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.
Spelling 1: The word is noticeable.
There was a noticeable change in the weather.
The word is noticeable.

Spelling 2: The word is comfortable.
I sat in a comfortable chair to read my book.
The word is comfortable.

Spelling 3: The word is incredible.
The incredible round of applause roared like thunder.
The word is incredible.

Spelling 4: The word is considerable.
I have been waiting for a considerable length of time.
The word is considerable.

Spelling 5: The word is visibly.
The witness was visibly shaken.
The word is visibly.