

National Curriculum
Statutory Word Lists
for each year group,
arranged by
sound/spelling pattern.

Spelling patterns for KS2 are split into single year groups to correspond with the order in which they are taught on wordstudyspelling.com

Foundation Stage

/u/
the
some
come
one
little

/th/
the

/ee/
he
she
we
be
me

/oo/
to
into
do

/o/
what

/w/
when
what
one

/ie/
I
like

/oo/
no
go
so

/er/
her
were

/l/
little

/v/
have

/ow/
out

/e/
said

Year One

/z/ is his has	/ay/ says today they	/u/ push pull full looked put	/oo/ today school do to you	/e/ friend said
/ie/ my by	/ear/ here	/air/ where their there	/w/ where	/v/ of love
/ar/ are ask asked	/a/ has	/or/ your called	/ow/ our house	/se/ house
/o/ was	/oo/ no go so	/ee/ we she he be me	/ar/ ask	/er/ were
/u/ love once come some				

Year Two

<p>/or/ door floor poor water</p>	<p>/o/ because</p>	<p>/oa/ most only both old cold gold hold told</p>	<p>/ie/ find kind mind behind child wild climb eye</p>	<p>/ar/ half after fast last past father</p>
<p>/oo/ move prove improve beautiful who</p>	<p>/er/ every everybody</p>	<p>/ee/ even people money</p>	<p>/au/ great break steak</p>	<p>class grass pass plant path bath</p>
<p>/oul/ could should would</p>	<p>/e/ children again</p>	<p>/iv/ pretty beautiful busy</p>	<p>/w/ who whole</p>	<p>/e/ any many</p>
<p>/ow/ hour</p>	<p>/s/ Christmas</p>	<p>/z/ busy clothes</p>	<p>/sh/ sure sugar</p>	<p>/air/ parents</p>
<p>/th/ (voiced) clothes</p>	<p>Abbreviations Mr Mrs</p>		<p>/u/ parents sugar</p>	

Year Three

suffix ~ly, ~ally

accidentally

actually

occasionally

probably

/n/ spelled kn

knowledgeable

knowledge

/or/ spelled augh

caught

naughty

/ay/ spelled ei

eight

eighth

reign

weight

(exception is height)

/ee/ spelled u

busy

business

words with

prefixes

dis / appear

dis / believe

re / build

re / position

words with

unstressed

vowels (schwa)

different

favourite

February

interest

library

ordinary

separate

split digraphs

arrive

decide

describe

extreme

guide

surprise

words with

double

consonants

address

appear

arrive

different

difficult

disappear

grammar

occasion

opposite

pressure

suppose

Year Four

~tion and ~sion suffix

mention
occasion
position
possess (ion)
question

~ous

famous
various

s spelled c before e, i and y

bicycle
centre
century
certain
circle
decide
exercise
experience
medicine
notice
recent

other words

answer
breath
breathe
build
calendar
complete
consider
continue
early
earth
experiment
group
guard
forward /s
fruit
heard
heart
history
imagine
important
increase
island
learn
length
material
minute
natural
often
particular
peculiar
perhaps

popular
potatoes
promise
purpose
quarter
regular
remember
sentence
special
straight
strange
strength
surprise
therefore
woman
women

Year Five

words with un- stressed vowels

accommodate
bruise
category
cemetery
definite
desperate
dictionary
embarrass
environment
exaggerate
marvellous
nuisance
parliament
privilege
secretary
vegetable

i before e except after c where following vowel has an ee sound

achieve
convenience
mischievous

short i spelled y

physical
symbol
system
ous suffix
disastrous
marvellous
mischievous

l spelled le

available
vegetable
vehicle
muscle

ous suffix

disastrous
marvellous
mischievous

tion suffix

competition
explanation
profession
pronunciation

s spelled c before adjacent ie e, i and y

cemetery
conscience
conscious
convenience
criticise
excellent
existence
hindrance
necessary
prejudice
sacrifice

words with other prefixes and suffixes

according
attached
criticise
determined
equipment
equipped
especially
frequently
immediate
immediately
un / necessary
sincere / ly

soldier
sufficient
variety
ancient
(exception is for-
eign)

words with double

consonants

accommodate
accompany
according
aggressive
apparent
appreciate
attached
committee
communicate
community
correspond
immediate
occupy
occur
opportunity
recommend
suggest

Year Six

amateur

average

awkward

bargain

controversy

curiosity

develop

forty

guarantee

harass

hindrance

identity

individual

interfere

interrupt

language

leisure

lightning

muscle

neighbour

persuade

programme

queue

recognise

relevant

restaurant

rhyme

rhythm

shoulder

signature

stomach

temperature

twelfth

vegetable

vehicle

yacht