

Please refer to the booklet, *How To Learn Spellings*, which is full of useful ideas - available on our website.

Practise these common spelling errors:

there, their, they're
where, were, wear
your, you're
to, too, two

Suggestion: Write sentences using each word in the correct context

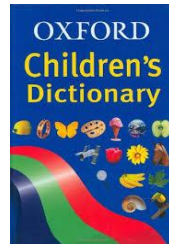
Suggestion 2: Create your own posters to remember which spelling to use



The /g/ sound spelt 'gu'

guide guitar guard
guidebook
quest guardian
guarantee guess

Suggestion: Can you think of more words beginning with 'gu'?
Look in a dictionary, make a list, practise them using look, cover, write, check!



Homophones

Practise these homophones

scene - seen
mail - male
bawl - ball

Suggestion 1: Write a definition for each word using a dictionary to help you.

Suggestion 2: Make your own flashcards with the spellings. Ask an adult to give you a sentence with one of the homophones. Show the correct flashcard with the correct spelling depending on the context!



Year 4 Common Exception Words

Children should regularly practise these so they can confidently read and spell them by the end of year 4.

appear continue grammar
material possible suppose
breath different group
medicine pressure surprise
breathe difficult guard
mention probably therefore
build disappear guide
natural recent
though/although
busy/business exercise
imagine opposite regular
calendar experience
important ordinary
remember
caught experiment increase
particular separate
certain extreme interest
peculiar special
complete famous island
position straight
consider favourite
knowledge possess(ion)

Words ending with '-ture'

mixture adventure capture
 feature
moisture nature picture
 culture

Suggestion 1: Think of a sentence for each word.

Suggestion 2: Write a story including all the '-ture' words on the list!



Possessive apostrophe with plurals

When the plural (more than one) noun ends in 's', you only add an apostrophe to show possession.

Examples:

One dog (singular) - The dog's bone
Two dogs (plural) - The dogs' bone.

One cow (singular) - The cow's field
Three cows (plural) = The cows' field.

Suggestion 1: Think of as many plural nouns as you can and write a sentence for each one showing the apostrophe in the correct place.
Suggestion 2: Draw a picture to show the plural noun like the one below!



strength

Suggestion 1: Play Hangman with these words.
Suggestion 2: Practise these spellings using rainbow write or pyramid writing.

