| Testing period: week commencing | Tuesday $2^{\text {nd }}$ January | $88^{\text {th }}$ January | $15^{\text {th }}$ January | $22^{\text {nd }}$ January | 29 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ January | $5^{\text {th }}$ February |
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| Round 1: <br> Key Words | excellent occur symbol bruise queue convenience | equipment opportunity system category hindrance controversy | parliament temperature cemetery familiar harass pronunciation | thorough committee foreign physical yacht conscious | communicate forty prejudice variety frequently privilege | 6 mystery key words from this term |
| Round 2: Spelling Rule | Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c <br> conceive <br> perceive <br> caffeine <br> either ('ee-ther') <br> neither ('nee-ther') | ough: "aw" sound <br> wrought <br> sought <br> afterthought <br> overbought <br> outfought | ough: "uh" sound <br> clough <br> chough <br> tough <br> Middlesbrough <br> Peterborough | ough: "ow" sounds <br> although <br> cough* <br> plough <br> breakthrough <br> furlough | Silent letters: b and <br> n <br> comb <br> climb <br> bomb <br> subtle <br> condemn | 2 mystery spellings from each of the rules this term |
| Round 3: <br> Mystery <br> Spellings <br> Learn the rule. <br> You will be <br> tested on 5 <br> more words <br> which follow <br> this week's rule. | The i before e except after c' rule applies to words where the sound spelt by ei is $/ \mathrm{i}: /$. <br> Exceptions: protein, caffeine, seize (and either and neither if pronounced with an initial /i:/ sound). | ough is one of the trickiest spellings in English - it can be used to spell a number of different sounds. <br> This week, we are just looking at words which rhyme with the /o: / sound: yawn at dawn. | ough is one of the trickiest spellings in English - it can be used to spell a number of different sounds. <br> This week, we are just looking at words which rhyme with the /^/ vowel sound: under, up, puddle | This week we are looking at a number of different sounds. <br> 1. words which rhyme with this phonic sound: blow the snow <br> 2. words which rhyme with this phonic sound: brown cow <br> 3. Exceptions* | Some letters which are no longer sounded used to be sounded hundreds of years ago. <br> The silent $b$ often comes before $t$, or after $m$ at the end of a word. <br> The silent $n$ often follows $m$ at the end of a word. |  |
| Round 4: <br> Homophones | whose/who's | wary/weary | steal/steel | stationary/ <br> stationery | profit/prophet | guest/guessed |

