

Year 4 - Autumn term spellings

Words with /aw/ spelt with augh and au	Adding the prefix in- (meaning 'not')	Adding the prefix im- (before a root word starting with 'm' or 'p')	Adding the prefix il- (before a root word starting with 'l') and the prefix ir- (before a root word starting with 'r')	Homophones & near homophones	Words with /shun/ endings spelt with 'sion' (if root word ends in 'se', 'de' or 'd')
caught* naughty* taught daughter autumn clause cause astronaut applaud author	inactive incorrect inaccurate insecure indefinite incomplete infinite inedible inability indecisive	immature immeasurable impossible immortal imperfect impatient immovable impolite important* improper	illegal illegible illogical illiterate illicit irregular irrelevant irresponsible irrational irresistible	medal meddle missed mist scene seen board bored which witch	division invasion confusion decision collision television revision erosion inclusion explosion
consider* remember*	popular* regular*	calendar* grammar*	quarter* particular*	peculiar* extreme*	possible* knowledge*

Words with a /shuhn/ sound, spelt with 'sion' (if root word ends in 'se', 'de' or 'd')	Words with a /shuhn/ sound, spelt with 'ssion' (if root word ends in 'ss' or 'mit')	Words with a /shuhn/ sound, spelt with 'tion' (if root word ends in 'te' or 't' or has no definite root)	Words with a /shuhn/ sound, spelt with 'cian' (if root word ends in 'c' or 'cs')	Words with 'ough' to make a long /o/ /oo/ /or/ sound	Common exception words
expansion extension comprehension tension corrosion supervision fusion conclusion persuasion suspension	expression discussion confession permission admission transmission possession* profession depression impression	invention injection action question* mention* attraction translation devotion position* solution	musician politician electrician magician mathematician dietician statistician technician clinician beautician	though* although* dough through* breakthrough thought* bought brought fought ought	interest* experiment* potatoes* favourite* imagine* material* promise* opposite* minute* increase*
business* heart*	pressure* separate*	suppose* various*	therefore* important*	interest* experiment*	--

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Year 4 - Spring term spellings

Homophones & near homophones	Homophones & near homophones	Nouns ending in suffix -ation	Nouns ending in suffix -ation	Adding the prefix sub ('under') or the prefix super ('above')	Plural possessive apostrophes with plural words
accept except affect effect aloud allowed weather whether whose who's	cereal serial check cheque through threw draft draught stares stairs	information adoration sensation preparation education location exaggeration concentration imagination organisation	creation radiation indication ventilation relegation dedication demonstration abbreviation translation vibration	submerge subheading submarine subordinate subway superman supervise supersede superpower superhuman	girls' boys' babies' parents' teachers' women's men's children's people's mice's
question* position*	favourite* imagine*	material* opposite*	though* although*	centre* certain*	recent* experience*

Words with the /s/ sound spelt with 'sc'	Words with a 'soft c' spelt with 'ce'	Words with a 'soft c' spelt with 'ci'	Word families based on common words, showing how words are related in form and meaning
science crescent discipline fascinate scent scissors ascent descent scientist scenery	centre* century* certain* recent* experience* sentence* notice* celebrate ceremony certificate	circle* decide* medicine* exercise* special* cinema decimal accident city citizen	phone phonics microphone telephone homophone real reality realistic unreal realisation
suppose* various*	special* remember*	popular* regular*	calendar* grammar*

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Year 4 - Summer term spellings

Word families based on common words, showing how words are related in form and meaning	Adding the prefix inter- (meaning 'between' or 'among')	Adding the prefix anti-(meaning 'against')	Adding the prefix auto- (meaning 'self' or 'own')	Adding the prefix ex- (meaning 'out')	Adding the prefix non- (meaning 'not')
solve solution insoluble dissolve solvent sign signature assign design signal	interact interfere intercity international intermediate internet intergalactic interrupt intervene interlude	antiseptic anticlockwise antisocial antidote antibiotic antivenom anti-ageing antifreeze antiperspirant antigravity	autograph autobiography automatic autofocus autocorrect autopilot autopsy automobile autonomy autocue	exit extend explode excursion exchange export exclaim expel external exterior	non-stick non-stop non-starter non-smoker nonsense non-fiction non-drip non-violent non-profit non-believer
possible* knowledge*	business* heart*	pressure* separate*	notice* circle*	therefore* quarter*	sentence* exercise*

Adding the suffix -ous -ous (no change to root word)	Adding the suffix -ous (no definitive root word)	Adding the suffix -ous (words ending in "y" become "i" and words ending in "our" become "or")	Adding the suffix -ous (words ending in "e" drop the "e" but not "ge")	Adverbials of frequency and possibility	Adverbials of manner
dangerous poisonous mountainous joyous synonymous hazardous riotous perilous momentous scandalous	tremendous enormous jealous serious hideous fabulous curious anxious obvious gorgeous	various furious glorious victorious mysterious humorous glamorous vigorous odorous rigorous	famous* nervous ridiculous carnivorous herbivorous porous adventurous courageous outrageous advantageous	regularly occasionally frequently usually rarely perhaps* maybe certainly possibly probably	awkwardly frantically curiously obediently carefully rapidly unexpectedly deliberately hurriedly reluctantly
caught* naughty*	possession* mention*	decide* century*	consider* extreme*	particular* peculiar*	perhaps* famous*

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