicine  
mention  
occasion  
occasionally  
peculiar  
possession  
pressure  
purpose  
quarter  
regular  
reign  
separate  
strength  
therefore  
island



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