

Functional Skills Spelling

Key Stage 3

Year 1- 2023-2024

Term 1: EL1 check, spelling strategies, 100/200 high frequency words, spelling age test, British/American differences, common exception words

Term 2: Common homophones, Common prefixes and suffixes, dropping the 'e' for suffixes, doubling consonants, changing 'y' to 'i', 'tion' endings, words with silent syllables, EL2 progress check

Term 3: Uncommon homophones, the following word endings: -ion, -ian, -tious, -cious, -cial, -tial, -ation, -ant, -ance, -ent, -ency, -able, -ably (with and without dropping the 'e'), -ible, -ibly, common words with hyphens, more words with silent syllables. EL3 progress check

Year 2 - 2024-2025

Term 1: Spelling Strategies, 100/200 High Frequency Words, Spelling Age Test, British/American differences, common exception words

Term 2: Common homophones, Common prefixes and suffixes, dropping the 'e' for suffixes, doubling consonants, changing 'y' to 'i', 'tion' endings, words with silent syllables

Term 3: Uncommon homophones, the following word endings: -ion, -ian, -tious, -cious, -cial, -tial, -ation, -ant, -ance, -ent, -ency, -able, -ably (with and without dropping the 'e'), -ible, -ibly, common words with hyphens, more words with silent syllables, EL3 progress check

Year 3 2025-2026

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Key Stage 4 - Functional Skills



Pathway chosen depending on staff, student and parental choice



Year 1

Term 1: Tier 2 Words, Britain's Most Commonly Misspelled Words

Term 2: Homophones, Tier 3 Words,
Term 3: Students fill in gaps from KS3 and KS4 using SpellZone course.

Year 2

Term 1: Tier 2 Words, Britain's Most Commonly Misspelled Words

Term 2: Homophones, Tier 3 Words
Term 3: Students fill in gaps from KS3 and KS4 using SpellZone course.



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Key Stage 4 - GCSE

Year 1

Spelling is not taught as an isolated lesson in the GCSE course. Teaching of spelling is provided through feedback.

Year 2

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