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|  | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - common exception words (CEW) <br> - high frequency words (HFW) - the first 100 from Letters and Sounds (pg 193) <br> - compound words e.g. football, laptop, playground <br> Plus: <br> - days of the week <br> - numbers to 20 | Children should be taught to spell: <br> VC words <br> CVC words with short vowels <br> CVC words with long vowels <br> words with adjacent consonants <br> words with consonant digraphs and some vowel digraphs/trigraphs <br> alternative spellings for vowel phonemes e.g /ai/, /ay/, /a-e/ <br> new consonant spellings 'ph' and 'wh' e.g. dolphin, alphabet, which, wheel, <br> words ending in -y e.g. very, happy, funny | Children should be taught to spell: <br> words ending 'ff', <br> 'II', 'ss', 'zz' and <br> 'ck' (Usually after <br> a short vowel letter <br> in short words) <br> the $/ \mathrm{ng}$ / sound <br> spelt n before k <br> - words ending in 'tch' (/ch/ sound after a short vowel is usually 'tch') <br> plurals of nouns <br> adding -s and -es to words <br> verbs where no <br> change is needed to the root word: <br> adding endings -ing, -ed, -er <br> adjectives where no change is needed to the root word: <br> - adding -er and -est | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - words with the addition of the prefix un- |  |  |

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|  | Children should be taught to spell: <br> common exception words (CEW) <br> high frequency words (HFW) - the first 200 from Letters and Sounds (pg 195) | Children should be taught to spell: <br> homophones and near homophones e.g. there/their/ they're, hear/here, see/ sea <br> - words with alternative pronunciations from Letters and Sounds Phase 5 | Children should be taught to spell: <br> words with the /j/ sound spelt as 'ge' and 'dge' (end of words) and ' g ' (elsewhere in words) <br> - words with the /s/ sound spelt ' $c$ ' before 'e', 'i' , 'y' <br> words ending -le, -el, -al and - il <br> adding -ies to nouns and verbs ending in ' $y$ ' <br> adding -ed, -ing, -er, est to a root word ending in ' $y$ ' with a consonant before it <br> adding -ing, -ed, er, -est, -y to words ending in ' $e$ ' with a consonant before it <br> adding -ing, -ed, -er, est and -y to words of one syllable ending in a single letter after a short vowel | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - words with the suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly <br> - words ending in -tion | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - words with the $/ \mathrm{n} /$ sound spelt ' $k n$ ' and (less often) 'gn' at the beginning of words <br> - words with the /r/ sound spelt 'wr' at the beginning of words | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - words with contractions e.g. can't, didn't words using the <br> possessive apostrophe (singular nouns) e.g. the man's, Claire's |

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|  | Children should be taught to spell: <br> words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 3 and 4 (pg 64) | Children should be taught to spell: <br> the /i/ sound spelt 'y' elsewhere than at the end of words e.g. myth, pyramid, gym <br> - words with the /ai/ sound spelt 'ei', ‘eigh’, or 'ey’ e.g. vein, eight <br> - words containing the /u/ sound spelt 'ou' e.g. double, trouble <br> homophones and near homophones e.g. affect/ effect, berry/bury, fair/ fare, male/mail | Children should be taught to spell: | Children should be taught to spell: <br> adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable (words ending with a single consonant preceded by a short vowel double the consonant before adding 'ing') <br> - words using prefixes: un-,dis-, mis-, in-, im-, il-, ir-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, autowords using suffixes: -ly, -ation, -ous <br> - words with endings sounding shun/: -tion, -sion, -ssion, -cian <br> words ending with the schwa sound: measure, creature | Children should be taught to spell: <br> Words with the /k/ sound spelt 'ch' (Greek in origin) e.g. <br> scheme, chemist <br> - words with the /sh/ sound spelt 'ch' (mostly French in origin) e.g. chef, machine <br> - words ending with the $/ \mathrm{g} /$ sound spelt -gue and the /k/ sound spelt -que (French in origin) <br> e.g. league, unique <br> - words with the /s/ sound spelt 'sc' (Latin in origin) e.g. science, scene | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - Possessive apostrophe with plural words e.g. girls' boys' babies' children's |

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|  | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 5 and 6 (pg 71) | Children should be taught to spell: <br> words containing the letter-string ‘ough' e.g. bought, rough, cough, through, although, thorough, plough homophones and other words that are often confused e.g. practise/ practice, advise/ advice, past/ passed | Children should be taught to spell: <br> words with the /ee/ sound spelt 'ei' after ' c ' e.g. receive, receipt, ceiling plus exceptions protein and seize | Children should be taught to spell: <br> words with the ending /shus/ spelt -cious or -tious <br> words with the ending /shul/ spelt -cial or -tial <br> words with the endings -ant, -ance/-ancy, -ent, -ence/-ency <br> words ending in -able and -ible <br> words ending in -ably and -ibly <br> adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in fer (The ' $r$ ' is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added. The ' $r$ ' is not doubled if the fer is no longer stressed) | Children should be taught to spell: <br> ■ words with silent letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word) e.g. doubt, island, lamb | Children should be taught to spell: <br> - words using a hyphen to link a prefix to a root word e.g. co-ordinate, reiterate, co-own |

