



Heatherside Junior School - Year 5 Spelling Overview



Autumn 1	08/09/25	15/09/25	22/09/25	29/09/25	06/10/25	13/10/25	20/10/25
	Step 23: Adverbs of possibility and frequency	Y4 Step 23: Adverbs of Manner	Step 2: Words ending in ‘-cious’	Step 1: Words ending in ‘-tious’ and ‘-ious’	Step 25: Words that are homophones or near homophones	Step 26: Words that are homophones	Step 16: Words with ‘silent’ first letters
	certainly, definitely, frequently, infrequently, obviously, occasionally, often, probably, possibly, rarely	Reluctantly, quickly, generously, unexpectedly, gently, curiously, furiously, seriously, victoriously, courteously	atrocious, conscious, delicious, ferocious, gracious, luscious, malicious, precious, spacious, suspicious	ambitious, amphibious, curious, devious, fictitious, infectious, notorious, nutritious, repetitious, obvious	advice, advise, device, devise, licence, license, practice, practise, prophecy, prophesy	aisle, isle, allowed, aloud, altar, alter, ascent, assent, farther, father	knife, knight, knowledge, knuckle, mnemonic, pterodactyl, wreath, wreckage, wrestler, writer
Autumn 2	03/11/25	10/11/25	17/11/25	24/11/25	01/12/25	08/12/25	
	Step 17: Words with ‘silent’ letters	Step 20: Words where ‘ei’ can make an /ee/ sound	Step 14: Words that are adverbs of time	Step 6: Challenge Words	Step 12: Challenge words from Y5/6 List	Buffer Week	
	ascend, autumn, build, disciple, doubt, island, lamb, receipt, solemn, thistle	caffeine, conceive, deceive, either, neither, perceive, protein, ceiling, receive, seize	afterwards, earlier, eventually, finally, immediately, previously, recently, tomorrow, whilst, yesterday	appreciate, cemetery, conscious, convenience, environment, immediately, language, sufficient, thorough, vegetable	accommodate, available, controversy, dictionary, marvellous, opportunity, secretary, sincerely, suggest, twelfth	Address any classroom common spelling errors, recap rules from this half term or look at word list.	
Spring 1	05/01/26	12/01/26	19/01/26	26/01/26	02/02/26	09/02/26	
	Step 3: Words ending in ‘-cial’	Step 4: Words ending in ‘-tial’	Step 5: Words ending in ‘-cial’ and ‘-tial’	Step 13: Words ending in ‘-able’, where the ‘e’ from the root word remains	Step 15: Words with suffixes where the base word ends in ‘-fer’	Buffer Week	
	artificial, beneficial, crucial, especially, facial, glacial, judicial, multiracial, official, special	Partial confidential, essential, impartial, influential, potential, preferential, residential, substantial, torrential	commercial, financial, financially, initial, initially, spatial, controversial	agreeable, changeable, irreplaceable, knowledgeable, manageable, microwaveable, noticeable, rechargeable, replaceable, salvageable	conferring, difference, inference, preference, preferred, referee, reference, referring, transference, transferring	Address any classroom common spelling errors, recap rules from this half term or look at word list.	

Spring 2	23/02/26	02/03/26	09/03/26	16/03/26	23/03/26	
	Step 7: Words ending in 'ant'	Step 8: Words ending in 'ance' and 'ancy'	Step 9: Words ending in 'ent' and 'ence'	Step 10: Words ending in 'able' and 'ible'	Step 11: Words ending in 'ably' and 'ibly'	
	abundant, brilliant, constant, distant, dominant, elegant, fragrant, ignorant, tolerant, vacant	abundance, abundancy, brilliance, dominancy, elegance, extravagance, hesitancy, relevancy, tolerance, vacancy	competence, confidence, decent, eloquence, emergent, frequent, innocence, intelligence, transparent, violent	comfortable, dependable, enjoyable, horrible, incredible, possible, reasonable, reliable, terrible, understandable	comfortably, dependably, horribly, incredibly, legibly, possibly, reliably, sensibly, terribly, visibly	
Summer 1	13/04/26	20/04/26	27/06/26	04/05/26	11/05/26	18/05/26
	Step 19: Words with 'ie' after 'c'	Step 21: Words where 'ough' makes an /or/ sound	Step 22: Words containing 'ough'	Step 27: Words that are homophones	Step 28: Words that are homophones or near homophones	Buffer Week
	society, deficient, efficient, emergencies, glacier, inefficient, science, scientists, species, sufficient	afterthought, bought, brought, fought, nought, ought, sought, thought, thoughtfulness, wrought	although, bough, dough, doughnut, enough, plough, rough, though, tough, toughen	bridal, bridle, guessed, guest, heard, herd, morning, mourning, passed, past.	cereal, serial, complement, compliment, principal, principle, stationary, stationery, wary, weary	Address any classroom common spelling errors, recap rules from this half term or look at word list.
Summer 2	01/06/26	08/06/26	15/06/26	22/06/26	29/06/26 onwards	
	Step 29: Words that are homophones or near homophones	Step 31: Words with hyphens	Step 18: Challenge words from Y5/6 List	Step 24: Challenge words from Y5/6 List		
	affect, effect, dessert, desert, draft, draught, precede, proceed, who's, whose	co-author, co-operate, coordinate, co-own, re-educate, re-energise, re-enter, re-evaluate, re-examine, re-explain	amateur, ancient, awkward, criticise, excellent, foreign, pronunciation, symbol, yacht, equipment	accompany, communicate, conscience, desperate, disastrous, interfere, nuisance, queue, restaurant, rhythm,	Recap and revise from the year to secure any misconceptions and weaknesses.	