



# Red Lane Primary School



# Spelling Challenge Booklet

Year 5/6

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

This is a copy of some common exception (tricky) words and other important words for Year 5 and 6. Teachers will quiz them on the relevant lists when they think they can spell the words on the list correctly. (It will **not** be a weekly spelling test – these words will be repeatedly tested throughout the year).

Children will have time in school to practise but would benefit from practising at home as well.

Thank you for your support.



LOOK



Look at the word.  
How many parts are there?  
What are the tricky bits?  
Can you find any spelling patterns?

SAY



Say the word to yourself.  
Break the word into syllables.  
How many parts are there?  
What sounds can you hear?

COVER



Cover up the word so you cannot see it.  
Picture the word in your mind.

WRITE



Write down the word,  
remembering how it sounds  
and what it looks like.

CHECK



Check to see if it is correct.  
Tick the letters you got correct.  
Write the word correctly if you made any mistakes.

**List 1**

accommodate  
accompany  
according  
achieve  
aggressive  
amateur

**List 2**

ancient  
apparent  
appreciate  
attached  
available  
average

**List 3**

awkward  
bargain  
bruise  
category  
cemetery  
committee

**List 4**

communicate  
community  
competition  
conscience  
conscious  
controversy

**List 5**

dictionary  
disastrous  
embarrass  
environment  
equipped  
especially

**List 6**

exaggerate  
excellent  
existence  
convenience  
correspond  
criticise

**List 7**

curiosity  
definite  
desperate  
determined  
develop  
pronunciation

**List 8**

queue  
recognise  
recommend  
relevant  
restaurant  
rhyme

**List 9**

rhythm  
sacrifice  
secretary  
shoulder  
signature  
sincerely

**List 10**

soldier  
stomach  
sufficient  
suggest  
explanation  
symbol

**List 11**

system  
temperature  
thorough  
twelfth  
variety  
vegetable

**List 12**

vehicle  
yacht  
opportunity  
parliament  
persuade  
physical

**List 13**

prejudice  
privilege  
profession  
programme  
marvellous  
mischievous

**List 14**

muscle  
necessary  
neighbour  
nuisance  
occupy  
occur

**List 15**

identity  
immediately  
individual  
interfere  
interrupt  
language

**List 16**

leisure  
lightning  
familiar  
foreign  
forty  
frequently

**List 17**

government  
guarantee  
harass  
hindrance



The following table is a list of sounds, rules and spellings your child will be learning this year and some examples of words you may want to practise.

<b>Sound or Spelling Rule</b>	<b>Examples of words</b>
Endings spelt <b>-cious or -tious</b>	vicious, precious, conscious, fictitious, infectious.
Endings spelt <b>-cial or -tial</b>	official, special, artificial, confidential, essential.
Words ending in <b>-ance, -ancy, -ent, -ence, -ency</b>	observant, observance, hesitancy, agency, agent, decent, decency.
Words ending in <b>-able and -ible</b> Words ending in <b>-ably and -ibly</b>	adorable, adorably, applicable, applicably, considerable, considerably, tolerable, tolerably, legible, reliable.
Adding suffixes	referring, referred, referral, preferring, preferred.
Use of the hyphen	co-ordinate, co-operate, co-own, re-enter, re-elect, re-educate, cross-reference, cross-section, ex-boyfriend, ex-convict, all-inclusive, self-addressed, non-refundable, non-toxic, self-esteem, self-portrait, mid-February, mid-Atlantic
i before e, except after c <b>Exceptions:</b> <i>protein, caffeine, seize</i>	conceit, ceiling, deceive, perceive, receipt, deceit, conceive, receive
Words containing <b>ough</b>	enough, rough, tough, ought, bought, thought.
Words with silent letters	doubt, lamb, lamb, limb, tomb, knight, island, solemn, thistle, whistle, listen, plumber, gnome, gnat, gnash, foreign, sign, column
Homophones and other words that are often confused.	advice/advise, device/devise, licence/license, practice/practise, prophecy/prophesy, aisle/isle, aloud/allowed, affect/effect, alter/altar, ascent/assent, bridal/bridle, cereal/serial, compliment/complement, farther/father, guessed/guest, heard/herd, lead/led, morning/mourning, past/passed, precede/proceed, descent/dissent, desert/dessert, draft/draught, principal/principle, profit/prophet, stationary/stationery, steal/steel, wary/weary, who's/whose