



# SPELLING TEST ANALYSIS

## INSTRUCTIONS:

- The following table provides a break down of the concepts underlying the correct spelling of each word.
- Highlight the concepts the student got wrong. This will provide an overview of the concepts the student needs to learn.

Test Word	Concepts					
set	s	e	t	CVC common word		
mad	m	a	d	CVC common word		
rub	r	u	b	CVC common word		
lot	l	o	t	CVC common word		
bin	b	i	n	CVC common word		
web	w	e	b	CVC less common word		
van	v	a	n	CVC less common word		
jut	j	u	t	CVC less common word		
fog	f	o	g	CVC less common word		
zip	z	i	p	CVC less common word		
kept	k	e	p	t	CVCC – end blend   ‘k’ is followed by ‘i’ and ‘e’	
wind	w	i	n	d	CVCC – end blend	
drum	d	r	u	m	CCVC – beginning blend	
stop	s	t	o	p	CCVC – beginning blend	
plant	p	l	a	n	t	CCVCC – beginning & end blend
bee	ee - tree					
call	a – ball		Use ‘c’ when followed by ‘a’, ‘o’, ‘u’, ‘l’ or ‘r’			
way	ay – tray (used at the ends of base words)					
than	th – three (voiced)					
fluff	Double ‘f’ at end of short words with short vowels					
book	oo – book		Only use ‘ck’ after short vowels – otherwise use ‘k’			
dry	/ie/ at the end of words is usually ‘y’   ‘iy’ not used in English					
rack	Use ‘ck’ after short vowels.					
coat	oa- boat		Use ‘c’ when followed by ‘a’, ‘o’, ‘u’, ‘l’ or ‘r’.			
mine	i-e – kite					
paw	aw – paw					
beach	ea – leaf		ch - chick			
short	sh – ship		or – fork			
shower	sh – ship		ow – cow   er – flower   2 syllables = 2 vowels			
your	our – four					
fight	i – child		Silent ‘gh’			
slowest	ow – bow		Suffix ‘est’ used to compare more than two   2 syllables = 2 vowels			
drain	ai –rain					
wrong	silent w		ng – ring			
around	a – banana		ou – house			
voice	oi – coin		ce – ice			
return	re – prefix		ur – church			
coped	o-e bone		‘e’ goes away when suffix begins with vowel   ed = past tense			

placing	ce – ice	a-e- cake   ‘e’ goes away when suffix begins with vowel	
large	ar – car	ge – orange	
sneeze	Use ‘zz’ or ‘ze’, not ‘z’ at the end of base words (double ‘zz’ after short vowels)		
thinned	Double next letter to keep the vowel short when next letter is a vowel		
thought	ou – thought	Silent ‘gh’	
wonder	o – love	er - flower	
laugh	au – draught	gh – laugh	
share	are – square		
death	Silent a (head)		
taught	au – saucepan	Silent ‘gh’	
ledge	Add ‘d’ before ‘ge’ after a short vowel.		
research	Prefix ‘re’	ear – earth	
certain	ce – ice	er – flower	ai – rain = /e/
electric	Use ‘ck’ after short vowels, but drop ‘k’ when multiple syllables or next letter ‘t’		
cycle	cy – cycle	Use ‘le’ when /l/ is part of the word, but ‘al’ when suffix	
gypsy	gy – gypsy	y- sunny	
altered	When adding onto ‘all’, drop an ‘l’   Suffix ‘ed’ = past tense		
believe	ie – handkerchief (‘i’ before ‘e’ except after ‘c’)		Not English word ends in ‘v’
distance	ce – ice		
extremely	Prefix ‘ex’	e-e Pete	Suffix ‘ly’ – ‘e’ stays because suffix begins with vowel
cities	ci – circus	Change ‘y’ to ‘i’ and add ‘es’	
review	Prefix ‘re’	iew – view	
steadily	Silent a (head)	Change ‘y’ to ‘i’ and add the suffix	
guilty	Add ‘u’ to stop ‘i’ making ‘g’ say /j/		
fashion	Only fashion and cushion have ‘sh’ in the middle		
allowance	a-banana	Double ‘l’ to keep vowel short	ow – cow   ce- ice
education	ti – invitation	Base word = educate - a-e cake – ‘e’ goes away because adding vowel (i)	
pursue	ur – church	ue – glue	
prettiest	/i/ = ‘e’	Double ‘t’ to keep vowel short	Change ‘y’ to ‘i’ and add suffix
religious	gi – giant	Silent o (country)	
atmosphere	ph – phone	ere – here	
peculiar	i+vowel = /ee/		
scholastic	ch-choir   Use ‘ck’ after short vowels, but drop ‘k’ when multiple syllables		
actually	Use ‘ck’ after short vowels, but drop ‘k’ when next letter ‘t’		Suffix ‘ly’
intermediate	i+vowel = /ee/		
sculpture	ture – picture		
distinguish	Add ‘u’ to stop ‘i’ making ‘g’ say /j/		
musician	ci – musician	‘an’ for person	
neutral	eu – feud		
heir	Silent ‘h’	eir-heir	
tissue	su – sugar	ue – glue	
architecture	ch – choir	ture – picture	Use ‘ck’ after short vowels, but drop ‘k’ when next letter ‘t’
More complex words			
gauge	circumference	sufficient	delicious
fatigue	colonial	quadrilateral	
conferring	Double ‘r’ when adding ‘ing’ onto words ending in ‘ir’, ‘er’ ‘ur’ or ‘ar’		
exquisite	apostrophe	precipitous	physicist
allegiance	consignment	camouflage	rhetorical
paraphernalia	chandelier	facetious	