National Curriculum
Spelling Skills and Words
Year 5
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.

**Year 5**

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**HINT:** You can focus learners easily on any skill to match your classroom lesson.

National Curriculum Spelling Skills and Words
### Plurals of nouns that end -f or -fe (wolves)

- wolves
- shelves
- elves
- halves
- selves
- leaves
- thieves
- sheaves
- wives
- knives
- lives
- dwarves
- scarves

### augh (laugh)

- laugh
- taught
- caught
- laughs
- naught
- laughed
- haughty
- laughter
- haughtily

### -ge and -dge (revision)

- acknowledge
- partridge
- cartridge
- footbridge
- drawbridge
- dislodge
- diverge
- pillage
- coinage
- syringe

### cc for /k/ sound

- ghost
- phantom
- costume
- mask
- pumpkin
- October
- broomstick
- cauldron
- vampire
- cemetery

### Geography

- coast
- animals
- continents
- countries
- oceans
- atlas
- human
- population
- continent
- globe

### Silent Letters (revision)

- subtle
- succumb
- wrinkle
- wrangle
- wrough
- campaign
- resign
- gnarled
- knuckle
- knowledge
- knapsack
- known
- knead

### Silent letters (t) (listen)

- thistle
- whistle
- castle
- bristle
- mortgage
- gristle
- wrestle
- glisten
- fasten
- listen
- Christmas

### Food

- spaghetti
- lasagne
- vegan
- casserole
- curry
- biryani
- fondue
- noodles
- sushi
- vegetarian

### Silent letters (n) (hymn)

- solemn
- column
- hymn
- condemn
- autumn

### Weather

- typhoon
- hail
- gale
- climate
- sleet
- hurricane
- overcast
- monsoon
- thunderstorm
- downpour

### Homophones and often confused words 1

- their
- they’re
- through
- buy
- bye
- dissent
- farther
- heard
- led
- seller
- forwards
- foreword

### Homophones and often confused words 2

- desert
- dessert
- principal
- principle
- minors
- miners
- mite
- gait
- gate
- bridle
- bridle
- serial

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Spelling skills are arranged in columns, so are ordered progressively from top to bottom then left to right.
### Year 5

#### Parts of the body
- face
- fingers
- hamstring
- ankle
- lungs
- shoulder
- skull
- elbow
- torso
- ribcage

#### Homophones and often confused words 3
- aloud
- allowed
- steel
- wary
- weary
- passed
- died
- dyed
- guessed
- guest
- duel
- dual

#### Homophones and often confused words 4
- affect
- effect
- asent
- assent
- altar
- alter
- proceed
- currant
- current
- aisle
- isle

#### Musical instruments
- tuba
- trumpet
- violin
- drum
- saxophone
- sitar
djembé
- clarinet
- tabla
- trombone

#### European countries
- Ireland
- Poland
- France
- Germany
- Ukraine
- Albania
- Spain
- Portugal
- Sweden
- Romania

#### Vikings
- shield
- axe
- invader
- horns
- barbarian
- conquest
- Dane
- raiding
- helmet
- longship

#### Adding prefixes pro-
- proactive
- project
- provide
- produce
- protect
- promote
- progress
- proverb
- protractor
- property

#### Adding prefixes out-
- outstanding
- outgrown
- outclass
- outdo
- outwit
- outrun
- outweigh
- outside
- outward
- outdated
- outlook

#### Under the sea
- mollusc
- diver
- seaweed
- squid
- lobster
- aquatic
- coral
- reef
- scuba
- seahorse

#### Adding prefixes tele-
- telephone
- teletype
- telescope
- telecommunication
- telegraph
- teleport
- telepathy
- televise
- teletext
- telepathic
### Adding suffixes – tricky -ed words
- received
- frightened
- accommodated
- exaggerated
- guaranteed
- interfered
- abducted
- married
- hurried
- misinterpreted
- transferred

### Ancient Romans
- soldier
- legion
- sword
- centurion
- viaduct
- Rome
- gladiator
- emperor
- empire
- army

### History
- historian
- relic
- ancient
- artifact
- museum
- ancestor
- historical
- timeline
- record
- narrative

### Words ending in -able and -ably (revision)
- adorable
- adorably
- applicable
- applicably
- considerable
- considerably
- tolerable
- tolerably
- changeable
- changeably
- noticeable
- noticeably
- dependable
- dependably
- comfortably
- comfortably
- understandable
- understandably
- reasonable
- reasonably
- enjoyable
- enjoyably
- reliable
- reliably

### Adding suffixes -ly (revision)
- separately
- angrily
- heavily
- cheekily
- crazily
- clumsily
- gently
- piggily
- wrinkly
- cuddly
- crumbly
- bubbly
- formally
- independently
- faithfully

### Adding suffixes -ous and -ious (revision)
- fabulously
- grievous
- rigorous
- amorous
- simultaneous
- monstrous
- tedious
- generous
- dubious
- callous

### Space
- planet
- astronauts
- stars
- comet
- universe
- asteroid
- meteor
- Jupiter
- Neptune
- Mars

### Adding suffixes -ship
- championship
- ownership
- dictatorship
- citizenship
- dealership
- censorship
- workmanship
- authorship
- internship
- membership

### Adding suffixes -wise, -ward, -wards, -ways
- otherwise
- likewise
- clockwise
- otherwise
- downward
- downward
- sideways
- lengthways
- widthways

### Mountains
- peak
- altitude
- range
- glacier
- expedition
- Alps
- summit
- ledge
- crag
- elevation

### Adding suffixes -al
- autumnal
- natural
- fictional
- burial
- accidental
- logical
- political
- betrayal
- coastal
- global
- emotional
- personal
- intentional
- referral

### Olympics
- ceremony
- games
- competition
- rings
- runners
- medals
- slalom
- stamina
- sportsmanship
- anthem
### Adding suffixes -ful (revision)
- cheerful
- wilful
- fearful
- tearful
- hateful
- wishful
- skillful
- mindful
- hopeful
- gleeful
- fateful
- harmful

### Adding suffixes -ify/-fy
- unify
- modify
- verify
- qualify
- justify
- falsify
- magnify
- solidify
- dignify
- testify
- diversify
- glorify

### Adding commonly confused suffixes -er/-or
- reader
- councillor
- visitor
- traveller
- narrator
- editor
- builder
- supervisor
- shoplifter
- instructor
- responder
- lender

### Religious festivals
- Diwali
- Eid
- Hanukkah
- Holi
- Passover
- Easter
- lent
- Ramadan
- fasting
- Pentecost

### High frequency and statutory words 1
- according
- average
- awkward
- bargain
- correspond
- develop
- equip
- forty
- interrupt
- lightning
- occur
- relevant
- sacrifice
- excellent
- physical
- recognise
- sincere
- sufficient
- variety
- vehicle

### Ancient Egypt
- Egyptian
- pyramids
- sand
- camel
- pharaoh
- sphinx
- Giza
- obelisk
- Nile
- papyrus

### High frequency and statutory words 2
- million
- police
- performance
- suddenly
- square
- never
- announcing
- industrial
- especially
- tired
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