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| **Testing period: week commencing** | **Tue 4th January** | **10th January** | **17th January** | **24th January** | **31st January** | **7th February** | **14th February** |
| **Round 1:**  **Key Words** | accommodate  criticise  individual  relevant | curiosity  interfere  restaurant  according | interrupt  rhyme  achieve  desperate | rhythm  aggressive  determined  leisure | amateur  develop  lightning  secretary | dictionary  marvellous  shoulder  apparent | mischievous  signature  appreciate  embarrass |
| **Round 2: Spelling Rule** | **Suffix: -cious**  vicious  precious  conscious  delicious  malicious | **Suffix: -tious**  ambitious  cautious  fictitious  nutritious  anxious\* | **Suffix: -cial**  official  special  artificial  financial  commercial | **Suffix: -tial**  essential  partial  confidential  initial  palatial\* | **Suffix: -ant, -ance/-ancy**  observance  expectant  hesitancy  tolerant  assistant\* | **Suffix: -ent, -ence/-ency**  innocent  decency  frequent  obedience\*  independence\* | **Suffix: -able/ -ably**  adorably  considerable  changeable  noticeable  legible |
| **Round 3:**  **Mystery Spellings**  Learn the rule.  You will be tested on 5 more words which follow this week’s rule. | If the root word ends in **–ce**, the ‘sh’ sound is usually spelt as **c**  e.g. *vice – vicious*, *grace – gracious*, *space – spacious*, *malice – malicious.* | \*this is an exception! | **–cial** is common after a vowel letter and **–tial** after a consonant letter, but there are some exceptions. | **–cial** is common after a vowel letter and **–tial** after a consonant letter, but there are some exceptions.  \*this is an exception! | Use **–ant** and **–ance/–ancy** if there is a related word with a short **a** vowel or **ay/a\_e** sound in the right position; –**ation** endings are often a clue.  \*this is an exception! | Use **–ent** and **–ence/–ency** after soft **c,** soft **g** and **qu**, or if there is a related word with a clear short **e** vowel in the right position.  \*these are exceptions! | The **– able** ending is used if there is a related word ending in **–ation**.  If the **–able** ending is added to a word ending in **–ce** or **–ge**, the **e** after the **c** or **g** must be kept as those letters would otherwise have their ‘hard’ sounds (as in *cap* and *gap*) before the **a** of the **–able** ending. |
| **Round 4: Homophones** | aisle/isle | aloud/allowed | affect/effect | altar/alter | ascent/assent | bridal/bridle | cereal/serial |