

Year 8 Spelling Programme

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Term 1 Focus: homophones

by	buy	bye	sew	so	sow
cent	scent	sent	their	they're	there
rein	rain	reign	too	two	to
rode	road	rowed	you	yew	ewe

aloud	allowed	him	hymn	peace	piece
are	our	hole	whole	place	plaice
beach	beech	hour	our	plane	plain
bean	been	in	inn	read	reed
blue	blew	key	quay	right	write
board	bored	knight	night	scene	seen
break	brake	knot	not	see	sea
cell	sell	know	no	stair	stare
cereal	serial	leak	leek	steel	steal
dear	deer	made	maid	sum	some
fate	fete	main	mane	sun	son
flour	flower	meet	meat	tail	tale
grate	great	might	mite	through	threw
hair	hare	morning	mourning	vain	vein
herd	heard	new	knew	waist	waste
here	hear	pane	pain	week	weak

Term 2 Focus: words ending with cian, sion and tion

cian	sion	ssion	tion	other
dietician electrician magician musician optician physician politician	collision confusion corrosion exclusion explosion extension infusion transfusion	discussion mission oppression passion percussion possession profession session	attention diction direction faction fiction fraction proportion reduction	Asian ocean Russian Venetian
ation	etion	ition	otion	ution
demonstration education foundation nation station translation	completion deletion depletion secretion	competition intuition opposition petition position repetition	devotion emotion lotion motion notion promotion	constitution contribution distribution institution pollution revolution

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Term 3 Focus: able and ible

ible	able
credible	adorable
edible	agreeable
forcible	breakable
horrible	disposable
indestructible	enjoyable
invincible	envious
legible	identifiable
possible	manageable
responsible	miserable
reversible	probable
susceptible	reliable
tangible	respectable
terrible	valuable

Term 4 Focus: consonant suffixes

ly	ful	less
actually	beautiful	careless
especially	forgetful	endless
eventually	hateful	fearless
friendly	hopeful	headless
kindly	merciful	homeless
likely	painful	jobless
originally	pitiful	lifeless
personally	resentful	merciless
properly	sorrowful	speechless
really	successful	thankless
weekly	wishful	thoughtless

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Term 5 Focus: ful suffixes

Typical ful words					
boast	boastful	fear	fearful	play	playful
care	careful	hand	handful	scorn	scornful
colour	colourful	harm	harmful	shame	shameful
doubt	doubtful	hope	hopeful	thank	thankful
faith	faithful	mouth	mouthful	wake	wakeful

y words					
beauty	beautiful	fancy	fanciful	pity	pitiful
bounty	bountiful	mercy	merciful	plenty	plentiful

Term 6 Focus: common letter clusters

our	ough	ear	ight	ice	aus
armour	cough	bear	bright	Alice	Australia
flour	drought	dear	eight	apprentice	Austria
hour	enough	dreary	fight	dice	because
journey	plough	earn	freight	mice	cause
mourn	rough	fear	height	nice	clause
ourselves	slough	gear	light	notice	claustrophobia
pour	thorough	hear	might	police	pause
sour	though	hearth	night	practice	sausage
tour	thought	learn	right	rice	
your	through	wear	sight	spice	
	tough	weary	tight	twice	
	trough		weight		
	wrought				