

Year 4 Spelling lists – Spring 1

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Week	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Pattern	Suffix "ed" / 'ous'	Using 'ous'	Using 'ous'	Plural possessive apostrophes		
Rule	-If the final syllable is unstressed the final consonant is not doubled. - the suffix 'ous' is just added (danger - dangerous).	- 'ous' is just added to words ending 'ge' if the soft 'g' sound is kept. Very few of these words. - Words ending 'our' change to 'or' when adding 'ous' (glamour - glamorous).	- If a root word ends with 'y', the 'y' changes to 'i' when 'ous' is added (fury – furious). -If there is a long 'ee' sound before the suffix 'ous', it is usually spelt as 'i'.	- For most nouns just add 's' to form the plural. - Nouns ending 'ch', 'sh', 's', 'x', 'z' (hiss/buzz sounds) add 'es' to form the plural.	-Nouns ending 'o' add 'es' to form the plural. -In irregular plurals the apostrophe goes before the 's'.	- Nouns ending 'y' change the 'y' to 'i' and add 'es' for the plural.
1	limited	gorgeous	glorious	(cat's) cats'	heroes'	baby's
2	beckoned	outrageous	luxurious	(toy's) toys'	potatoes'	city's
3	frightened	advantageous	mysterious	(book's) books'	tomatoes'	story's
4	poisonous	vigorous	tedious	churches'	men's	babies'
5	dangerous	glamorous	hilarious	bosses'	children's	cities'
6	mountainous	humorous	curious	foxes'	people's	stories'
Common exception words Year 3/4						
7	guarded	group	business	height	actually	busy
8	learned	enough	purpose	history	library	extreme
Topic words						
9	conquer	Jutes	Picts	migration	defeat	saga
10	invade	burgh	Britons	reign	battle	primary
11	Anglo	era	wergild	century	pagan	secondary
12	Saxon	timeline	warrior	monk	belief	source

Year 4 Spelling lists – Spring 2

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Week	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Pattern	Using 'ous' and 'cian'	Using 'tion'	Using 'sion' and 'ssion'	The 'k' sound	The 'k' sound and the 'Sh' sound	'g' sound and 'k' sound
Rule	-A few words use 'e' to make the long 'ee' sound before the suffix 'ous'. --'cian' is used where base words end in 'c' or 'cs' and often relate to jobs/occupations.	-A long 'a' sound is always followed by 'tion'. For words ending 'te', drop the 'e' to add 'ion'. - If the root verb ends in 't' the suffix 'ion' forms 'tion' (invent – invention).– invention).	-Many 'sion' words are formed from verbs ending in 'd' or 'de' (divide - division). -'ssion' words have a clear soft 'sh' sound and often base words ending 'ss' or 'mit'.	-In some words from Ancient Greek 'ch' is used to make a 'k' sound. Not many of these words. - In some words from Ancient Greek 'ch' is used to make a 'k' sound.	In some words for occupations 'ch' is used to make a 'k' sound. -'ch' can make a sound like 'sh' (e.g. shoot-chute).	-'gue' at the end of a word can make a sound like 'g'. -'que' at the end of a word can make a sound like 'k'.
1	<i>gaseous</i>	<i>relation</i>	<i>explosion</i>	<i>chasm</i>	<i>mechanic</i>	<i>plague</i>
2	<i>courteous</i>	<i>inspiration</i>	<i>division</i>	<i>chorus</i>	<i>monarch</i>	<i>dialogue</i>
3	<i>hideous</i>	<i>rotation</i>	<i>confusion</i>	<i>character</i>	<i>architect</i>	<i>league</i>
4	<i>spontaneous</i>	<i>duration</i>	<i>tension</i>	<i>chaos</i>	<i>scholar</i>	<i>vague</i>
5	<i>magician</i>	<i>action</i>	<i>expression</i>	<i>ache</i>	<i>chef</i>	<i>plaque</i>
6	<i>politician</i>	<i>direction</i>	<i>mission</i>	<i>echo</i>	<i>machine</i>	<i>antique</i>
7	<i>optician</i>	<i>invention</i>	<i>confession</i>	<i>scheme</i>	<i>brochure</i>	<i>unique</i>
8	<i>electrician</i>	<i>eruption</i>	<i>discussion</i>	<i>stomach</i>	<i>parachute</i>	<i>plaque</i>
Common exception words Year 3/4						
9	<i>Earth</i>	<i>position</i>	<i>occasion</i>	<i>actual</i>	<i>occasionally</i>	<i>popular</i>
10	<i>eight</i>	<i>particular</i>	<i>possession</i>	<i>peculiar</i>	<i>opposite</i>	<i>regular</i>
Topic words						
11	<i>Viking</i>	<i>Celt</i>	<i>Danelaw</i>	<i>longboat</i>	<i>Myths</i>	<i>raid</i>
12	<i>Scandanavia</i>	<i>reign</i>	<i>sword</i>	<i>Norsemen</i>	<i>Chieftain</i>	<i>trade</i>