Curriculum for Excellence
Spelling Skills and Words
Primary 4
In the Sumdog spelling challenge tool, you can select any of the skills below to generate a spelling list for your class to practise. In the next few pages, you will find the list of words associated with each skill.

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**Linked sounds (ou, ow/blouse, brow)**

**Linked sounds (igh, ie, i–e/light, tie, cry, kite)**

**Linked sounds (ee, ea, ey, e–e, y/ tree, meat, money, concrete, body)**

**HINT:** You can focus learners easily on any skill to match your classroom lesson.
Spelling skills are arranged in columns, so are ordered progressively from top to bottom then left to right.

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Linked sounds (ou, ow/blouse, brow)

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mountain
mouth
trousers
fountain
bounce
thousand
grouse
lounge
hound
eyebrow
browse
flower
powder
shower
towel
tower
howl
prowl
scowl
crowd
blackout

Linked sounds (ee, ea, ey, e-e, y/tree, meat, money, concrete, body)

spooky
weed
empty
team
twenty
grease
teacher
body
ably
anchovy
athlete
concrete
Chinese
Japanese
precede
## Linked sounds

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## Applying spelling rules 2

| Actual          | Downside                | Appear                  | Calendar        | Consider       | Royalty       | Woman         | Treason        | Toadstool       | Discovery       | Operate        | Hurries       | Shrugged      | Graphic       |                |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| actual          | downside                | appear                  | calendar        | consider       | royalty        | woman          | treason        | toadstool       | discovery       | operate        | hurries        | shrugged      | graphic       |                |

## Compound Words 1

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## Compound Words 2

| Blackboard      | Afternoon              | Password              | Anytime         | Wildcat        | Hamburger    | Lipstick      | Classmate      | Pothole         | Runaway        | Moonlight     | Heartbeat     | Sunrise       |                |
|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| blackboard      | afternoon              | password              | anytime         | wildcat        | hamburger    | lipstick      | classmate      | pothole         | runaway        | moonlight     | heartbeat     | sunrise       |                |

## Compound Words 3

| Sunshine       | Goldfish               | Anymore                | Raindrop        | Myself         | Skateboard   | Seaside       | Gentleman      | Earring        | Jigsaw         | Overflow     | Eyeball       |                |
|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| sunshine       | goldfish               | anymore                | raindrop        | myself         | skateboard   | seaside       | gentleman      | earring        | jigsaw         | overflow     | eyeball       |                |

## /es/ sound spelled ei, eigh, or ey (rein/eight/grey)

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## Words that start with a /k/ sound (revision) (cub)

| Cabin          | Cob                     | Cub                      | Cop              | Canter        | Coffee       | Client        | Course        | Klin            | Kiwi           | Kerb          | Kelp          | Kiosk         |                |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| cabin          | cob                      | cub                       | cop              | canter        | coffee        | client        | course        | klin            | kiwi           | kerb          | kelp          | kiosk         |                |

## Words that start with a /k/ sound

| Ache           | Echo                    | Chaos                    | Chord           | Orchid        | Anchor       | Chrome       | Chorus        | Scholar        | Chasm          | Stomach       | Chemist       | Scheme        | Mechanic      | Schedule      | Monarch       | Character     | charisma     |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| ache           | echo                    | chaos                    | chord           | orchid        | anchor       | chrome       | chorus        | scholar        | chasm          | stomach       | chemist       | scheme        | mechanic      | schedule      | monarch       | character     | charisma     |

## The /ʌ/ sound spelled ou (young)

| Young          | Touch                   | Double                   | Trouble         | Couple        | Country      | Cousin       | Courage       | Encourage      | Flourish       | Nourish       | Southern      |                |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| young          | touch                   | double                   | trouble         | couple        | country      | cousin       | courage       | encourage      | flourish       | nourish       | southern      |                |

## Adding prefixes

### dis-

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### Adding suffixes -ed, -er and -ing to words ending in a vowel (take) - revision

- decided
- taking
- serving
- writing
- making
- driving
- shaking
- baked
- famed
- giving
- tiled
- stored
- using
- dancer
- server

### Adding suffixes -ed, -er and -ing to words ending in a consonant after a vowel (beg) - revision

- begged
- swimming
- wrapping
- snapped
- splitting
- grabbing
- sitting
- shopping
- dripped
- topped
- skipped
- skipping
- wrapped
- begging
- snapping

### Adding suffixes -ed, -er and -ing to words with more than one syllable and an unstressed final syllable (listen)

- differed
- differing
- gardening
- gardener
- limiting
- limited
- visiting
- visited
- listening
- listened
- happening
- happened

### Adding suffixes -ed, -er and -ing to words with more than one syllable and a stressed final syllable (begin)

- remaining
- remaining
- refraining
- refrained
- spraying
- sprayed
- boiling
- boiled
- training
- trainer
- trained

### Adding suffixes -ly (mixed words)

- completely
- bravely
- slowly
- quickly
- unusually
- carefully
- finally
- totally
- weekly
- vividly
- truthfully
- successfully

### Adding suffixes -ee, -er, and -eer (referee)

- employee
- referee
- trustee
- volunteer
- engineer
- auctioneer
- retiree
- escapee
- nominee
- pioneer

### Adding suffixes -th (depth)

- depth
- width
- fifth
- truth
- ninth
- hundredth
- eighth
- twelfth
- eighteenth
- eightieth

### High frequency words 1

- actually
- strange
- forward
- promise
- possess
- favourite
- minute
- straight
- special
- breathe
- guard
- ordinary
- opposite
- notice
- naughty

### High frequency words 2

- windy
- second
- fifteen
- fourteen
- own
- something
- carry
- along
- alongside
- story
- between
- remember
- describe
- away
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