

Year 2

Spelling rule:	<p>The letter j is never used for the /dʒ/ sound at the end of English words.</p> <p>-dge sound</p> <p>At the end of a word, the /dʒ/ sound is spelt -dge straight after the /æ/, /ɛ/, /ɪ/, /ɒ/, /ʌ/ and /ʊ/ sounds (sometimes called 'short' vowels).</p>
<p>badge</p> <p>edge</p> <p>bridge</p> <p>dodge</p> <p>fudge</p> <p>ledge</p> <p>wedge</p> <p>sledge</p> <p>ridge</p> <p>cartridge</p>	<p>door</p> <p>floor</p> <p>poor</p> <p>because</p> <p>find</p>

Spelling rule:

After all other sounds, whether vowels or consonants, the /dʒ/ sound is spelt as -ge at the end of a word.

-ge sound

age

huge

change

charge

bulge

village

cage

strange

hinge

large

kind

mind

behind

child

children

Spelling rule:

In other positions in words, the /dʒ/ sound is often (but not always) spelt as g before e, i, and y. The /dʒ/ sound is always spelt as j before a, o and u.

gem

giant

magic

giraffe

energy

jacket

jar

jog

join

Adjust

wild

climb

most

only

both

Spelling rule:

The /s/ sound spelt c before e, i and y

race

old

ice

cold

cell

gold

city

hold

fancy

told

lace

pace

space

circus

circle

Spelling rule:

The 'k' and 'g' at the beginning of these words was sounded hundreds of years ago.

knock

know

knee

gnat

gnaw

gnome

knot

gnash

knew

knuckle

every

everybody

even

great

break

Spelling rule:

The /r/ sound spelt wr at the beginning of words

The /r/ sound using wr doesn't just have to be at the beginning of the word

Write

Wrote

Written

Wrong

Wrap

Wreck

Wrestle

Wrist

Wren

wriggle

answer

sword

Spelling rule:

The -le spelling is the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.

table

apple

bottle

little

castle

staple

ripple

topple

tumble

eagle

steak

pretty

beautiful

after

fast

Spelling rule:

The -el spelling is much less common than -le.

The -el spelling is used after m, n, r, s, v, w and more often than not after s.

camel

last

tunnel

past

squirrel

father

travel

class

towel

grass

tinsel

hotel

jewel

model

level

Spelling rule:

Not many nouns end in -al, but many adjectives do.

metal

pedal

capital

hospital

animal

local

vocal

legal

total

mental

pass

plant

path

bath

hour

Spelling rule:

Words ending -il

pencil

fossil

nostril

basil

peril

pupil

April

civil

evil

devil

move

prove

improve

sure

sugar

Spelling rule:

The /aɪ / sound spelt -y at the end of words

This is by far the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.

cry

fly

dry

try

reply

July

fry

shy

sky

why

eye

could

should

would

who

Spelling rule:

The y is changed to i before -es is added.

babies

diaries

copies

carries

tries

flies

replies

cities

parties

jellies

whole

any

many

clothes

busy

Spelling rule:

The y is changed to i before -ed, -er and -est are added, but not before -ing as this would result in ii

copied

copier

happier

happiest

cried

replied

worried

worrier

carried

carrier

skiing

taxiing

copying

crying

replying

Spelling rule:

The -e at the end of the root word is dropped before -ing, -ed, -er,

-est, -y or any other suffix beginning with a vowel letter is added.

Exception word

hiking

hiked

nicer

nicest

iced

icing

coming

shiny

icy

loving

being

Spelling rule:

The last consonant letter of the root word is doubled to keep the /æ/, /ε/, /ɪ/, /ɒ/ and /ʌ/ sound (i.e. to keep the vowel 'short').

Exception: The letter 'x' is never doubled

patting

patted

humming

hummed

dropping

dropped

sadder

saddest

fatter

runny

mixing

mixed

boxer

sixes

Spelling rule:

The /ɔ:/ sound ('or') is usually spelt as a before l and ll.

all

ball

call

walk

talk

always

fall

wall

tall

mall

money

Mr

Mrs

Parents

Christmas

Spelling rule:

The /ʌ/ sound spelt o

mother

other

brother

nothing

Monday

love

glove

come

honey

dozen

people

water

again

half

Spelling rule:

The plural of these words is formed by the addition of -s
(donkeys, monkeys, etc.).

key

keys

donkey

donkeys

monkey

monkeys

chimney

chimneys

valley

valleys

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:

a is the most common spelling for the /ɒ/ ('hot') sound after w and qu.

want
watch
wander
what
was
quarrel
quantity
quality
squad
squash

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:

The /ɜ:/ sound spelt or after w

word
work
worm
world
worth
worthy
worst
worthless
worse
working

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:

The /ɔ:/ sound spelt are after w

war
warmth
warm
towards
warble
wardrobe
warden
warplane
dwarf
award

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:

The /z/ sound spelt s

television

treasure

usual

Asia

pleasure

collision

casual

vision

pressure

sugar

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:

If a suffix starts with a consonant letter, it is added straight on to most root words without any change to the last letter of those words.

Exception: the word argument and root words ending in -y with a consonant before it but only if the root word has more than one syllable.

payment

movement

sadness

happiness

darkness

prettiness

laziness

painful

hopeful

careful

argument

merriment

happiness

plentiful

penniless

happily

Spelling rule:

In contractions, the apostrophe shows where a letter or letters would be if the words were written in full (e.g. can't – cannot).

It's means it is (e.g. It's raining) or sometimes it has (e.g. It's been raining), but it's is never used for the possessive.

can't

haven't

didn't

couldn't

wouldn't

shouldn't

it's

I'll

I'm

you're

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:

Words ending in -tion

station

fiction

motion

national

section

action

reaction

relation

solution

option

Repeat common exception words
from previous weeks

Spelling rule:	Homophones	Common exception words
	there/their/they're here/hear quite/quiet see/sea bare/bear one/won sun/son to/too/two be/bee blue/blew night/knight	<p>Words in red throughout the course of the term</p> <p>In weeks where there are no common exception words, repeat list.</p>