

Maple Class, Year 5 Spelling Word List 12th January 2026

Year 5 and 6 word list

Revision: Autumn Term Y3 and 4 words	To learn this week: Year 5 and 6 word list
Rule: The Year 3 and 4 and Y5 and 6 word lists contain words that should always be spelled correctly in your writing, and you should know to check them.	
arrive appear build complete disappear extreme guard history imagine important peculiar promise strength thought	attached category committee definite exaggerate excellent foreign interrupt lightning marvellous mischievous privilege relevant rhythm stomach symbol twelfth yacht

Top Tips for learning a spelling:

1. Test yourself – how many do you know? Look at what you got right and what you got wrong. Often, people are wrong only because of one letter.
2. Learn your spellings using scrabble tiles. Pick out the letters to make the word. Mix them up and make the word from memory.
3. Look at the way colour has been used in the examples. The colour is used to pick out the rule or the syllables: Write out your spellings using this two colour method: vegetable
4. Find words within words: vegetable
5. Learn the rule. Make sure you understand it.
6. Make your own flashcards – learn three a day.
7. Spelling strategies for this year

<p>Identify the graphemes in a word:</p> <p>special</p> <p>s - p - e - c - i - a - l</p> <p>. . . - . .</p>	<p>Write each syllable of the word in a different colour.</p> <p>es - ti - mate</p>	<p>Identify the tricky bit in your word. Write it in a different colour.</p> <p>knee</p>
<p>Spelling graffiti</p> <p>Use a fancy font to spell the word.</p> <p>GRAFFITI</p>	<p>Look at the word, thinking about the shape. Close your eyes and see the shape outline.</p> <p>hippopotamus</p>	<p>Make up a mnemonic.</p> <p>rhythm</p> <p>Rhythm helps your two hips move</p>

Choose a strategy and practice some of the harder words for this week using that strategy.