Year 3 Spellings

Year 3 Autumn 1

Week 1			
Spelling Pattern: Words ending in e – adding – ing			
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
amaze – amazing	hope – hoping	come – coming	
raise – raising	take – taking	drive – driving	
tiptoe- tiptoeing	write – writing	make – making	
free – freeing	amaze – amazing	ride – riding	
dye- dyeing	smile – smiling	smile – smiling	
agonise – agonising	accuse – accusing	knew	
annotate – annotating	become – becoming	often	
alternate – alternating	confuse – confusing	goes	
accuse – accusing	accuse – accusing accidentally accidentally		
accidentally	actually	actually	
actually			
Words in bold are from the statutory Year 3 and 4 word list			

Week 2		
Spelling Pattern: prefix un- and teach dis-		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
uncertain	uneven	unhappy
unexpected	unable	unkind
unmistakable	unequal	unsafe
unfamiliar	unfair	unwell
disobey	disagreed	display
disapprove	disconnect	dismiss
disqualify	disorder	dislike
disappoint	discussion	distrust
address	address	address
answer	answer	answer
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Week 3		
Strategies for memorising spelling (statutory Y3 and 4 words)		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
answer	answer	answer
appear	appear	appear
arrive	arrive	arrive
believe	believe	believe
bicycle	bicycle	bicycle
breath	breath	breath
breathe	breathe	breathe
build	build	build
busy	busy	busy
business	business	business
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calendar

caught

Week 4			
Spelling Pattern: Words with the /eɪ/ sound spelt ei, eigh, or ey (ey - they, ei - vein, eigh - eight, aigh - straight			
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
reign	straight	they	
vein	weight	prey	
reign	weigh	eight	
neighbour	eight	weight	

gate

paint

calendar

caught

century

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vein

calendar

caught

Week 5			
Spelling Pattern: homoph brake/break, grate/great	nones , eight/ate, weight/wait, so	n/sun	
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
peace	right	for	
piece	write	four	
threw	knew	see	
through	new	sea	
morning	mite	here	
mourning	might	hear	
whether	there	to	
weather	their	two	
centre	centre too		
century	y century centre		

Week 6		
Revise Spelling Pattern: suffixes: -s, -es, -ed, -ing, -er		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
advancing	walking	dropped
accelerating	quickest	saddest
abbreviating	funniest	sadder
appreciated	luckier	humming
connected	exploring	runner
modifier	forgotten	fattest
friendlier	grabbed	sadder
agonises	beginning	saving
certain certain certain		
circle	circle	circle
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Year 3 Autumn 2

Week 7		
Spelling Pattern: homophones		
brake/break, grate/great	, eight/ate, weight/wait, so	n/sun
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
brake	grate	eight
break	great	ate
grate	eight	weight
great	ate	wait
eight	weight	son
ate	wait	sun
weight	son	complete
wait	sun	consider
son	complete	
sun	consider	
complete		
consider		
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Week 8		
Spelling Pattern: Prefix mis-, re-		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
reapply	recall	retake
remember	reappear	rewrite
recalculate	rewrite	replay
reroute	replay	misprint
misinform	mistake	misfit
misfortune	misread	mislead
misbehave	misdeal	misspell
miscalculate	mishear	mistake
continue	continue	continue
decide	decide	decide
Words in bold are from the statutory Year 3 and 4 word list		

Week 9		
Spelling Pattern: Revisit	/review	
Statutory word list for Ye	ars 3 and 4	
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
accident	accident	accident
accidentally	accidentally	accidentally
address	address	address
answer	answer	answer
appear	appear	appear
arrive	arrive	arrive
believe	believe	believe
bicycle	bicycle	bicycle
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Week 10 Spelling Pattern: Statutory word list for Years 3 and 4

Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
breath	breath	breath
breathe	breathe	breathe
build	build	build
busy	busy	busy
business	business	business
calendar	calendar	calendar
caught	caught	caught
centre	centre	centre
century	century	century

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Week 11		
Spelling Pattern: OW, O-e, Oa, O		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
throat	lonely	glow
tomorrow	owner	show
remote	suppose	most
wonder	closely	low
boast	road	slow
opponent	hope	coat
obey	those	home
explode	roast	hope
roast	coast	rope
ceremony	poach	describe
describe	describe	different
different	different	
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Week 12		
Review of words fro	om the statutory Year 3 a	nd 4 word list
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
certain	certain	certain
circle	circle	circle
complete	complete	complete
consider	consider	consider
continue	continue	continue
decide	decide	decide
describe	describe	describe
different	different	different
difficult	difficult	difficult
disappear	disappear	disappear

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Week 13				
Spelling Pattern: Suffixe	Spelling Pattern: Suffixes - ness and –ful			
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group		
merciful	wishful	hopeful		
pitiful	painful	wishful		
beautiful	sorrowful	sadness		
resentful	hopeful	shyness		
successful	forgetful	eight		
craftiness	foolishness	eighth		
nastiness	nastiness	every		
happiness	happiness	eyes		
gratefulness	gratefulness	follow		
seriousness	seriousness	father		
early	early	early		
earth	earth	earth		
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Week 14			
Spelling Pattern: Prefixes	Spelling Pattern: Prefixes sub-and tele-		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
telescope	telescope	telescope	
television	television	television	
telegraph	telegraph	telephone	
telephone	telephone	subtract	
teleport	teleport	subway	
submerge	subtract	submarine	
substandard	subway	enough	
subdue	submerge	exercise	
subhuman	submarine		
subterranean	enough		
enough	exercise		
exercise			
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Week 15			
Spelling Pattern: Apostro	Spelling Pattern: Apostrophe for contractions can't, didn't		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
does not - doesn't	do not - don't	thought	
will not - won't	cannot - can't	though	
I will - I'll	is not - isn't	should	
I would - I'd	I had - I'd	where	
I have - I've	I am - I'm	would	
there is - there's	it is - it's	something	
he is - he's	he is - he's	know	
she is - he's	she is - she's	were	
experience	experience	experience	
experiment	experiment	experiment	
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Week 16			
Spelling Pattern: Words	Spelling Pattern: Words with the /ʃ/ sound		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
official	official	special	
special	special	chef	
brochure	chef	shop	
chef	sure	sure	
shop	mission	mission	
sure	sugar	sugar	
mission	extreme	extreme	
sugar	famous	famous	
extreme			
famous			
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Week 17			
Spelling Pattern: ee, y, ea			
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
breathe	kneel	been	
hungry	scene	happy	
breathe	screech	jolly	
succeed	speech	funny	
please	theme	easy	
creature	between	сору	
eager	weave	glory	
piece	eerie	very	
brief	clean	peel	
believe	scream	favourite	
favourite	favourite	February	
February	February		
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Week 18		
Recap words from t	the statutory Year 3 and 4	l word list
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
early	early	early
earth	earth	earth
enough	enough	enough
exercise	exercise	exercise
experience	experience	experience
experiment	experiment	experiment
extreme	extreme	extreme
famous	famous	famous
favourite	favourite	favourite
February	February	February

Year 3 Spring 2

Week 19			
Spelling Pattern: OW, O-	Spelling Pattern: OW, O-e, Oa, O		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
throat	lonely	glow	
tomorrow	owner	show	
remote	suppose	most	
wonder	closely	low	
boast	road	slow	
opponent	hope	coat	
obey	those	home	
explode	roast	hope	
roast	coast	rope	
ceremony	poach	forward	
forward	forward	fruit	
fruit	fruit		
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Week 20			
Spelling Pattern: prefix	Spelling Pattern: prefix super- and auto-		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
autopilot	autofocus	autofocus	
autobiography	autobiography	automatic	
autonomy	automatic	superman	
autograph	superman	superstar	
superior	supernatural	untidy	
supernatural	superstar	mistake	
superficial	unnatural	restart	
superior	mishear	dislike	
grammar	grammar	grammar	
group	group	group	
Words in bold are from the statutory Year 3 and 4 word list			

Week 21		
Recap words from t	the statutory Year 3 and	4 word list
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
guard	guard	guard
guide	guide	guide
neard	heard	heard
neart	heart	heart
eight	height	height
istory	history	history
nagine	imagine	imagine
ncrease	increase	increase
mportant	important	important
nterest	interest	interest

Week 22		
Spelling Pattern: hom	ophones	
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
brake	grate	eight
break	great	ate
grate	eight	weight
great	ate	wait
eight	weight	son
ate	wait	sun
weight	son	island
wait	sun	knowledge
son	island	
sun	knowledge	
island		
knowledge		
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Week 23			
Spelling Pattern: 00, u-	Spelling Pattern: 00, u-e, ue, ew, u		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
humour	usual	soon	
unique	visual	room	
monument	brood	spoon	
fortunate	manual	pool	
genuine	interview	blue	
interview	suit	true	
ritual	uniform	clue	
circulate	bruise	glue	
valuable	natural	learn	
stimulate	chew	length	
learn	learn		
length	length		
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Week 24			
Words with the /k/	Words with the /k/ sound spelt 'ch' (Greek in origin)		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
ache	ache	ache	
anchor	anchor	anchor	
Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	
school	school	school	
echo	echo	echo	
choir	choir	choir	
island	island	island	
knowledge	knowledge	knowledge	
learn	learn	learn	
length	length	length	
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Week 25		
Spelling Pattern: suffixes: -s, -es, -ed, -ing, -er		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
advancing	walking	dropped
accelerating	quickest	saddest
abbreviating	funniest	sadder
appreciated	luckier	humming
connected	exploring	runner
modifier	forgotten	fattest
friendlier	grabbed	sadder
agonises	beginning	saving
library	library	library
material	material	material
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Week 26		
Spelling Pattern: Words that end in 'ly'		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
peculiarly	actually	above
strangely	strangely	across
completely	naturally	almost
increasingly	certainly	along
definitely	absolutely	also
abnormally	accidentally	around
absently	highly	asked
hideously	miserably	always
flatteringly	morally	animal
flamboyantly	oddly	medicine
medicine	medicine	mention
mention	mention	
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Week 27		
Spelling Pattern: How words change when –er and –est are added		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
quicker	quicker	know
quickest	quickest	only
longer	tallest	gone
longest	taller	lady
riper	closer	opened
ripest	closest	great
luckier	thinner	leave
luckiest	thinnest	other
crazier	happier	minute
craziest	happiest	natural
minute	minute	
natural	natural	
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Week 28			
Spelling Pattern: /l/	Spelling Pattern: /l/ sound spelt -y-		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group	
Egypt	system	pretty	
myth	mystery	gym	
crystal	Egypt	myth	
sphynx	myth	can't	
typical	crystal	didn't	
pyramid	typical	hasn't	
physical	pyramid	couldn't	
symbol	symbol	naughty	
naughty	naughty	notice	
notice	notice		
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Week 29		
Spelling Pattern: Spelling pattern 'le'		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
example	middle	able
sensible	giggle	table
responsible	saddle	cable
double	hobble	middle
bundle	article	little
wobble	bicycle	apple
guzzle	poodle	cuddle
reliable	terrible	simple
probable	crumble	horrible
trickle	example	possible
occasionally	occasionally	occasionally
often	often	often
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Week 30		
Review statutory word list for Years 3 and 4		
Red Group	Blue Group	
library	library	
material	material	
medicine	medicine	
mention	mention	
minute	minute	
natural	natural	
naughty	naughty	
notice	notice	
occasionally	occasionally	
often	often	
	Red Group library material medicine mention minute natural naughty notice occasionally	

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Year 3 summer 2

Week 31		
Spelling Pattern: Revisit/review Statutory word list for Years 3 and 4		
Green Group Blue Group		
accident accidentally address answer appear arrive believe bicycle	accident accidentally address answer appear arrive believe bicycle	accident accidentally address answer appear arrive believe bicycle

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Week 32		
Spelling Pattern: The spelling of nouns when s is added		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
army	glass	game
armies	glasses	games
penny	party	box
pennies	parties	boxes
young	young	young
double	double	double
trouble	trouble	trouble
touch	touch	touch
country	country	country
rough	rough	rough
opposite	opposite	opposite
ordinary	ordinary	ordinary
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Week 33		
Spelling Pattern: Words with silent letters eg. Knee, gnat, wrinkle		
Red Group	Blue Group	
knee	knit	
knife	know	
know	write	
knock	when	
gnaw	numb	
wheat	half	
sword	should	
answer	would	
whine	could	
doubt	calm	
particular	particular	
peculiar	peculiar	
	Red Group knee knife know knock gnaw wheat sword answer whine doubt particular	

Week 34		
Spelling Pattern: homophones		
brake/break, grate/gre	at, eight/ate, weight/wait, so	on/sun
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
heel	heel	plain
heal	heal	plane
he'll	he'll	groan
plain	plain	grown
plane	plane	write
groan	groan	right
grown	grown	new
rain	which	knew
reign	witch	perhaps
which	perhaps	popular
witch	popular	
perhaps		
popular		
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Week 35		
Spelling Pattern: Words with silent letters		
Green Group	Red Group	Blue Group
knuckle	know	knit
knight	knew	knee
knife	knot	know
wrapper	wrist	half
wreck	sword	numb
wretch	wrinkle	when
answer	honest	calf
thumb	wrong	should
plumb	write	would
salmon	rhyme	could
position	position	position
possess	possess	possess
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Week 36		
Review statutory word list for Years 3 and 4		
Green Group Blue Group		
opposite	opposite	opposite
ordinary	ordinary	ordinary
particular	particular	particular
peculiar	peculiar	peculiar
perhaps	perhaps	perhaps
popular	popular	popular
position	position	position
possess	possess	possess

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