

Year 2 children are expected to know how to read and spell these 'tricky words' as per the exceptions of the National Curriculum. Focus on the spelling in fun ways – we do regularly at school as well. Most children know how to read them already – well done!!

Common Exception Words


Year 1

a	his	push	was
are	house	put	we
ask	I	said	were
be	is	says	where
by	love	school	you
come	me	she	your
do	my	so	
friend	no	some	
full	of	the	
go	once	there	
has	one	they	
he	our	to	
here	pull	today	

Year 2

after	class	floor	most	pretty
again	climb	gold	move	prove
any	clothes	grass	Mr	should
bath	cold	great	Mrs	steak
beautiful	could	half	old	sugar
because	door	hold	only	sure
behind	even	hour	parents	told
both	every	improve	pass	water
break	everybody	kind	past	who
busy	eye	last	path	whole
child	fast	many	people	wild
children	father	mind	plant	would
Christmas	find	money	poor	

Writing Mat Expected Year 2

Punctuation Power!	
	Correctly sized spaces
A	Capital letters to begin a sentence and for names and places
.	A full stop at the end of a sentence
!	Exclamation marks for exclamations or surprise
?	Question marks for questions

Super Spellings... I need to know many of these:			
poor	cold	again	move
find	gold	grass	prove
mind	hold	pass	half
floor	told	plant	parents
eye	every	path	money
kind	great	door	improve
who	break	both	sugar
whole	steak	most	could
any	Mrs	even	would
child	after	climb	beautiful
wild	fast	busy	because
Mr	last	people	should
only	past	pretty	behind
old	father	sure	Christmas
many	class	bath	everybody
clothes	water	hour	children

Some have capital letters.

Use apostrophes to show contractions.			
hasn't	it's	she'll	I've
(has not)	(it is/it has)	(she will)	(I have)

Sneaky Suffixes	
glue on the end of a word:	
-ment	amazement
-ness	happiness
-ful	playful
-less	hopeless
-ly	angrily
Sometimes suffixes change the end of the root word.	

Smashing Sentences	
Statement	I am seven.
Question	How old are you?
Exclamation	What a nice surprise it is to see you!
Command	Come to my party.

Terrific Tenses	
Present	The girl plays drums / The girl is playing the drums.
Past	The girl played the drums.

Jolly Joining Words	
Co-ordination	
and but so	
Subordination	
if that because when	
George can play outside when he has had his dinner.	
The horse would win the race if it kept running.	
The frog made a loud croaking sound that made me jump.	
The greenhouse window got smashed because Zara hit it with her football.	

Describe
Use noun phrases to add more detail.
the cold, deep sea
a tall, leafless tree
a creaky, wooden box

