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The following words are from the Year3/4 spelling list. Use some of the different strategies we discussed at the beginning of the year to learn how to spell the word - pyramid, diamond, mnemonics pictures, quick write etc. You could then try the Growth Mindset Challenge OR just write an extended sentence for each individual word.

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Here is a reminder of all the possible strategies you could use to learn the words.

Look, say, cover, write, check	 This is probably the most common strategy used to learn spellings. Look: first look at the whole word carefully and if there is one part of the word that is difficult, look at that part in more detail. Say: say the word as you look at it, using different ways of pronouncing it if that will make it more memorable. Cover: cover the word. Write: write the word from memory, saying the word as you do so. Check: Have you got it right? If yes, try writing it again and again! If not, start again – look, say, cover, write, check.
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Quickwrite	 Writing the words linked to the teaching focus with speed and fluency. The aim is to write as many words as possible within a time constraint. Pupils can write words provided by the teacher or generate their own examples. For example, in two minutes write as many words as possible with the /i:/ phoneme. This can be turned into a variety of competitive games including working in teams and developing relay race approaches.
Drawing around the word to show the shape	Draw around the words making a clear distinction in size where there are ascenders and descenders. Look carefully at the shape of the word and the letters in each box. Now try to write the word making sure that you get the same shape.

This strategy is all about making a word memorable. It links to meaning in order to try to make the spelling noticeable.

Drawing an image around the word

Other strategies

You can't use this method as your main method of learning spellings, but it might work on those that are just a little more difficult to remember.

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Other methods can include:

- Rainbow writing. Using coloured pencils in different ways can help to make parts of words memorable. You could highlight the tricky part s of the word or write the tricky part in a different colour. You could also write each letter in a different colour, or write the word in red, then overlay in orange, yellow and so on.
- · Making up memorable 'silly sentences' containing the word
- Saying the word in a funny way for example, pronouncing the 'silent' letters in a word
- · Clapping and counting to identify the syllables in a word.

Pyramid words	This method of learning words forces you to think of each letter separately.
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	pyramid You can then reverse the process so that you end up with a diamond.

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Why i?

When adding an ending to verbs ending in **y**,

the **y** becomes **i** if the ending begins with **e**.

Feed each word through its ending machine to find the new word.

