

Learning your spellings

YEAR 6



How do we know when a spelling has been learned?

Learning a spelling word is more than just being able to spell it for a test.

If a spelling is truly learned then it should be spelt correctly and consistently.

When a learned spelling is spelt incorrectly, you should be able to identify your mistake and edit it.

To fully learn a spelling you must be able to understand the rule and why it is spelt that way.

You should be able to use the word in context correctly.

Short term and long term memory

A short learn will not help you spell accurately in your writing.

Just learning words for a test means that you will not retain the spelling long term and may not be able to apply it in your writing.

This is why it is important that we always revisit the spelling rules to ensure accuracy and to embed it in our long-term memory.

Ideas to support learning spellings

Please see the KS2 spelling menu as well as the spelling rule Powerpoint.

Finding fun ways to practise spellings can make it more enjoyable and you will be more likely to remember them.

You may prefer to practise your spellings in a notebook so they are all in one place.

Alternatively, if you would like a small book to practise them in then just let your teacher know and we will sort one.