






MERIDIAN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

Learning for Life



Spelling strategies to support parents and carers

To help support your child with learning their spellings, I have comprised a list of different spelling strategies you might like to try at home. A copy of their termly spellings can be found on the jotter each short term.

Quick write	Write the word correctly as many times as possible in one minute. Can you beat your score next time?
Hidden words	Can children find any words hidden in their spelling word? This might help them to remember how to spell it. E.g. Earth has the word ear hidden. Un fortun ate ly – fort and ate
Mnemonics	A mnemonic is another strategy used to help children learn the order of letters in a word. For example: <u>b</u> ig <u>e</u> lephants <u>c</u> an <u>a</u> dd <u>u</u> p <u>s</u> ums <u>e</u> asily.
Clap the syllables	Clap and count the syllables in the word.
Drawing an image around the word	 <p>This strategy is all about making a word memorable. Draw pictures linked to the meaning of the word to help remember the spelling.</p>
Drawing to connect words	 <p>A drawing could also be used to connect words together.</p> <p>For example, to connect words using 'tch' for /ch/, a child has imagined a witch with a patch stitched onto her dress, using a crutch, on a football pitch in the middle of a match, wearing a watch, scratching an itch!</p>
Pyramid words	<p>p py pyr pyra pyram pyrami pyramid</p> <p>Write each letter of the word, one at a time, to create a pyramid.</p>
Scrabble words	 <p>Write the word. How many points does each word make with the Scrabble letter?</p>

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