

# Curriculum for Excellence Spelling Skills and Words 

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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.


## Strands:

| $\square$ P1 Revision | $\square$ Digraphs and Trigraphs | Common Words |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ Spelling Rules | $\square$ Word Endings | $\square$ Prefixes, Suffixes \& Roots |
| $\square$ Strategy Spelling | $\square$ Homophones \& Confusions | $\square$ Building Vocabulary - Topic Words |

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

| Plurals of nouns that end -f or -fe (wolves) | wolves | augh (laugh) | laugh | Double letters | committee | Silent Letters | subtle | Silent letters (l) | calm |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | shelves |  | taught | (commonly | apparent | (revision) | succumb | (calf) | calf |
|  | elves |  | caught | misspelled) | attached |  | wrinkle |  | balm |
|  | halves |  | laughs |  | embarrass |  | wrangle |  | almond |
|  | selves |  | naught |  | millennium |  | wrought |  | salmon |
|  | leaves |  | laughed |  | occurrence |  | campaign |  | folk |
|  | thieves |  | haughty |  | generally |  | resign |  | folklore |
|  | sheaves |  | laughter |  | broccoli |  | gnarled |  | calves |
|  | wives |  | haughtily |  | harass |  | knuckle |  |  |
|  | knives | -ge and -dge (revision) |  |  | questionnaire |  | knowledge | Weather | typhoon |
|  | lives |  | acknowledge |  | personnel |  | knapsack |  | hail |
|  | dwarves |  | partridge |  | balloon |  | known |  | gale |
|  | scarves |  | cartridge |  | parallel |  | knead |  | climate |
|  |  |  | footbridge |  | dissipate |  |  |  | sleet |
| ough (ought) | ought |  | drawbridge |  | dissipate | Silent letters (t) | thistle |  | hurricane |
|  | bought |  | dislodge |  | deterrence | (listen) | whistle |  | overcast |
|  | thought |  | diverge |  | necessary |  | castle |  | monsoon |
|  | nought |  | pillage |  | necessary |  | bristle |  | thunderstorm |
|  | brought |  | coinage | cc for /k/ sound | acclaim |  | mortgage |  | downpour |
|  | fought |  | syringe |  | accurate |  | gristle |  |  |
|  | rough | Halloween |  |  | accommodate |  | wrestle | often confused | they're |
|  | tough |  | phantom |  | accomplish |  | glisten | words 1 | through |
|  | enough |  | costume |  | accompany |  | fasten |  | buy |
|  | cough |  | mask |  | accuse |  | listen |  | bye |
|  | though |  | pumpkin |  | accumulate |  | Christmas |  | dissent |
|  | dough |  | October |  | account | Food | spaghetti |  | farther |
|  | drought |  | broomstick |  | accredit |  | lasagne |  | heard |
|  | doughnut |  | cauldron | Geography | coast |  | vegan |  | led |
|  | bough |  | vampire |  | animals |  | casserole |  | seller |
|  | borough |  | cemetery |  | continents |  | curry |  | forwards |
|  | plough |  |  |  | countries |  | biryani |  | foreword |
| Sport | softball |  |  |  | oceans |  | fondue | Homophones and often confused words 2 |  |
|  | rugby |  |  |  | atlas |  | noodles |  | dessert |
|  | tennis |  |  |  | human |  | sushi |  | principal |
|  | cricket |  |  |  | population |  | vegetarian |  | principle |
|  | netball |  |  |  | continent |  | solemn |  | minors |
|  | athletics |  |  |  | globe | (hymn) | column |  | miners |
|  | badminton |  |  |  |  |  | hymn |  | mite |
|  | skiing |  |  |  |  |  | condemn |  | gait |
|  | gymnastics hurdles |  |  |  |  |  | autumn |  | gate |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | bridle |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | bridal |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | serial |

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| Parts of the body | face |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | fingers |
|  | hamstring |
|  | ankle |
|  | lungs |
|  | shoulder |
|  | elbow |
|  | torso |
|  | ribcage |
|  | skull |
| 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 |
|  | ascent |
|  | assent |
|  | altar |
|  | alter |
|  | proceed |
|  | currant |
|  | current |
|  | aisle |
|  | isle |
| Music | instrument |
|  | conductor |
|  | harmony |
|  | choir |
|  | orchestra |
|  | melody |
|  | opera |
|  | rap |
|  | rock |
|  | soul |


| Compound words 1 | worldwide | Applying spelling rules 2 | pronounce | Adding prefixes mid- | midyear |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | windfall |  | organisation |  | midnight |
|  | southeast |  | scrounge |  | midweek |
|  | freelance |  | astounded |  | midfielder |
|  | knighthood |  | transparent |  | midway |
|  | stockbroker |  | caution |  | midsummer |
|  | grandmother |  | ignorance |  | mid-air |
|  | grandfather |  | alternative |  | midpoint |
|  | bookshelf |  | compulsive |  | midday |
|  | battlefield |  | explosion |  | midstream |
|  | chopsticks |  | concentrate |  | midsection |
|  | grandchild |  | vocabulary |  | midriff |
|  | gridlock |  | translate |  | midwife |
| Applying spelling rules 1 | sincerely | Adding prefixes dis- mis- and in(revision) | misjudge | Adding prefixes over/under- | overwork |
|  | permanent |  | mismanage |  | overdue |
|  | murmur |  | misconduct |  | overjoyed |
|  | energy |  | discontinue |  | overeat |
|  | however |  | dishonest |  | overload |
|  | original |  | disloyal |  | overdose |
|  | assessment |  | disobey |  | overreacting |
|  | furthermore |  | discourage |  | underpaid |
|  | metaphor |  | inconvenient |  | underarm |
|  | different |  | incapable |  | underage |
| Musical instruments |  |  | inaccurate |  | underwear |
|  |  |  | inadequate |  | understand |
|  | trumpet |  | inappropriate |  | underneath |
|  | violin |  |  |  |  |
|  | drum | European countries | Ireland | Vikings | shield |
|  | saxophone |  | Poland |  | axe |
|  | sitar |  | France |  | invader |
|  | djembe |  | Germany |  | horns |
|  | clarinet |  | Ukraine |  | barbarian |
|  | tabla |  | Albania |  | conquest |
|  | trombone |  | Spain |  | Dane |
|  |  |  | Portugal |  | raiding |
|  |  |  | Sweden |  | helmet |
|  |  |  | Romania |  | 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 |
|  | telecast |
|  | telescope |
|  | telecommunication |
|  | telegraph |
|  | teleport |
|  | telepathy |
|  | televise |
|  | teletext |
|  | telepathic |

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| 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 |
| Adding suffixes tricky -ing words | receiving |
|  | frightening |
|  | accommodating |
|  | misunderstanding |
|  | exaggerating |
|  | marrying |
|  | measuring |
|  | manoeuvring |
|  | labelling |
|  | intimidating |
|  | transferring |


| Adding suffixes -ly (revision) | separately |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | angrily |
|  | heavily |
|  | cheekily |
|  | crazily |
|  | clumsily |
|  | gently |
|  | giggly |
|  | wrinkly |
|  | cuddly |
|  | crumbly |
|  | bubbly |
|  | formally |
|  | independently |
|  | faithfully |
| 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 |
|  | comfortable |
|  | comfortably |
|  | understandable |
|  | understandably |
|  | reasonable |
|  | reasonably |
|  | enjoyable |
|  | enjoyably |
|  | reliable |
|  | reliably |
| Adding suffixes -ous and -ious (revision) | fabulous |
|  | grievous |
|  | rigorous |
|  | amorous |
|  | simultaneous |
|  | monstrous |
|  | tedious |
|  | generous |
|  | dubious |
|  | callous |
| Space | planet |
|  | astronauts |
|  | stars |
|  | comet |
|  | universe |
|  | asteroid |
|  | meteor |
|  | jupiter |
|  | neptune |
|  | mars |


| Adding suffixes -ship | championship | Adding suffixes ible/ibly | forcible |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ownership |  | forcibly |
|  | dictatorship |  | legible |
|  | citizenship |  | legibly |
|  | dealership |  | possible |
|  | censorship |  | possibly |
|  | workmanship |  | horrible |
|  | authorship |  | horribly |
|  | internship |  | terrible |
|  | membership |  | terribly |
| Adding suffixes -wise, -ward, -wards, -ways | otherwise |  | visible |
|  | likewise |  | visibly |
|  | clockwise |  | incredible |
|  | weatherwise |  | incredibly |
|  | downward |  | sensible |
|  | backward |  | sensibly |
|  | untoward | Adding suffixes-al | autumnal |
|  | sideways |  | natural |
|  | lengthways |  | fictional |
|  | widthways |  | burial |
| Mountains | peak |  | accidental |
|  | altitude |  | logical |
|  | range |  | political |
|  | glacier |  | betrayal |
|  | slacierition |  | coastal |
|  | Alps |  | global |
|  | Alps |  | emotional |
|  | summit |  | personal |
|  | ledge |  | intentional |
|  | crag |  | referral |
|  | elevation |  |  |
|  |  | Olympics | ceremony |
|  |  |  | games |
|  |  |  | competition |
|  |  |  | rings |
|  |  |  | runners |
|  |  |  | medals |
|  |  |  | slalom |
|  |  |  | stamina |
|  |  |  | sportsmanship |
|  |  |  | anthem |

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| Adding suffixes -ful (revision) | cheerful | Adding commonly confused suffixes -er/-or | reader |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | wilful |  | councillor |
|  | fearful |  | visitor |
|  | tearful |  | traveller |
|  | hateful |  | narrator |
|  | wishful |  | editor |
|  | skilful |  | builder |
|  | mindful |  | supervisor |
|  | hopeful |  | shoplifter |
|  | gleeful |  | instructor |
|  | fateful |  | responder |
|  | harmful |  | lender |
| Adding suffixes -ify/-fy | unify | High frequency words 1 | according |
|  | modify |  | average |
|  | verify |  | awkward |
|  | qualify |  | bargain |
|  | justify |  | correspond |
|  | falsify |  | develop |
|  | magnify |  | equip |
|  | solidify |  | forty |
|  | dignify |  | interrupt |
|  | testify |  | lightning |
|  | diversify |  | occur |
|  | glorify |  | relevant |
| Religious festivals | Diwali |  | sacrifice |
|  | Eid |  | excellent |
|  | Hanukkah |  | physical |
|  | Holi |  | recognise |
|  | Passover |  | sincere |
|  | Easter |  | sufficient |
|  |  |  | variety |
|  | Ramadan |  | vehicle |
|  | fasting | Ancient Egypt | Egyptian |
|  | Pentecost |  | pyramids |
|  |  |  | sand |
|  |  |  | camels |
|  |  |  | pharaoh |
|  |  |  | sphinx |
|  |  |  | Giza |
|  |  |  | obelisk |
|  |  |  | Nile |
|  |  |  | papyrus |


| High frequency <br> words 2 | million |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | police |
|  | performance |
|  | suddenly |
|  | square |
|  | never |
|  | announcing |
|  | industrial |
|  | especially |
|  | tired |



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