

Speedy Spellings Session 3

Teacher notes:

- Each speedy spelling test should take approximately 5 minutes to complete and mark, although you should allow pupils as much time as they need to complete them.
- Before the test, please read out the following instructions: 'Listen carefully to the instructions I am going to give you. I am going to read 5 sentences to you. Each sentence has a word missing on your sheet. You should listen carefully to the missing word and fill this in, making sure you spell it correctly. I will read the word, then the word within a sentence, then repeat the word. Do you have any questions?'
- Once pupils' questions have been answered, you should read the 5 spellings as shown below. Leave at least a 10-second gap between spellings.
- You should take care not to overemphasise spelling when reading out the words.

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Spelling 1: The word is **elegant**.

Mum wore an elegant new ball gown.

The word is **elegant**.

Spelling 2: The word is **innocence**.

The man maintained his innocence throughout the trial.

The word is **innocence**.

Spelling 3: The word is **decency**.

Will you have the decency to apologise?

The word is **decency**.

Spelling 4: The word is **hesitant**.

I was quite hesitant to answer the question.

The word is **hesitant**.

Spelling 5: The word is **substance**.

They fenced off the dangerous substance.

The word is **substance**.