



At Colindale, children are taught a range of spelling strategies in dedicated spelling lessons.

See below the **Year 3 and 4 common exception words** that teachers will be reinforcing and teaching throughout the year.

For home learning, you can use this list to help your child learn the spellings for their year group. Children are expected to know these by the **end of year 4**.

The year 3 words have been included so that you can check if your child needs to learn these as well.

Please be aware that if your child has Special Education Needs (SEN) or has English as an Additional Language (EAL), or is new to English, they may need a lower year group list. You can speak to their teacher about the best word lists to practice with them.

Year 3 Key Words								
Common Exception Words								
accident	arrive	decide	enough	heart	minute	perhaps	question	various
accidentally	believe	describe	February	height	naughty	popular	reign	weight
actual	bicycle	early	forward	history	notice	potatoes	sentence	woman
actually	centre	earth	forwards	learn	occasion	promise	strange	women
address	century	eight	fruit	length	occasionally	purpose	thought	
answer	circle	eighth	heard	library	often	quarter	through	

Year 4 Key Words								
Common Exception Words								
although	calendar	difficult	favourite	increase	natural	possession	separate	though
appear	caught	disappear	grammar	interest	opposite	possible	special	
breath	certain	exercise	group	island	ordinary	pressure	straight	
breathe	complete	experience	guard	knowledge	particular	probably	strength	
build	consider	experiment	guide	material	peculiar	recent	suppose	
busy	continue	extreme	imagine	medicine	position	regular	surprise	
business	different	famous	important	mention	possess	remember	therefore	