



We have provided you with the lists of words that pupils in year groups 3 and 4 and 5 and 6 should be able to spell.

We ask that you sit with your child to find which words they can already spell and then to identify words which they are not yet able to spell. The words which are more challenging will then become the focus for a home learning project. The children can choose between 5 and 10 spellings a week from their list of challenge spellings which they need to learn. These can be chosen and recorded by the children each week in their learning journals under “Spellings I need to Learn” by the start of each Monday morning. The children will not be tested on these, but they will be expected to spell them correctly in their work. If your child continues to struggle with a spelling, it can stay on the list for a couple of weeks but you might need to find other ways of remembering the spelling. Remember to challenge your child not only on the word list for their year group but also for the year groups above.

To be successful, your child will need to:

- Try most of the spellings for their year group (and the year group above or below if necessary)
- Identify which ones they can spell accurately
- Identify which spellings are causing the greatest difficulty
- Choose 5 to 10 spellings a week from the challenge list and practise these
- Correctly spell these words in their writing

To support you as a parent, support guidance from the national curriculum to help you with spellings is available on the website under Key stage 2 spelling lists.