

Weekly suggested spelling list Year 6

Adjust the weekly program in this overview to suit consolidated sequences of teaching and learning.

	Week 1		Week 2		Week 3		Week 4		Week 5	
Unit 1	Diagnostic assessment		Homophones Suffixes — ‘ance’, ‘ence’		Consonant patterns — ‘gh’ and ‘ph’ Suffixes ‘tion’ and ‘sion’		Hard and soft ‘g’ Hard and soft ‘c’		Prefixes — ‘im’, ‘il’, ‘ig’, ‘in’, ‘ir’ Ambiguous vowels — ‘aw’, ‘au’, ‘al’	
			queue cue cent sent guest guessed reign rain course coarse	acceptance appearance guidance defiance instance dependence confidence patience intelligence difference	although thorough brought bought tonight physician geography symphony trophy alphabet	production reduction competition explanation comprehension persuasion conclusion impression apprehension decision	gallery argument guilty guarantee governed genius generosity gesture sergeant manager	campus candle country concert cancel percentage cement certain ceiling cyclone	impossible impatient illogical illegal ignorant ignoble inappropriate invisible irregular irreversible	awesome drawer autumn authority cautious altogether always almost palm walk
	Prefixes — ‘anti’ and ‘ante’ Latin stem — ‘grad’ and ‘gress’		Diphthongs in two or more syllable words Greek roots — ‘gram’, ‘micro’ and ‘geo’		Vowel alternation — long to short		Complex word endings patterns — ‘gue’ and ‘que’		Consolidation	
antibiotic antibody antidote antisocial antiseptic antibacterial anticlockwise anticlimax antenatal anteroom	grade gradual graduate downgrade centigrade congress progress aggressive regress transgression	mouthful council fountain doubtfully boundaries rewound dismount mountain kilogram program	diagram tangram microscopic microphone microwave microbiologist geology geography geometric geologist	nature natural please pleasant reduce reduction divide division know knowledge	receive reception athlete athletic serene serenity cave cavity write written	vague league plague intrigue catalogue epilogue fatigue colleague tongue meringue	boutique mosque technique oblique barbeque* antique opaque unique plaque marquee <small>*may also be spelled with ‘cue’</small>			

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Unit 2	Vowel alternation — long vowel to schwa		Vowel alternation — schwa to short vowel		Accented 1st syllable		Accented 2nd syllable		Suffix — 'ion' to base words ending in 'e' and 'de'	
	major majority able ability narrate narrative stable stability invite invitation	social society prepare preparation relate relative pose position compete competition	general generality normal normality metal metallic academic academy celebrate celebrity	period periodic emphasis emphatic criticise critic local locality vital vitality	silence vital react seizure vocal minor season overt bureau beautiful	average calculator camera somebody anything everywhere customer families libraries Wednesday	imply oblige reveal October aspire unusual unable computer providing erosion	uncommon reduction election deliver remember condition tomorrow whoever December November	congratulate congratulation (s) translate translation vegetate vegetation fascinate fascination devastate devastation	opposite opposition explode explosion decide decision persuade persuasion conclude conclusion
Unit 3	Diagnostic assessment Ambiguous vowels 'au', 'aw', 'al'		Prefixes 'en' and 'em' Suffixes 'ist' and 'ism'		Prefixes 'sur', 'ex', 'pre' and 'post'		Words for creating and linking texts		Consolidation	
	audition audience author trauma auction daughter nausea laundry claw lawyer	awesome yawning awful awkward falter walnut alter although hallway waltz	enhance enforce engross engage entitlement employment empathise empower embark emergency	dentist machinist cartoonist stylist cyclist optimism criticism absenteeism professionalism realism	surcharge surface surpass surplus surprise surround exhaust expire excellence explode	expensive explore prehistoric prefix precaution prepay postgraduate postpone postscript postdate	besides despite except unless afterwards finally lastly neither though meanwhile	therefore initially otherwise previously rather consequently in conclusion for example as a result rather than		

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Unit 4	Advanced homophones		Prefixes – ‘hyper’, ‘inter’, ‘sub’ and ‘intra’		Suffixes – ‘wise’ Complex consonants ‘ch’ (digraph) and ‘qu’ (blend)		Prefixes – ‘mono’, ‘semi’ and ‘cent’ Prefixes – ‘milli’, ‘pent’ and ‘octo’		Words adopted from other languages	
	cereal serial board bored vary very queue cue course coarse	through threw symbol cymbal guest guessed principle principal lesson lessen	hyperlink hyperventilate hyperactive hyperthermia hypersensitive interview internet interstate interface international	submerge submarine subscribe subconscious substandard intranet intraschool intravenous intrastate intramuscular	otherwise likewise widthwise waterwise lengthwise clockwise anticlockwise chronic character choir	chemist stomach anchor liquid qualify equivalent picturesque inquisitive equestrian quarantine	monochrome monotone monorail monopoly semiprofessional semiprecious semidetached semicircle centipede centimetre	million millionaire millimetre millipede pentagon pentagram pentathlon octopus October octagon	chef encore restaurant accent cabinet perfume yacht freight landscape balcony	cartoon umbrella gallery coffee orchestra hamburger abseil noodle banana safari
Unit 5	Consonant alternation — silent to sounded		Suffixes ‘fy’ and ‘ee’		Suffixes ‘ate’ and ‘ise’		Suffixes ‘ant’ and ‘ent’		Consolidation	
	resign resignation column columnist soften soft crumb crumble debt debit	sign signal bomb bombard sign signature fasten fast muscle muscular	justify horrify identify magnify notify qualify simplify mystify classify verify	testify employee evacuee refugee trainee interviewee payee nominee trustee devotee	evacuate investigate nominate operate populate regulate separate delegate abbreviate concentrate	advertise apologise criticise maximise minimise recognise utilise synthesise formalise rationalise	migrant assistant attendant consonant participant occupant servant dependant contestant confident	president dependent resident respondent persistent excellent apparent accident different independent		

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Unit 6	Difficult words		Greek roots - 'auto', 'cycl' and 'poly'		Words from other languages		Greek roots — 'therm' and 'dec' Latin stem — 'decem' and 'voc'		Suffixes – 'tion' and 'ion'	
	separate leisure awkward appreciate jewellery previously manageable miscellaneous mortgage knowledge	necessary noticeable occasionally parallel particularly personnel subtle yacht technique possession	autograph automobile autobiography autobiographic automatic automatically autopilot autonomy automated cycle	bicycle cyclone recycle encyclopedia polygon polyhedron polyester polygram polystyrene monopoly	guitar mosquito macaroni balcony delicatessen umbrella ambulance camouflage unique beige	bizarre yoghurt muesli sushi piano restaurant* cappuccino* spaghetti* amateur* bouquet*	thermometer thermal ectotherm endotherm thermostat hypothermia hyperthermia decade December decagon	decathlon decahedron decibels decimal decimate decimetre vocal voice vocation vocabulary	absorption detention resuscitation contradiction detection collection competition education illustration invitation instruction	pollution explanation decision impression conclusion opinion* illusion* pension* question* <small>*Suffix added to word stem</small>
	Diagnostic assessment		Greek roots – 'aster', 'scope' and 'hydro'		More complex compound words Prefixes – 'pro' and 'fore'		Dictionary skills and word games		Consolidation	
		asteroid astrology astrologer astronomy astronomer astronaut asterisk stethoscope telescope gyroscope	periscope kaleidoscope horoscope hydrant hydrotherapy dehydrate rehydrate hydration hydroponics hydrolysis	praiseworthy afterthought commonplace pigeonhole underground masterpiece checkerboard troublemaker firefighter paperback	proactive pronoun prognosis promotion projection foreshadow foreground forethought forefinger forecast					