

# Ways a Parent Can Help with **SPELLING**

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Have your child write spelling words:

- On paper with pencils, pens, markers or paint
- With chalk on a sidewalk or patio
- With dry erase markers on a mirror
- Type on the computer
- With his/her fingers in a plate of pudding
- With fingers in shaving cream on a counter

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Have your child spell the words out loud while you are in the car or in line at a store

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Spell words using blocks, Scrabble tiles, or flash cards

(Make your own with index cards - one card for each letter. Consider using different colored cards for vowels)

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If the list of words to learn is long, have your child choose 4-5 to focus on at a time

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Have your child write the words in alphabetical order or in order from shortest to longest

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Play "Hangman" with your child using the spelling words

Make crossword puzzles and word searches with the spelling words for your child to solve

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Combine spelling with physical activity

Have your child do jumping jacks, saying one letter per jump, or while walking up and down stairs, saying one letter per step

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Keep a dictionary in your home and help your child look up unfamiliar words



**Encourage your child to read!**  
Good readers are often good spellers.