

| Testing period: week commencing | <u>Tue 31st</u> <u>October</u> | <u>6th November</u> | <u>13th November</u> | <u>20th November</u> | <u>27th November</u> | <u>4th December</u> | <u>11th December</u> |
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| Round 1: Key Words | dictionary marvellous shoulder apparent disastrous muscle | mischievous signature appreciate embarrass sacrifice ancient | sincere attached environment necessary language definite | available equip neighbour stomach recommend accompany | especially nuisance sufficient awkward correspond immediately | exaggerate occupy suggest bargain identity recognise | 6 mystery key words from this term |
| Round 2: Spelling Rule | <u>Suffix: -ent, -ence/-ency</u> innocence decent frequency confident obedient | <u>Suffix: -able/-ably</u> adorable considerably applicable tolerably traceable | <u>Suffix: -able/-ably</u> adaptable comfortable predictable enjoyable reliably | <u>Suffix: -ible/-ibly</u> sensible possible horribly visibly incredible | <u>Words ending in -fer</u> referring preferring transferred reference transference | <u>Use of the hyphen</u> co-operate co-own three-quarters part-time high-tech | 2 mystery spellings from each of the rules this term |
| Round 3: Mystery Spellings Learn the rule. You will be tested on 5 more words which follow this week's rule. | Use -ent and -ence/-ency after soft c (/s/ sound), soft g (/d ₃ / sound) and qu , or if there is a related word with a clear /ε/ sound in the right position. | 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 <i>cap</i> and <i>gap</i>) before the a of the -able ending. | The -able ending is usually but not always used if a complete root word can be heard before it, even if there is no related word ending in -ation . The first three examples above are obvious; in <i>reliably</i> , the complete word <i>rely</i> is heard, but the y changes to i . | The -ible ending is common if a complete root word can't be heard before it but it also sometimes occurs when a complete word <i>can</i> be heard (e.g. <i>sensible</i>). | Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer The r is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added. The r is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed. | Hyphens can be used to join a prefix to a root word, especially if the prefix ends in a vowel letter and the root word also begins with one. They are also used for numbers and compound words. | |
| Round 4: Homophones | bridal/bridle | cereal/serial | compliment/complement | descent/dissent | desert/dessert | draft/draught | |