

Catrine Primary School

Fun Spelling Tasks

Rainbow Spelling - write each spelling word four times using different colours

Fancy Spelling - first, write each word in regular writing and then write them again in fancy letters (squiggly, bubbly, curly)

Dot Spelling - write your spelling words in dots, then connect the dots by tracing over them with a coloured pencil

Upper and Lower Case Spelling - first, write each word in UPPERCASE letters and then write them again in lowercase letters.

Spell-er-cise - pretend you're a cheerleader and call out your words! Stretch your hands above your heads for letters that touch the top writing line, put your hands at your waist for letters in the middle and touch your toes for letters that go on the bottom line.

eg: bag b (above) a (waist) g (toes)

Type Them Spelling - type your spelling words on the computer, then change the font of each word.

Rhyming Spelling - write each of your spelling words and, next to it, write a rhyming word which follows the same spelling pattern. The rhyming word can be a nonsense word!

Triangular Spelling - write your spelling words in a triangular shape

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Match Up Spelling - write each word on two different pieces of paper, then turn all your cards face down and mix them up. Lay out your cards in rows and turn over two cards at a time. Read each card aloud and keep them if they match. If they don't match, put the card back face down and try again.

Magazine Words - use old magazines/newspapers and find your words - or letters that make up your words - to cut out and glue onto paper.

Spelling Strategies

Mnemonics - for tricky words, make up a saying or phrase to help you remember how to spell it.

eg beautiful - boys eat apples under trees in France until lunch

Syllables - split your words into the syllables it contains

eg ex-per-i-ment (be careful if there are silent letters in the word!)

Compound Words - if it can, break the whole word into other words with no extra letters

eg play/ground, foot/ball, black/board

Words within Words - use if you can see a word that you can spell inside the original word

eg holiday, practising

Family Words - focus on words which have the same 'string' of letters

eg light, sight, might, tight



Spelling practice
doesn't have to
be B-O-R-I-N-G