

In Key Stage 2, the types of spellings and spelling patterns that children are expected to know continues to increase. As well as further 'common exception words' (words that don't follow the usual rules but are used regularly), there is a whole series of spelling patterns and rules to learn. The best way to boost spelling ability is by practising spellings in different ways and having the chance to use them in daily writing. If you wish to boost your child's spelling ability even further, encourage them to read, as exposure to lots of words will lead to a better understanding of spelling. Here are some ideas for different ways to learn your spellings at home which may be useful.

Identify any hidden words in the existing word.

Alphabetical order

Bottle

Rhythm

Spelling

Sound out each word

Sp / e / ll / ing

Make up a mnemonic

Rhythm

Rhythm helps your two

hips move

Create with Colour

Write your words with each letter in a different colour, or write them with all the vowels in blue and all the consonants in red.

spelling

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Build a Sentence

Write each of your words in a sentence. See if you can build your sentences into a story.

One day a huge spelling monster came to my town and ate all the words!

Take a Quiz

Ask someone at home to quiz you. To make it more of a challenge, set a time limit.

1. my
2. spelling
3. words

Keep Copying

Write your words out and using different colours might help.

spelling

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Make the Headlines

Cut letters out of newspapers or magazines and stick them onto paper to make the words in your list.



Build a Pyramid

Make a pyramid using the letters in your words.

W

WO

wor

word

words

