

Spelling Rules

Year 2 (a)



'ch' sound spelled 'tch'

- match
- witch
- hutch
- fetch
- switch

adding 'ing'

- fizzing
- pressing
- flicking
- itching
- lifting

adding 'ed'

- crashed
- stomped
- dressed
- brushed

'j' or soft 'g' at the beginning or middle of words

- giant
- jumper
- jelly
- magic
- gentle

'j' sounds spelled 'dge'

- badge
- edge
- bridge
- fudge

'j' sound spelled 'ge'

- huge
- cage
- orange
- change
- large

plurals adding 's' or 'es'

- dog --> dogs
- box --> boxes
- mix --> mixes
- wish --> wishes

's' sound spelt 'c'

- face
- ice
- nice
- race
- prince

'ai' or 'ay'

- play
- drain
- holiday
- rain
- crayon
- explain

'a_e'

- came
- tale
- plate
- wave
- space

'a'

- baby
- table
- apron
- label
- bacon

'ee' or 'ea'

- week
- cream
- street
- read
- dream
- eat

'ee' sound spelt with a 'y'

- jelly
- puppy
- lolly
- happy
- sorry

'e_e' or 'ie'

- these
- grief
- chief
- thief
- piece

'igh' or 'i'

- night
- flight
- light
- child
- find
- island

'i_e'

- time
- slide
- stride
- white
- prize

remove the 'e' before adding 'ing'

- time --> timing
- drive --> driving
- wipe --> wiping
- smile --> smiling

'ow' or 'ou'

- cow
- now
- town
- loud
- round
- house

'oy' or 'oi'

- coin
- boy
- royal
- enjoy
- noise

'oa' or 'o_e'

- boat
- toast
- joke
- home
- stone

'ow' or 'oe'

- toe
- goes
- show
- grow
- follow

'oo' or 'u_e'

- gloom
- smooth
- rude
- tune
- cube

'ew' or 'u_e'

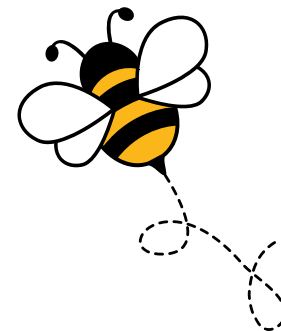
- new
- grew
- blue
- rescue

'ir' 'ur' 'er'

- burn
- church
- girl
- third
- person
- certain

adding 'er'

- teacher
- farmer
- summer
- dinner
- number



Spelling Rules

Year 2 (b)



'l' sound spelt 'le'
at the end of words

table
apple
bottle
little

'l' sound spelt 'el'
at the end of words

camel
tunnel
travel
towel

'l' sound spelt 'al'
at the end of words

metal
pedal
capital
animal

words ending in 'il'

fossil
pencil
nostril

'u' sound spelt 'o'

other
brother
mother
Monday

've'

live
brave
five
gave
twelve

'or' or 'ore'

torch
story
before
score

'aw' or 'au'

crawl
prawn
cause
sauce
August
autumn

'ar'

card
large
starve
sparkle
parcel
carnival

'air', 'are', 'ear'

care
square
bare
hair
chair
bear

adding suffix 'est'

tall --> tallest
short --> shortest
loud --> loudest
quiet --> quietest

irregular plurals

sheep
deer
fish
feet
children
teeth

plurals ending in 'y'

baby --> babies
lorry --> lorries
sky --> skies
spy --> spies

adding the prefix 'un'

unhappy
undo
untrue
unhealthy
unclear

adding the 'ed' words
ending in 'e'

sneezed
skated
snored
liked
timed
raced

adding er and est

nice --> nicer --> nicest
cute --> cuter --> cutest
close --> closer --> closest

adding 'y' to words
ending in 'e'

shine --> shiny
scare --> scary
ice --> icy

adding ed to words
ending in 'y'

carry --> carried
reply --> replied
tidy --> tidied
cry --> cried

adding er and est to words
ending in 'y'

lazy --> lazier --> laziest
happy --> happier --> happiest
funny --> funnier --> funniest

adding ly

loudly
quietly
slowly
kindly
nicely

'n' sound spelled with a
'kn' or 'gn'

know
knee
knock
gnaw

Suffix 'ment'

enjoyment
achievement
payment
agreement

Suffix 'ness'

darkness
rudeness
sadness
kindness

Suffix 'ful'

careful
playful
thankful
wonderful

Suffix 'less'

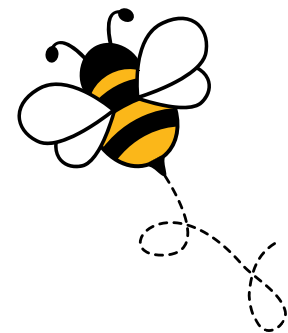
careless
homeless
hopeless
spotless

'r' sound spelt with a 'wr'

write
wrist
wrong
wrote

words ending in 'en' and 'tion'

golden
wooden
potion
question
fraction



Spelling Rules

Year 3



Adding the suffix 'ally'

actually
naturally
occasionally
magically

Words ending in 'tion'

invention
action
injection
completion

Words ending in 'ation'

information
decoration
preparation
location

Words ending in 'sion'

division
decision
vision
television

Adding the prefix 'un'

unhappy
undo
unload
unfair
unlock

Adding the prefix 'dis'

disappoint
disagree
disobey

Adding the prefix 'mis'

misbehave
mislead
mistreat
misspell

Adding the prefix 'in'

incorrect
inactive
incapable
incredible

Adding the prefix 're'

rejoin
redo
return
rebuild

Adding the prefix 'super'

supermarket
supersonic
superstar
superhero

Words with the short vowel sound spelt 'ou'

touch
young
double
country

Words ending in 'ous'

fabulous
enormous
serious
famous
dangerous

Words with the long vowel sound spelt 'ei'

vein
rein
reign

Words with the long vowel sound spelt 'eigh'

weigh
eight
neighbour
eighty

Words with the long vowel sound spelt 'ey'

grey
obey
they

Words with the 'i' sound spelt 'y'

myth
gym
Egypt
pyramid
mystery

Words with 's' sound spelt 'sc'

science
scene
discipline
fascinate
scissors

Silent letters 'kn'

knight
know
knit
knives
knee

Silent letters 'gn'

gnome
gnaw
gnat
gnarl

Adding the prefix 'in' for root words with 'l', 'm', 'p', 'r'

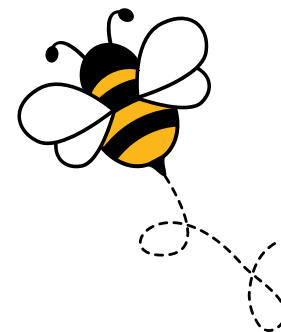
illegal
impossible
irregular
impatient

Silent letters 'wr'

wrote
wrong
wrapping
written
wrinkle
wrinkly

Silent letters 'wh'

when
where
which
wheel
while
what



Spelling Rules

Year 4



'ur'sound spelt 'or'

work
word
worm
worse
worst

Adding suffixes beginning with vowels to words of more than one syllable

forgetting
forgotten
beginning
beginner
preferred

Words ending in 'ation'

information
sensation
preparation
generation
location

Words ending in 'sion and 'ssion'

confusion
expression
permission
comprehension

Words ending in 'cian'

musician
electrician
magician
politician

Adding the prefix 'dis'

disappoint
disagree
disobey

Adding the prefix 'mis'

misbehave
mislead
misspell

Adding the prefix 'in'

inactive
incorrect
illegible
illegal

Adding the prefix 'im'

immature
immortal
impossible
impatient

Adding the prefix 'ir'

irregular
irrelevant
irresponsible

Adding the prefix 'anti'

antiseptic
anti-clockwise
antisocial
antifreeze

Adding the prefix 'sub'

subdivide
subheading
submarine
submerge

Adding the prefix 'inter'

interact
intercity
international
interrelated

Adding the prefix 'super'

supermarket
superwoman
superstar

Adding the prefix 're'

redo
refresh
return
reappear
redecorate

Adding the prefix 'auto'

autobiography
autograph

Words ending in 'sure'

pressure
treasure
pleasure
leisure
measure

Words ending in 'ture'

picture
mixture
nature
creature
texture

Adding the suffix 'ous'

famous
enormous
tremendous
jealous

Adding the suffix 'ious'

anxious
obvious
serious
various

Adding the suffix 'eous'

gorgeous
hideous
courageous

Words ending in 'gue'

league
tongue
catalogue
fatigue
dialogue

Adding the suffix 'que'

antique
cheque
unique
boutique
mosque

Words with 'sh' sound spelt 'ch'

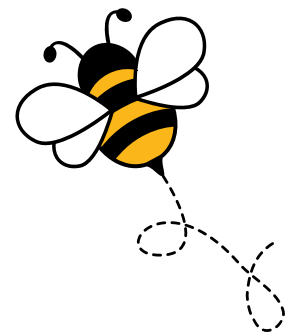
chef
machine
brochure
chute

Words with 'k' sound spelt 'ch'

choir
chorus
chemist
echo
character
school

Words with the s sound spelt 'sc'

science
scene
discipline
fascinate
descent
scissors



Spelling Rules

Year 5/6



Words with 'ee' sound
spelt with 'ei' after 'c'

perceive
receive
conceive

Words ending in 'cial'

special
official
crucial
beneficial

Words ending in 'tial'

confidential
partial
essential

Words ending in
'able' or 'ably'

available
vegetable
comfortable
considerably
comfortably
adorably

Words ending in
'ible' or 'ibly'

horrible
possible
incredible
horribly
possibly
incredibly

Words ending in 'cious'

conscious
precious
suspicious
delicious

Words ending in 'tious'

ambitious
cautious
nutritious
fictitious

Words ending in 'ant' or 'ent'

relevant
brilliant
elegant
ancient
apparent
excellent
sufficient

Words ending in
'ance' or 'ancy'

relevance
brilliance
nuisance
hindrance
vacancy
abundance
hesitancy

Words ending in
'ence' or 'ency'

convenience
existence
frequency
transparency

Silent letters

doubt
receipt
bruise
muscle

Silent letters at the
start of words

knight
knowledge
wreath
writer

Words with the 'aw'
sound spelt 'ough'

bought
thought
brought
sought

Words with 'ow' or 'oa'
sound spelt 'ough'

though
although
rough
plough

Homophones/near
homophones

advice advise
isle aisle
allowed aloud
passed past
serial cereal
practice practise

Words spelt with 'ie' after 'c'

ancient
conscience
species
sufficient

Adding suffixes to words
ending in 'fer' - without
doubling the r

reference
preference
transference
inference

Adding suffixes to words
ending in 'fer' - doubling the r

referring
preferring
transferring
conferring

Verbs ending in 'able' when the
root words ends in 'ge' or 'ce'

changeable
noticeable
knowledgeable
irreplaceable

Verbs with prefix 'over'

overbalance
overturn
overreact
overlooked

Verbs with the short 'i' spelt 'y'

physical
rhythm
system
mystery

Verbs with long 'i' spelt 'y'

rhyme
occupy
supply
multiply

