Active Spelling Strategies

Rainbow Write: First write each word in pencil. Then trace over each word three times. Each time you trace, you must use a DIFFERENT colour of pencil/crayon. Trace neatly and you will see a rainbow.

Hidden Words: Draw and colour a picture. Hide your spelling words inside your picture. Show your picture to someone and see if they can find your hidden words.

Story, Story: Write a story using ALL of your spelling words. Be sure to underline your spelling words in your paragraph.

Squiggly Spelling Words: You are going to write your spelling words two times. First write in regular letters. Then write the words again in squiggly letters.

Bubble Letter: Write your spelling words in bubble letters. After you write your words in bubble letters, colour your words with a crayon or coloured pencil.

Buzzing Bees: Draw and colour an outdoor picture. Count your spelling words. Draw a bee for each of your spelling words. Then write the words inside each of the 'spelling' bees. Write neatly.

Mystery Words: Get a partner to spell your weekly words using their fingers on your back. You have to guess what the word is.

Spelling Battle: Mix your spelling words in with some really tricky words to test a partner. You must know how to spell the words yourself because you have to be able to spell it to stay in the game.

Pictionary: Get a spelling partner to draw a picture that gives a clue about your spelling word. Can you guess and spell it correctly.

Hidden Words: Write out the spelling words your partner calls out. In a minute see how many smaller words you can make using those letters.

Tennis Spelling: Take the first word from your spelling list e.g dangerous. Bat the spelling of a word back and forward between a minimum of two people e.g player 1 says 'd', player 2 says 'a', player 1 says 'n' right up till the end of the word. Bat the spelling of the same word backwards but change the order of starter e.g player 2 says 's', player 1 says 'u', player 1 says 'o' all the way back to the 'd' at the beginning of 'dangerous'. Repeat this process for all other words on the spelling list.