

Year 4 Spelling Focus Overview

Purple Mash: Spelling Scheme Overview
Year 4 – Autumn 1

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Week 1- TEST 13.09.24	Week 2- TEST 20.09.24	Week 3- TEST 27.09.24	Week 4- TEST 04.10.24	Week 5- TEST 11.10.24
Homophones and near Homophones	Homophones and near Homophones	Words with the /s/ sound spelt sc	Statutory word list	Endings which sound like ʃən spelt – sion
A homophone is a word that sounds like another word but has a different meaning.	A homophone is a word that sounds like another word but has a different meaning.	science scene discipline fascinate crescent scissors scenery descent ascend descend	actual address calendar disappear experience particular thought separate difficult weight	-sion meaning = 'the action of' / 'the state of' / 'the result of'.
groan grown affect effect fair fare great grate through threw	heel heal main mane medal meddle key quay check cheque			expansion extension comprehension tension suspension occasion dimension diversion permission discussion

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(includes at least 8 statutory words per half term to cover second 50% of list by end of year)

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Week 6- TEST 18.10.24 Consolidating words this half term				
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
groan through actual threw scenery descent affect discussion great crescent scissors particular diversion	heel mane fare medal grate fascinate address calendar heal quay check cheque	science scene discipline extension thought separate difficult ascend descend meddle suspension occasion permission	effect fair main key disappear weight expansion tension comprehension experience dimension grown	ASSESSMENT

Year 4 - Autumn 2

Week 1- TEST 08.11.24	Week 2- TEST 15.11.24	Week 3- TEST 22.11.24	Week 4- TEST 29.11.24	Week 5- TEST 06.12.24
Prefixes – dis and mis	Prefix – il and il words	Adding suffix – ation	Statutory word list	Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable.
The prefix –dis , now meaning 'not', comes from Latin with the literal meaning of 'apart' or 'away from'. The prefix –mis comes from old English and means 'wrong'.	The prefix il – means 'not' or 'without'. It can give the opposite meaning to a word when added.	-ation is added to a verb to form a noun. A silent e is dropped before adding -ation . When a word ends in a 'y' , change to 'i' before the suffix –ation is added.	notice ordinary certain suppose breathe increase recent quarter group island	forgetting forgotten gardening gardener limiting beginning beginner limitation preferred limitations
disappoint disagree disobey disappear disinfect disconnect misbehave mislead misspell misfortune	illegal illegible illuminate illogical illiterate illicit illumination illusion illusive illustration	information adoration sensation preparation admiration foundation qualification experimentation exploration examination		

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Week 6 - TEST 13.12.24 Consolidating words this half term				
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
illegal ordinary breathe preparation admiration illiterate illicit illustration disappoint disappear adoration sensation disinfect	information disconnect illumination illusion illusive misbehave mislead gardener limiting increase recent quarter misfortune	notice group island limitation disagree illegible illuminate illogical foundation qualification beginning beginner	forgetting forgotten gardening limitations preferred disobey experimentation exploration examination certain suppose misspell	ASSESSMENT

Year 4 - Spring 1

Week 1- TEST 10.01.25	Week 2- TEST 17.01.25	Week 3- TEST 24.01.25	Week 4- TEST 31.01.25	Week 5- TEST 07.02.25
Recap Autumn Term	Words ending with the /g/ sound spelt – gue and the /k/ sound spelt -que	Endings which sound like ʃən spelt – ssion	Statutory word list	words with the /k/ sound spelt ch
admiration foundation forgotten gardening great grate main mane fascinate comprehension	league tongue antique unique fatigue intrigue rogue vague opaque plaque	-ssion meaning = ‘the action of/ ‘the state of/ ‘the result of’. -ssion is used if the root word ends in ss or mit . expression possession discussion confession permission admission impression omission emission commission	although through potatoes enough possess natural believe different possible probably	scheme chorus chemist echo character ache monarch stomach orchid orchestra

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Week 6- TEST 14.02.25 Consolidating words this half term				
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
emission commission league tongue possess natural fatigue intrigue rogue vague fascinate comprehension	expression character ache possession discussion enough confession permission admission plaque main mane admiration	although through chorus chemist echo potatoes believe stomach orchid impression great grate foundation	scheme omission opaque different possible probably monarch orchestra antique unique forgotten gardening	ASSESSMENT

Year 4 - Spring 2

Week 1- TEST 28.02.25	Week 2- TEST 07.03.25	Week 3- TEST 14.03.25	Week 4 - TEST 21.03.25	Week 5- TEST 18.03.25
Endings which sound like ʃən spelt – tion	Suffix – ous	Suffix – ous	Statutory word list	Homophones and near homophones
Means 'the action of' / 'the state of' / 'the result of'. - tion is the most common spelling for /ʃən/ sound; used if the root word ends in t or te .	-ous originates in old French and means 'having' or 'full of'.	-ous originates in old French and means 'having' or 'full of'.	complete opposite experiment naughty grammar knowledge favourite caught promise occasion	A homophone is a word that sounds like another word but has a different meaning.
invention injection hesitation completion continuation opposition pollution question affection attraction	poisonous dangerous mountainous famous various tremendous enormous jealous continuous contentious	courageous outrageous serious obvious curious hideous spontaneous courteous disastrous glamorous		weather whether whose who's accept except reign rein dear deer

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Week 6 - TEST 04.04.25

Consolidating words this half term

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
invention injection opposition pollution various tremendous enormous dear deer attraction contentious accept	poisonous dangerous obvious curious mountainous famous jealous who's except reign caught courteous question	courageous serious hideous continuous disastrous glamorous weather whether hesitation completion continuation outrageous	complete opposite experiment naughty grammar knowledge favourite occasion rein spontaneous whose promise affection	ASSESSMENT

Year 4 - Summer 1

Week 1- TEST 25.04.25	Week 2- TEST 02.05.25	Week 3- TEST 09.05.25	Week 4- TEST 16.05.25	Week 5- TEST 23.05.25
Recap – Spring Term	Suffix – ly	prefix – sub, anti and auto	Statutory word list	Prefix - inter
weather whether serious obvious completion dangerous mountainous tongue antique expression	If the root word ends in with – ic, ally I added . -ly often has the meaning of 'like'.	sub – means 'under' or 'below'. anti – means 'against' or 'opposite of'. auto- means 'self'.	purpose straight surprise therefore pressure peculiar heard important interest consider	inter- comes from Latin and means 'between', 'among' or 'together'.
	basic basically frantic frantically dramatic dramatically historic historically optimistic optimistically	subdivide subheading submarine submerge antiseptic anticlockwise antisocial antibiotic autobiography autograph		interact intercity international interrelated interchange interconnected internet intermediate intermission interweave

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Week 6- TEST 06.06.25 Consolidating words this half term				
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
weather whether serious obvious completion dangerous mountainous tongue antique expression surprise consider	frantically subheading submarine submerge interact intercity dramatic dramatically historic historically heard important	subdivide antiseptic interrelated interchange autobiography autograph internet optimistic optimistically interweave straight therefore antisocial	purpose antibiotic pressure peculiar international interconnected basic basically frantic interest anticlockwise intermediate intermission	ASSESSMENT

Year 4 - Summer 2

Week 1-TEST 13.06.25	Week 2- TEST 20.06.25	Week 3- TEST 27.06.25	Week 4 TEST 03.07.25			
Possessive apostrophes with plural words	Possessive apostrophes with plural words	Statutory word list	Consolidating words this half term			
apostrophe is added at the end of plural words ending in s	s comes after the apostrophe if the plural does not end in s		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
girls' boys' babies' houses' sisters' trolleys' potatoes' pizzas' buses' arches'	children's people's men's mice's women's geese's fishermen's oxen's teeth's police's	business medicine accident accidentally actually continue forward forwards length occasionally though woman	girls' boys' business accident babies' houses' sisters' trolleys' potatoes' arches'	children's men's mice's actually continue forward oxen's teeth's police's length	occasionally though pizzas' buses' forwards people's woman women's geese's fishermen's	ASSESSMENT

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Week 5- TEST 11.07.25 End of year statutory words assessment (first half of full Y3&4 list)					Week 6- TEST 18.07.25 End of year statutory words assessment (second half of full Y3&4 list)				
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
accident accidentally actual actually address answer appear arrive believe bicycle breath breathe build	busy business calendar caught centre century certain circle complete consider continue decide describe	different difficult disappear early earth eight eighth enough exercise experience experiment extreme famous	favourite forward forwards fruit grammar group guard guide heard heart height history imagine	ASSESSMENT	increase important interest island knowledge learn length library material medicine mention minute natural	naughty notice occasion occasionally often ordinary particular opposite peculiar perhaps popular position possess	possession possible potatoes pressure probably promise purpose quarter question recent regular reign remember sentence	separate special straight strange strength suppose surprise although thought through various weight woman women	ASSESSMENT