Sulhamstead and Ufton Nervet Primary School

Y5/6 Spelling Programme (Two 30-minute sessions per week)

Lesson Structure

Review

Oral retrieval

Read and spell previous words

Morpheme review

- identify root
- identify prefix
- identify suffix

(Example: unhelpful un + help + ful)

Teach

Explicit Teaching

Introduce rule

Explain morpheme

Generate word family

Identify meaning

(Example: appear disappear appeared appearance)

Practise

Word sort

Morpheme building

Spot the mistake

Dictation fragments

Partner quiz

Apply

Sentence writing

Proofreading challenge

Spelling choice task

Weekly Retrieval Session

15 words every week

5 Current Pattern Words

5 Previous Pattern Words

5 Statutory Words

Plus:

- dictation sentence
- proofreading challenge
- quick test

Week	Session 1	Session 2
Week 1	**Prefix de** **Morpheme focus:** activate → deactivate → deactivation Target words: decode defrost deactivate decompose detach decline decrease deflate demotivate devalue	**Suffix dge** **Morpheme focus:** judge → judging → judgement Target words: badge bridge judge nudge lodge dodge smudge grudge pledge hedge
Week 2	**Homophones** **Morpheme focus:** they → they're who → who's Target words: their there they're whose who's hear here allowed aloud brake	**Suffix ous** **Morpheme focus:** danger → dangerous → dangerously Target words: dangerous famous nervous poisonous adventurous courageous mountainous spacious outrageous tremendous
Week 3	**Prefix re** **Morpheme focus:** play → replay → replayed Target words: rebuild rewrite replay revisit reappear react reconsider rediscover recycle return	**Suffix ion** **Morpheme focus:** invent → invention → inventor Target words: information invention education correction completion collection operation celebration occupation inspection
Week 4	**Contractions (it's, its)** **Morpheme focus:** it is → it's it + possessive → its Target words: it's its can't don't didn't won't I've you're we'll she'd	**Adding ly** **Morpheme focus:** happy → happily careful → carefully Target words: carefully beautifully happily gently excitedly slowly completely suddenly angrily gracefully
Week 5	**Adding Suffixes** (-ed, -ing, -er, -est) Morpheme focus: play playing player Target words preferred beginning admitted forgetting biggest sadder	**Doubling Consonants** Morpheme focus permit permitted permitting Target words occurred occurring referred referring regretted beginning
Week 6	**-tion** Morpheme focus invent invention inspect inspection Target words invention completion correction inspection education information	**-sion, -ssion, -cian** Morpheme focus discuss discussion express expression Target words discussion expression confusion musician electrician profession
Week 7	**Prefixes: un-, dis-, mis-** Morpheme focus agree disagree behave misbehave Target words misbehave disappoint disagree dishonest unhelpful unnecessary	**Prefixes: re-, sub-, inter-** Morpheme focus act react national international Target words international submarine subheading react rebuild interact

Week 8	**Prefixes:** super-, anti-, auto- Target words automatic autograph antiseptic antisocial supermarket superhuman	**Homophones** Target words their there they're whose who's advice advise practice practise
Week 9	**Silent Letters** Target words knowledge gnaw knight solemn island lamb	**Statutory Word Families** Target words necessary necessarily environment environmental criticise criticism
Week 10	**-able and -ably** Morpheme focus enjoy enjoyable depend dependable Target words comfortable reliable enjoyable considerable reasonably dependably	**ible and -ibly** Target words possible possibly sensible sensibly terrible terribly
Week 11	**-ant and -ance** Target words important importance observant observance assistant assistance	**ent and -ence** Target words silent silence absent absence confident confidence
Week 12	**ancy and -ency** Target words vacancy occupancy frequency consistency emergency efficiency	**cial and -tial** Target words special official artificial partial essential substantial
Week 13	**cially and -tially** Target words officially especially artificially partially substantially essentially	**Words from Greek and Latin Roots** Root focus: spect = look port = carry scrib = write Target words inspect spectator portable transport describe subscription
Week 14	**ei, eigh and ie Patterns** Target words neighbour weight eight foreign either believe	**Words Ending in -sure and -ture** Target words treasure pleasure measure picture creature adventure
Week 15	**Y5/6 Statutory Words:** Group 1 accommodate conscience embarrass rhythm privilege profession	**Y5/6 Statutory Words:** Group 2 controversy desperate determined convenience sincerely harass
Week 16	**Proofreading Strategies** identify morphemes check suffixes check prefixes word-family links editing activities	**Assessment** Analysis of: suffixes prefixes statutory words homophones morphemes

BASELINE ASSESSMENT

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To identify strengths and gaps in spelling knowledge.
Review (5 mins)	Discuss: What makes a good speller? What strategies do we already use? Introduce the terms root word, prefix, suffix and morpheme.
Teach (5 mins)	Discuss with children how spellers spot patterns. Display: unhappy = un + happy, information = in + form + ation. Explain that spellings are often built from meaningful parts called **morphemes.**
Examples	unhappy, disagreement, information, impossible
Common Misconceptions	Thinking long words must be memorised as one chunk.
Practise (15 mins)	Complete baseline assessment (40 words). Include prefixes, suffixes, statutory words, silent letters and homophones.
Apply (5 mins)	Children highlight: Green = secure, Amber = unsure, Red = need support. Set personal target.

Baseline Assessment Words

necessary, government, disappear, information, discussion, confidence, receive, believe, island, knight, profession, occupation, foreign, achievable, possibly, assistant, confidence, frequency, official, especially, essential, creature, reliable, environmental, antisocial, international, autograph, valuable, responsible, silence, patience, musician, electricity, secretary, yacht, conscience, embarrassment, convince, opportunity, signature

SESSION: PREFIX de-

Weekly Word List

decode, defrost, deactivate, decompose, detach, decline, decrease, deflate, demotivate, devalue

Retrieval

Current words

- decode
- defrost
- deactivate
- decrease
- detach

Previous words

- government
- confidence
- profession
- occupation
- necessary

Statutory words

- opportunity
- conscience
- convenience
- signature
- rhythm

Dictation

The scientist needed to deactivate the machine before it began to decompose.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- decoad
- deattach
- decreese
- deflait
- decompose

Answers:

decode, detach, decrease, deflate, decompose

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To understand and spell words containing the prefix de-.
Review (5 mins)	Discuss previously learned prefixes and what they tell us about meaning.
Teach (10 mins)	The prefix de- often means remove, reverse or reduce. Display: activate → deactivate, frost → defrost. Think aloud: "I know activate means turn on. Deactivate means turn off because de- reverses the meaning." Build a word family and discuss meanings.
Examples	deactivate, defrost, decode, decrease, detach
Spelling Detective	deactivate = de + activate
Common Misconceptions	Forgetting the prefix changes meaning; writing deattach
Practise (10 mins)	Match root words to de- words. Create morpheme cards. Complete sentence cloze activity.
Apply (5 mins)	Write three sentences using different de- words.

SESSION: SUFFIX -DGE

Weekly Word List

badge, bridge, judge, nudge, lodge, dodge, smudge, grudge, pledge, hedge

Retrieval

Current words

- badge
- bridge
- judge
- nudge
- lodge

Previous words

- decode
- defrost
- deactivate
- decrease
- detach

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- people
- could
- should

Dictation

The judge stood on the bridge and made a solemn pledge.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- bage
- brige
- juge
- nudg
- lodg

Answers:

badge, bridge, judge, nudge, lodge

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -dge.
Review (5 mins)	Review short vowel sounds.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how when we hear the /j/ sound after a short vowel, we often spell it with dge." Display badge, bridge and judge. Explain that the short vowel protects the dge spelling. Think aloud: "I can hear a short vowel in badge, so I need dge."
Examples	badge, bridge, judge, hedge, lodge
Spelling Detective	bridge contains a short vowel before dge
Common Misconceptions	bage, brige, juge
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words into dge and ge groups. Highlight short vowels.
Apply (5 mins)	Create a sentence using badge and bridge.

HOMOPHONES

Weekly Word List

their, there, they're, whose, who's, hear, here, allowed, aloud, brake

Retrieval

Current words

- their
- there
- they're
- hear
- here

Previous words

- badge
- bridge
- judge
- decode
- deactivate

Statutory words

- people
- because
- beautiful
- could
- would

Dictation

They're standing over there because their teacher allowed them to read aloud.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- Their going home.
- There football is red.
- I can here music.
- Read this alouded.
- Whose going first?

Answers:

They're, Their, hear, aloud, Who's

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To distinguish between common homophones.
Review (5 mins)	Explain what a homophone is.
Teach (10 mins)	Homophones sound the same but are spelled differently because they have different meanings." Model their/there/they're. Think aloud: "If I can replace they're with they are, I know it is correct."
Examples	their/there/they're, hear/here, who's/whose
Spelling Detective	they're = they are
Common Misconceptions	Using there for possession and their for place
Practise (10 mins)	Cloze sentences and partner explanation tasks.
Apply (5 mins)	Write three sentences using a different homophone pair in each.

SUFFIX -OUS

Weekly Word List

dangerous, famous, nervous, poisonous, adventurous, courageous, mountainous, spacious, outrageous, tremendous

Retrieval

Current words

- dangerous
- famous
- nervous
- courageous
- mountainous

Previous words

- their
- there
- they're
- hear
- here

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- opportunity
- conscience
- government

Dictation

The courageous explorer began a dangerous journey across the mountainous landscape.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- fameous
- dangerus
- nerveous
- courageos
- mountanous

Answers:
famous, dangerous, nervous, courageous, mountainous

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -ous.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieve homophone spellings.
Teach (10 mins)	The suffix -ous often means full of. Famous means full of fame and dangerous means full of danger. Display root words and add the suffix. Think aloud: "I know danger so I can build dangerous."
Examples	famous, dangerous, nervous, courageous
Spelling Detective	courageous = courage + ous
Common Misconceptions	dangerus, fameous, nerveous
Practise (10 mins)	Match roots to completed words. Morpheme investigation task.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a descriptive paragraph using three -ous words.

PREFIX re-

Weekly Word List

rebuild, rewrite, replay, revisit, reappear, react, reconsider, rediscover, recycle, return

Retrieval

Current words

- rebuild
- rewrite
- replay
- revisit
- recycle

Previous words

- dangerous
- famous
- nervous
- courageous
- bridge

Statutory words

- government
- opportunity
- conscience
- signature
- rhythm

Dictation

The team decided to rebuild the model and reconsider their original design.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- rewritee

- rebild
- revisitt
- rediscoverd
- recykle

Answers:

rewrite, rebuild, revisit, rediscovered, recycle

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words containing the prefix re-.
Review (5 mins)	Recall meanings of previously taught prefixes.
Teach (10 mins)	The prefix re- usually means again or back. Display build → rebuild and visit → revisit. Think aloud: "If I rebuild something, I build it again." Discuss how meaning helps spelling.
Examples	rebuild, rewrite, revisit, recycle
Spelling Detective	reconsider = re + consider
Common Misconceptions	rebild, revist, recykle
Practise (10 mins)	Build words from root cards and prefix cards.
Apply (5 mins)	Explain how re- changes a word's meaning.

SUFFIX -ION

Weekly Word List

information, invention, education, discussion, correction, completion, collection, operation, celebration, occupation

Retrieval

Current words

- information
- invention
- education
- correction
- occupation

Previous words

- rebuild
- rewrite
- replay
- dangerous
- courageous

Statutory words

- government
- convenience
- conscience
- opportunity
- rhythm

Dictation

The inspection provided important information about the educational programme.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- informashon
- collectoin

- inventoin
- operashon
- educashon

Answers:
information, collection, invention, operation, education

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -ion.
Review (5 mins)	Review suffixes and morphemes.
Teach (10 mins)	The suffix -ion turns many verbs into nouns. It often means the act of or process of. Display invent → invention and educate → education. Think aloud: "I know invent is the root, then I add ion."
Examples	invention, information, education, occupation
Spelling Detective	occupation = occupy + ation
Common Misconceptions	inventoin, educashon, collectoin
Practise (10 mins)	Match roots to nouns. Sort word families.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a sentence using information and occupation.

CONTRACTIONS (IT'S / ITS)

Weekly Word List

it's, its, can't, don't, didn't, won't, I've, you're, we'll, she'd

Retrieval

Current words

- it's
- its
- can't
- don't
- you're

Previous words

- information
- invention
- rebuild
- dangerous
- famous

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- opportunity
- government
- conscience

Dictation

It's important to remember that its tail helps the animal balance.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- Its raining.
- The dog wagged it's tail.
- Your amazing.
- Dont forget.

- Well be late.

Answers:

It's, its, You're, Don't, We'll

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To distinguish between possession and contractions.
Review (5 mins)	Review apostrophes in familiar contractions.
Teach (10 mins)	An apostrophe shows where letters have been removed. Display: it is → it's. Explain that its shows possession and does not need an apostrophe. Think aloud: "If I can replace it's with it is, I know I've chosen the correct spelling."
Examples	it's, its, can't, don't, you're
Spelling Detective	it's = it is
Common Misconceptions	Using it's for possession
Practise (10 mins)	Decide whether each sentence needs it's or its.
Apply (5 mins)	Write four sentences correctly using it's and its.

ADDING -LY

Weekly Word List

carefully, beautifully, happily, gently, excitedly, slowly, completely, suddenly, carefully, angrily

Retrieval

Current words

- carefully
- beautifully
- happily
- gently
- excitedly

Previous words

- it's
- its
- information
- invention
- rebuild

Statutory words

- government
- convenience
- conscience
- opportunity
- signature

Dictation

The children worked carefully and happily as they completed the challenging task.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- carefullly
- happyly
- beautifuly
- gentley
- compleatly

Answers:

carefully, happily, beautifully, gently, completely

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell adverbs created by adding -ly.
Review (5 mins)	Review adjectives and suffixes.
Teach (10 mins)	Adding -ly often changes an adjective into an adverb. Display happy → happily and careful → carefully. Explain the y → i rule. Think aloud: "Happy ends in y, so before adding ly I change y to i."
Examples	happily, carefully, beautifully, angrily
Spelling Detective	happily = happy + ly
Common Misconceptions	happyly, beautifuly, carefullly
Practise (10 mins)	Word-building activity. Sort adjectives and adverbs.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a short paragraph including three -ly adverbs.

ADDING -ED, -ING, -ER, -EST

Weekly Word List

jumped, jumping, helped, helping, cleaner, strongest, quickest, happiest, played, playing

Retrieval

Current: jumped, jumping, helped, helping, strongest

Statutory: because, people, beautiful, could, would

Previous: assessment, government, necessary, information, confidence

Dictation

The happiest child was playing while the strongest runner was helping.

Proofreading Challenge

correct these:

playd

helpingg

quikest

strongist

jumpt

Section	Content
Review	Oral spelling of five baseline words. Morpheme recap: root + suffix.
Teach	A suffix is added to the end of a root word." Display: play → played → playing. Ask children what has changed. Explain that most words simply add the suffix. Model thinking aloud: "I know the root word is play. I keep the root and add ed." Show clean → cleaner and quick → quickest.
Examples	played, helped, quickest, strongest
Spelling Detective	happiest = happy + est. Notice the y changes to i.
Misconceptions	playd, strongist, quickist
Practise	Sort words into root and suffix. Build new words using suffix cards. Complete gap-fill sentences.
Apply	Write two sentences using quickest and helping.

DOUBLING CONSONANTS

Weekly Word List

beginning, preferred, occurred, occurring, referred, referring, regretted, admitted, forgetting, committed

Retrieval

Current: beginning, preferred, occurred, occurring, regretted

Previous: jumped, helping, quickest, strongest, happiest

Statutory: because, beautiful, people, could, should

Dictation

The teacher preferred the beginning of the story because it was exciting.

Proofreading Challenge

begining
prefered
occuring
forgeting
admited

Section	Content
Review	Recap suffixes and root words.
Teach	Explain how some words need us to double the final consonant before adding a suffix. Display: hop → hopping, begin → beginning. Explain the rule: short vowel + one consonant = double. Think aloud: "I can hear a short vowel in hop. I only have one consonant so I double p."
Examples	beginning, preferred, occurring
Spelling Detective	beginning = begin + ning
Misconceptions	begining, prefered, ocurred
Practise	Sort words into double and don't double. Highlight short vowels.
Apply	Write a short paragraph using three target words.

WORDS ENDING IN -TION

Weekly Word List

information, invention, completion, correction, inspection, collection, operation, education, subscription, celebration

Retrieval

Current: information, invention, completion, correction, inspection

Previous: beginning, preferred, occurred, regretted, committed

Statutory: because, beautiful, people, would, could

Dictation

The inspection report contained important information about the school.

Proofreading Challenge

informashon
inspectoin
celebrashon
operashun
collection

Section	Content
Review	Recall doubling rule.
Teach	Explain that -tion often means 'the act of' or 'the process of'. Display invent → invention and inspect → inspection. Build a word family around invent. Think aloud: "I know the root word invent. I add the suffix tion."
Examples	invention, inspection, education

Spelling Detective	collection = collect + ion
Misconceptions	inventoin, inspectoin
Practise	Match roots to -tion words. Complete morpheme table.
Apply	Write an explanation containing information and education.

-SION, -SSION AND -CIAN

Weekly Word List

discussion, expression, permission, admission, expansion, confusion, profession, musician, electrician, optician

Retrieval

Current: discussion, expression, permission, musician, electrician

Previous: information, education, inspection, completion, beginning

Statutory: people, beautiful, because, should, could

Dictation

The musician received permission to perform after a long discussion.

Proofreading Challenge

discusion
musision
electricion
permision
expantion

Section	Content
Review	Recall -tion words from last lesson.
Teach	Explain how many words end with the /shun/ sound but use different spellings." Display discuss → discussion, express → expression, music → musician. Explain that words linked to jobs often end in cian. Think aloud: "A musician is someone connected to music. I can hear the root word music hidden inside."
Examples	profession, musician, electrician
Spelling Detective	electrician = electric + ian
Misconceptions	musision, profeshion
Practise	Sort words into sion, ssion and cian columns.
Apply	Write a sentence using profession and musician.

PREFIXES UN-, DIS-, MIS-

Weekly Word List

unhappy, unhelpful, unnecessary, disagree, dishonest, disappear, misbehave, mislead, mistake, misplace

Retrieval

Current: unhappy, disagree, dishonest, misbehave, mislead

Previous: discussion, musician, permission, information, beginning

Statutory: because, beautiful, people, could, would

Dictation

It is dishonest to mislead people when they disagree with your opinion.

Proofreading Challenge

unecessary
disapear
misbehave

dishonnest
misleed

Section	Content
Review	Explain root words from Session 5.
Teach	Explain how prefixes are added to the beginning of words and change their meaning. Display unhappy, disagree and misbehave. Explain meanings: un = not, dis = opposite, mis = wrongly. Think aloud: "I know happy. When I add un, the meaning changes to not happy." Build word families from each prefix.
Examples	unhappy, dishonest, disappear, misbehave
Spelling Detective	disappear = dis + appear
Misconceptions	forgetting one p in disappear; confusing dis and mis
Practise	Prefix matching game. Build words from roots and prefixes. Complete cloze sentences.
Apply	Write a paragraph containing one un-, one dis- and one mis- word.

PREFIXES re-, sub-, inter-

Weekly Word List

rebuild, rewrite, reappear, react, submarine, subheading, subdivide, interact, international, interview

Retrieval

Current words

- rebuild
- rewrite
- react
- submarine
- international

Previous words

- unhappy
- dishonest
- disappear
- discussion
- information

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- people
- could
- should

Dictation

The international team interacted online before the interview and agreed to rebuild the project.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- rewright
- sumbarine
- interveiw

- interract
- rebild

Answers:
rewrite, submarine, interview, interact, rebuild

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words containing the prefixes re-, sub- and inter-.
Review (5 mins)	Recap prefixes from Session 6. Ask children to explain the meanings of un-, dis- and mis-.
Teach (10 mins)	Some prefixes t help us understand meaning. If we know the meaning, we often know the spelling. Display rebuild, submarine and international. Explain: **re** means again, **sub** means under, **inter** means between. Model: rebuild = re + build. Think aloud: "If I know build, I can add re because I am doing it again." Show international = inter + nation + al.
Examples	rebuild, rewrite, react, submarine, subheading, international
Spelling Detective	international = inter + nation + al
Common Misconceptions	interract, sumbarine, internashonal
Practise (10 mins)	Match prefixes to meanings. Build words using prefix cards. Complete a morpheme table. Sort words into re-, sub- and inter- columns.
Apply (5 mins)	Write three sentences using one re-, one sub- and one inter- word.

PREFIXES super-, anti-, auto-

Weekly Word List

superhuman, supermarket, supervise, antisocial, antiseptic, anticlockwise, automatic, autobiography, autograph, autopilot

Retrieval

Current words

- superhuman
- antisocial
- automatic
- autograph
- autobiography

Previous words

- interact
- international
- submarine
- dishonest
- information

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- people
- would
- should

Dictation

The famous athlete signed an autograph before sharing part of his autobiography.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- auto biography
- antisociall
- automattic
- superhumane
- anticeptic

Answers:
autobiography, antisocial, automatic, superhuman, antiseptic

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To understand and spell words containing super-, anti- and auto-.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieve re-, sub- and inter- words from previous lesson.
Teach (10 mins)	These prefixes all carry meaning. Learning the meaning helps us spell and remember the word. Explain: super = above/beyond, anti = against, auto = self. Model autobiography = auto + bio + graphy. Think aloud: "Auto means self. An autobiography is the story of your own life." Discuss connections between meaning and spelling.
Examples	autobiography, autograph, automatic, antisocial, antiseptic, superhuman
Spelling Detective	autograph = auto + graph
Common Misconceptions	autoography, anticeptic, automattic
Practise (10 mins)	Match words to definitions. Morpheme hunt. Prefix sorting activity.
Apply (5 mins)	Explain what an autobiography and biography have in common.

HOMOPHONES

Weekly Word List

their, there, they're, whose, who's, advice, advise, practice, practise, stationery

Retrieval

Current words

- their
- there
- they're
- advice
- practise

Previous words

- autobiography
- autograph
- international
- interact
- dishonest

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- people
- could
- should

Dictation

They're waiting over there because their coach advised them to practise every day.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- There football is red.
- Their going home.
- Please advice me.
- I need to practice harder.
- Whose coming?

Answers:

Their, They're, advise, practise, Who's

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To choose the correct spelling of common homophones.
Review (5 mins)	Discuss why some words sound the same but are not spelled the same.
Teach (10 mins)	Homophones sound identical but have different meanings and spellings. Display their/there/they're. Think aloud: "If I can replace they're with they are, then I know I've chosen correctly." Model advice (noun) and advise (verb).
Examples	their/there/they're, whose/who's, advice/advise
Spelling Detective	they're = they + are
Common Misconceptions	their for there, advice for advise
Practise (10 mins)	Cloze sentences. Partner explanations. Homophone sorting cards.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a paragraph correctly using there, their and they're.

SILENT LETTERS

Weekly Word List

knowledge, knight, knife, gnaw, solemn, island, wrist, lamb, answer, receipt

Retrieval

Current words

- knowledge
- knight
- island
- answer
- receipt

Previous words

- advice
- practise
- autobiography
- automatic
- interact

Statutory words

- because
- beautiful
- people
- could
- would

Dictation

The knight used his knowledge to answer the difficult question.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- nolledge
- nife
- iland
- anser
- lambb

Answers:
knowledge, knife, island, answer, lamb

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words containing silent letters.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieve six homophones from previous lesson.
Teach (10 mins)	Silent letters are letters we write but do not hear. Many come from the history of the word. Model knight, knife, gnaw and lamb. Highlight silent letters. Think aloud: "I cannot hear the k in knight, but I know words beginning kn often keep the silent k."
Examples	knight, knife, knowledge, lamb, solemn
Spelling Detective	knowledge = know + ledge
Common Misconceptions	nite, nolidge, iland
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words by silent-letter pattern. Highlight silent letters in colour.
Apply (5 mins)	Create a mnemonic to help remember one difficult word.

STATUTORY WORD FAMILIES

Weekly Word List

profession, professional, environment, environmental, occupy, occupation, criticise, criticism, necessary, necessarily

Retrieval

Current words

- profession
- professional
- environment
- occupation
- necessary

Previous words

- knowledge
- knight
- answer
- advice
- autograph

Statutory words

- government
- opportunity
- rhythm
- signature
- conscience

Dictation

The professional environmental report was absolutely necessary.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- proffesion
- enviroment
- ocupation
- critisism
- neccessary

Answers:
profession, environment, occupation, criticism, necessary

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To use word families to help spell related words.
Review (5 mins)	Recall words containing silent letters.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how strong spellers use one word to unlock many others. Display profession → professional. Explain how understanding the root helps spell related words. Model occupation = occupy + ation. Think aloud: "I know occupy, so occupation becomes easier because I can see the root word hidden inside."
Examples	profession/professional, occupy/occupation, environment/environmental
Spelling Detective	environmental = environment + al
Common Misconceptions	enviroment, occupasion, proffessional
Practise (10 mins)	Construct word-family trees. Match roots and derived words. **Apply (5 mins)** Explain how one family member helped spell another.

MINI ASSESSMENT

Retrieval

Review all learning from previous sessions.

Assessment Dictation

The professional musician received permission to perform after an international competition.

Proofreading Assessment

Correct:

- enviroment
- disapear
- interveiw
- nife
- profeshion
- beleive
- automattic
- occuring

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To assess spelling knowledge and identify next steps.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieval quiz from all previous sessions.
Teach (5 mins)	Explain how the lesson gives us a chance to see how much we have learned and what we still need to practise." Review key strategies: identify morphemes, spot root words and check prefixes/suffixes.

Practise (15 mins)	Complete assessment paper, proofreading task and morpheme identification challenge.
Apply (5 mins)	Reflect: Which spelling rule do I know best? Which rule do I need more practice with? Set a target for Spring 2.

WORDS ENDING IN -ABLE

Weekly Word List

comfortable, enjoyable, dependable, breakable, acceptable, reliable, valuable, reasonable, noticeable, adorable

Retrieval

Current words

- comfortable
- dependable
- reliable
- valuable
- acceptable

Previous words

- profession
- professional
- environment
- occupation
- necessary

Statutory words

- government
- conscience
- rhythm
- signature
- opportunity

Dictation

The reliable guide made the challenging journey more enjoyable and comfortable.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- comfortible
- relyable
- acceptabel
- valuabel
- reasonible

Answers:

comfortable, reliable, acceptable, valuable, reasonable

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -able.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieve statutory word family spellings from Session 11. Discuss how roots helped with spelling.

Teach (10 mins)	The suffix **-able** often means 'can be' or 'fit for'. If something is breakable, it can be broken.Display: enjoy → enjoyable, depend → dependable, accept → acceptable. Think aloud: "I know the root word depend. I add able because it means can be depended on." Explain that many -able words keep the complete root word.
Examples	enjoyable, dependable, reliable, breakable, comfortable
Spelling Detective	dependable = depend + able
Common Misconceptions	comfortible, acceptabel, relyable
Practise (10 mins)	Sort root words and suffixes. Complete a matching activity linking roots to meanings. Word-building challenge using suffix cards.
Apply (5 mins)	Write three sentences using reliable, valuable and enjoyable.

WORDS ENDING IN -IBLE

Weekly Word List

possible, possibly, sensible, sensibly, responsible, terrible, horrible, flexible, visible, incredible

Retrieval

Current words

- possible
- sensible
- responsible
- flexible
- visible

Previous words

- comfortable
- reliable
- profession
- environment
- necessary

Statutory words

- government
- opportunity
- conscience
- signature
- rhythm

Dictation

It is sensible and responsible to choose the safest option possible.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- possable
- flexable
- visable
- responsable
- sensable

Answers:

possible, flexible, visible, responsible, sensible

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -ible.
Review (5 mins)	Compare examples of -able and -ible words from previous learning.
Teach (10 mins)	Some words use -ible rather than -able. Explain how there isn't a simple rule for all of them, so we learn common examples and word families. Display possible, visible and sensible. Think aloud: "When I write possible, I remember it belongs to a family of words including possibly." Explain that many -ible words do not have obvious standalone root words.
Examples	possible, sensible, visible, flexible, responsible
Spelling Detective	possible → possibly
Common Misconceptions	possable, flexable, visable
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words into -able and -ible columns. Complete missing-word activities.
Apply (5 mins)	Explain which words belong in the -ible family and use two in sentences.

WORDS ENDING IN -ANT AND -ANCE

Weekly Word List

important, importance, assistant, assistance, observant, observance, relevant, relevance, brilliant, brilliance

Retrieval

Current words

- important
- importance
- assistant
- assistance
- observant

Previous words

- possible
- sensible
- responsible
- dependable
- reliable

Statutory words

- government
- rhythm
- conscience
- convenience
- opportunity

Dictation

The assistant understood the importance of providing excellent assistance.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- importence
- assistence
- observence
- relevence
- brilience

Answers:

importance, assistance, observance, relevance, brilliance

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -ant and -ance.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieve examples of -able and -ible patterns.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how words ending in -ant often have related nouns ending in -ance. Display important → importance and assistant → assistance. Think aloud: "If I know assistant, I can use that knowledge to remember assistance." Explain that the spelling pattern stays consistent within the family.
Examples	important/importance, assistant/assistance, observant/observance
Spelling Detective	assistance = assist + ance
Common Misconceptions	importence, assistence, observence
Practise (10 mins)	Match adjective and noun pairs. Complete word-family trees.
Apply (5 mins)	Write two sentences showing the connection between a word and its related noun.

WORDS ENDING IN -ENT AND -ENCE

Weekly Word List

different, difference, confident, confidence, absent, absence, silent, silence, patient, patience

Retrieval

Current words

- confident
- confidence
- absent
- absence
- patience

Previous words

- important
- assistance
- possible
- visible
- reliable

Statutory words

- conscience
- opportunity
- government
- convenience
- rhythm

Dictation

Her confidence was evident despite the difficult challenge.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- confidance
- absance
- differance
- silance
- pacient

Answers:

confidence, absence, difference, silence, patient

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -ent and -ence.
Review (5 mins)	Recall -ant and -ance words. Compare endings.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how just like -ant and -ance families, words ending in -ent often have related nouns ending in -ence." Display confident → confidence, absent → absence and silent → silence. Think aloud: "When I spell confidence, I start with confident because I know that word already."
Examples	confident/confidence, absent/absence, patient/patience
Spelling Detective	confidence = confident + ce
Common Misconceptions	confidance, silance, absance
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words into -ent and -ence groups. Complete word-family grids.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a paragraph using confidence, difference and patience.

WORDS ENDING IN -ANCY AND -ENCY

Weekly Word List

vacancy, occupancy, frequency, consistency, efficiency, fluency, tendency, expectancy, emergency, independence

Retrieval

Current words

- vacancy
- occupancy
- frequency
- consistency
- efficiency

Previous words

- confidence
- patience
- assistance
- visible
- important

Statutory words

- opportunity
- conscience
- government
- convenience
- rhythm

Dictation

Regular reading improves fluency, consistency and efficiency.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- frequancy
- consistancy
- occupency
- efficiancy
- independance

Answers:
frequency, consistency, occupancy, efficiency, independence

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -ancy and -ency.
Review (5 mins)	Revisit -ant/-ance and -ent/-ence word families.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain that many -ancy and -ency words come from words already learned. Display frequent → frequency and consistent → consistency. Think aloud: "I know consistent, so consistency keeps the root before adding ency."
Examples	frequency, consistency, vacancy, occupancy, efficiency
Spelling Detective	frequency = frequent + cy
Common Misconceptions	frequancy, consistancy, efficiancy
Practise (10 mins)	Word-family matching. Morpheme breakdown challenge. Partner spelling quiz.
Apply (5 mins)	Explain which word family helped you spell consistency correctly.

WORDS ENDING IN -CIAL AND -TIAL

Weekly Word List

special, official, artificial, social, crucial, partial, essential, substantial, confidential, potential

Retrieval

Current words

- special
- official
- artificial
- partial
- essential

Previous words

- frequency
- consistency
- confidence
- patience
- assistance

Statutory words

- conscience
- government
- convenience
- opportunity
- rhythm

Dictation

It is essential to keep confidential information secure.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- offical
- artifical
- essenshal
- confidenshal
- partcial

Answers:

official, artificial, essential, confidential, partial

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To distinguish between words ending in -cial and -tial.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieve -ancy and -ency words from Session 17.
Teach (10 mins)	Spellings that end with the /shul/ sound, have two main ways of spelling it. Display special, official, partial and essential. Explain that many words ending in **-cial** are linked to *special*. Think aloud: "Special helps me remember official because they share the cial ending." Model sorting examples into the two groups.
Examples	special, official, artificial, essential, partial, substantial
Spelling Detective	artificial = art + ificial
Common Misconceptions	offical, artifical, essenshal, partcial
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words into -cial and -tial columns. Highlight common letter strings. Complete SATs-style spelling choices.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a formal sentence including official, essential and confidential.

WORDS ENDING IN -CIALLY AND -TIALLY

Weekly Word List

officially, especially, artificially, socially, partially, essentially, substantially, confidentially, potentially, initially

Retrieval

Current words

- officially
- especially
- artificially
- partially
- essentially

Previous words

- official
- artificial
- essential
- substantial
- confidential

Statutory words

- conscience
- government
- convenience
- opportunity
- rhythm

Dictation

The results were officially announced after they had been carefully checked.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- officialy
- especialy
- artifically

- substancially
- essentualy

Answers:
officially, especially, artificially, substantially, essentially

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -cially and -tially.
Review (5 mins)	Review Session 18 words. Ask children to sort official, artificial, essential and partial into -cial and -tial groups.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how today's words build directly from last lesson. If we know official, we can spell officially." Display official → officially, essential → essentially. Explain that we simply add **-ly** to the adjective. Think aloud: "I know official ends in cial. I keep that pattern and add ly." Model each example and highlight the preserved root spelling.
Examples	officially, especially, artificially, socially, essentially
Spelling Detective	officially = official + ly
Common Misconceptions	officialy, artifically, essensially
Practise (10 mins)	Complete word-family chains. Match adjective to adverb. Sort -cially and -tially words.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a news report sentence using officially, essentially and potentially.

GREEK AND LATIN ROOTS

Weekly Word List

inspect, spectator, transport, portable, describe, subscription, manuscript, dictionary, predict, export

Retrieval

Current words

- inspect
- spectator
- transport
- describe
- predict

Previous words

- officially
- essential
- artificial
- confidence
- frequency

Statutory words

- government
- convenience
- conscience
- rhythm
- opportunity

Dictation

The spectator watched carefully during the transport inspection.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- spectater

- transpoort
- manuskript
- predikt
- dicshunary

Answers:
spectator, transport, manuscript, predict, dictionary

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To use Greek and Latin roots to help spell unfamiliar words.
Review (5 mins)	Recap how morphemes help break words into manageable chunks.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how many long spellings become easier when we recognise the root hidden inside." Display spect (look), port (carry), scrib/script (write), dict (say). Model inspect = in + spect. Explain that spect means look. Think aloud: "If I know spect means look, I can spot it in spectator, inspect and spectacle." Build word-family trees.
Examples	spectator, inspect, transport, portable, describe, manuscript
Spelling Detective	transport = trans + port
Common Misconceptions	treating words as one chunk instead of meaningful parts
Practise (10 mins)	Match roots to meanings. Build word families. Complete morpheme grids.
Apply (5 mins)	Explain how knowing the root helped spell one challenging word.

ei, eigh AND ie PATTERNS

Weekly Word List

neighbour, weight, eight, foreign, either, believe, ceiling, receive, deceive, achieve

Retrieval

Current words

- neighbour
- weight
- foreign
- receive
- achieve

Previous words

- inspect
- spectator
- predict
- officially
- confidence

Statutory words

- government
- convenience
- conscience
- rhythm
- signature

Dictation

Our neighbour could hardly believe the weight of the enormous package.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- beleive
- recieve
- neigbour
- wieght
- acheive

Answers:
believe, receive, neighbour, weight, achieve

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell common words containing ei, eigh and ie patterns.
Review (5 mins)	Recall roots and morphemes from previous session.
Teach (10 mins)	Explain how English spelling can be tricky because several letter patterns make similar sounds. Display believe, receive and neighbour. Discuss the rhyme: 'i before e except after c' and explain that there are important exceptions such as neighbour and weight. Think aloud: "I remember receive because the e comes after c."
Examples	believe, receive, achieve, weight, neighbour
Spelling Detective	receive = re + ceive
Common Misconceptions	recieve, beleive, acheive, wieght
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words into ie, ei and eigh patterns. Build visual memory maps.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a sentence containing neighbour, receive and achieve.

WORDS ENDING IN -SURE AND -TURE

Weekly Word List

treasure, pleasure, measure, closure, exposure, picture, creature, adventure, nature, furniture

Retrieval

Current words

- treasure
- pleasure
- picture
- creature
- adventure

Previous words

- believe
- receive
- neighbour
- spectator
- officially

Statutory words

- conscience
- government
- convenience
- opportunity
- rhythm

Dictation

It was a pleasure to explore nature during the adventure.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

- plesure
- treassure
- meazure
- pictur
- creatur

Answers:

pleasure, treasure, measure, picture, creature

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To spell words ending in -sure and -ture.
Review (5 mins)	Oral retrieval of ei, ie and eigh words.
Teach (10 mins)	Display pleasure, treasure, measure and picture, creature, nature. Explain that -sure often makes a /zhur/ sound and -ture often makes a /cher/ sound. Think aloud: "Treasure, pleasure and measure all share the same letter pattern."
Examples	treasure, pleasure, measure, picture, creature, nature
Spelling Detective	adventure = ad + venture
Common Misconceptions	plesure, pictur, creatur
Practise (10 mins)	Sort words into -sure and -ture columns. Complete missing-letter tasks.
Apply (5 mins)	Write a descriptive sentence including creature, nature and adventure.

PROOFREADING AND EDITING

Weekly Word List

government, profession, confidence, officially, environment, artificial, occupation, foreign, reliable, essential

Retrieval

Current words

- government
- confidence
- officially
- occupation
- essential

Previous words

- receive
- neighbour
- treasure
- creature
- spectator

Statutory words

- opportunity
- conscience
- convenience
- rhythm
- signature

Dictation

The government officially released information about the environmental project.

Proofreading Challenge

Correct:

The goverment officialy released informashon about the enviromental project.
Answer:
The government officially released information about the environmental project.

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To apply spelling knowledge when proofreading and editing.
Review (5 mins)	Retrieval quiz covering all major spelling patterns taught.
Teach (10 mins)	Excellent spellers rarely get every word correct first time. They edit and proofread. Model reading a sentence slowly and looking for spelling clues. Think aloud: "I know government is a statutory word. I can immediately see goverment is incorrect." Demonstrate checking prefixes, suffixes and morphemes.
Examples	government, profession, confidence, occupation
Spelling Detective	occupation = occupy + ation
Common Misconceptions	reading what you expect rather than what is written
Practise (10 mins)	Edit SATs-style passages containing 10 spelling errors. Partner proofreading task.
Apply (5 mins)	Independently edit a short paragraph and explain corrections.

FINAL ASSESSMENT

Final Assessment Word List

necessary, government, profession, occupation, confidence, musician, achievable, receive, neighbour, treasure, creature, officially, substantial, frequency, consistency, artificial, essential, international, autograph, opportunity

Final Dictation

The confident musician officially accepted a professional position after receiving reliable information about the opportunity.

Final Proofreading Challenge

Correct:
The musision officialy recieved informashon about an internashonal competicion.
Answer:
The musician officially received information about an international competition.

Section	Content
Learning Objective	To demonstrate progress in spelling knowledge and application.
Review (5 mins)	Recap all spelling strategies learned throughout the programme.
Teach (5 mins)	Remember to use everything we have learned: root words, prefixes, suffixes, word families and proofreading."
Practise (15 mins)	Complete final 40-word spelling assessment. Complete proofreading task and morpheme challenge.
Apply (5 mins)	Reflection sheet: What spelling pattern do I know best? Which words am I most proud of learning? What should I continue practising?

FINAL WEEK RETRIEVAL REVIEW

5 Current Words

- government
- occupation
- officially
- essential
- international

5 Previous Words

- neighbour
- creature
- treasure
- spectator
- confidence

5 Statutory Words

- conscience
- opportunity
- convenience
- rhythm
- signature