

How to learn spelling words

Use some of these activities to make spelling more fun. However you decide to learn the words, you must learn each word at least ten times. It is better to learn at least one of the words very well rather than forgetting them all!

- Look, Cover, Write, Check
- Make the word with play-doh several times
- Stick the words on the fridge and learn them every time you open the fridge door
- Type them on the computer and change the font
- Type them using WordArt
- Draw pictures around the word
- Cut around their shape
- Paint the words on paper
- Make the letters using leaves and sticks or anything!
- Make the letters using pasta
- Write a story using all the spellings
- Write the words using different colours. Use one colour for the vowels and one for the consonants
- Play hangman with your words
- Create a wordsearch
- Make pairs of word cards. Flip them over and try to match the pairs!

- Use your finger to write your spelling word on Mum or Dad's back. They have to guess the word.
- Have your Mum or Dad sing the letters of a spelling word to you in a loud voice. You echo the spelling and then sing it again softly. Now BOTH of you sing the word in the voice you choose!
- Write out your spelling words in big letters on a big sheet of paper. Give your parents clues like we do during Morning Meeting. ("The first letter is _ and the last letter is _.")
- Use old magazines, catalogues, or newspapers to cut out letters and glue them down to spell your words!
- Write words as if they are stairs, adding one letter each time.

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- Make a square of 4 rows of dots with 4 dots in each row. Before taking a turn, the player must spell a spelling word. If the word is correct, he connects two dots. When a player forms a square, he can write his initials in the box. Player with most squares at the end wins.
- Print one of your spelling words neatly. Take a coloured pen and draw an outline around the word, closely following the shapes of the letters. Close your eyes and remember the shape. Now try to write the word.