

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Spelling 300



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Spelling 300 Course Overview

In the third-grade spelling course, students will delve into relevant spelling rules and word families throughout thirty weeks of instruction. Students will not only practice phonics skills including syllabication and sounding out multisyllabic words, but also incorporation of word parts such as prefixes and suffixes. These lessons not only meet instructional needs for spelling, but also reinforce language arts skills including application of the writing process and reading comprehension.

Each unit represents a specific spelling rule or word family. Each unit contains five short assignments per week that can be taught as a stand-alone course or can easily integrate with English Language Arts curriculum. Lessons and projects include media to support the content, as well as incorporation of rubrics and positive messages for students that can support character education requirements.

Unit 1: Multisyllabic Short A Words		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Image Sentences*
	2. Examine and Explore Words	10. Using Spelling Words in Writing
	3. Project: Missing Letters*	11. Project: Image Spelling Story*
	4. Project: Choose the Correct Spelling Word*	12. Project: Favorite Event*
	5. Project: Spelling Word Sentences*	13. Project: What is Happening Here?*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Completing the Sentence*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Using Spelling Words in Context*	

Unit 2: Multisyllabic Short E Words		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Words and Synonyms*
	2. Exploring Spelling Words	10. Writing with Spelling Words
	3. Project: Dividing Words by Syllables*	11. Project: Spelling Words in Poetry*
	4. Project: Missing Letters*	12. Project: What is Happening Here?*
	5. Project: Secret Code*	13. Project: Best or Worst Birthday Story*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Words in Context*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Choose the Correct Word*	

Unit 3: Multisyllabic Short I Words		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Words and Antonyms*
	2. Exploring Spelling Words	10. Writing with Spelling Words
	3. Project: Missing Syllables*	11. Project: Spelling Words in Sentences*
	4. Project: Visual Spelling Words*	12. Project: What is Happening Here?*
	5. Project: Alphabetical Order*	13. Project: My Favorite Thing to Do *
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Words in Images*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Choose the Correct Word*	

Unit 4: Multisyllabic Short O Words		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Words in Images*
	2. Exploring Spelling Words	10. Writing with Spelling Words
	3. Project: Compound Word Math*	11. Project: Word Group Writing*
	4. Project: Creating Compound Words*	12. Project: Image Spelling Story*
	5. Project: Spelling Word Work*	13. Project: Hidden Word Sentences*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Hidden Word*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Spelling Words in Sentences *	

Unit 5: Multisyllabic Short U Words		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Words in Images*
	2. Syllable Separation	10. Alphabet Book
	3. Project: Missing Vowels*	11. Project: Word Group Writing*
	4. Project: Word Unscramble*	12. Project: Story Finisher*
	5. Project: Word Waterfall*	13. Project: I Can Sentences*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Story	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Misspelled Words	

Unit 6: Multisyllabic Words and Long Vowel Sounds for /AI/ And /AY/		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Which Word is Best?*
	2. Word Families	10. Broadcast News
	3. Project: Which Word is Correct?*	11. Project: Blogging with Spelling Words*
	4. Project: Climbing the Word Mountain*	12. Project: Story Starters*
	5. Project: Word Art*	13. Project: Book Covers*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Synonyms*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Misspelled Words*	

Unit 7: Multisyllabic Words and Long Vowel Sounds for /EA/ And /EE/		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Copyediting*
	2. Word Families	10. Guess What?
	3. Project: Alphabetical Order*	11. Project: Emailing with Spelling Words*
	4. Project: Creative Letters*	12. Project: I Am...*
	5. Project: Shortest to Longest*	13. Project: Help Wanted Ads*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Antonyms*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Spelling Riddles*	

Unit 8: Review List		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Misspelled Words*
	2. Word Sorts	10. Once Upon a Time...
	3. Project: Vowel Sorts*	11. Project: Letter to My Monster*
	4. Project: Secret Code*	12. Project: Figurative Language*
	5. Project: Missing Vowels*	13. Project: How-To*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: My Dictionary*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Acrostic Poem*	

Unit 9: Multisyllabic Words and Long Vowel Sounds for /OA/		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Words in Images*
	2. Missing Vowels	10. Postcard
	3. Project: Suffix Sort*	11. Project: Spelling Word Bookmark*
	4. Project: Creative Letters*	12. Project: Stretch a Sentence*
	5. Project: Word Waterfall*	13. Project: I Wonder...*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Synonyms*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: What is the Correct Word?*	

Unit 10: Long Vowel Sounds with Words Ending in E		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Word Clues*
	2. Misspelled Words	10. Descriptive Writing
	3. Project: Vowel Sort*	11. Project: Spelling Words In Dialogue*
	4. Project: Number Code*	12. Project: Sequence Writing*
	5. Project: Word Unscramble*	13. Project: But, Then, Also*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Antonyms*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Silly Sentences*	

Unit 11: Multisyllabic Words with Closed Syllables		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Definition Sort*
	2. Spelling Word Syllables	10. Acrostic Poems
	3. Project: Alphabetical Order*	11. Project: Spelling Words in Song*
	4. Project: Partial Words*	12. Project: If/Then*
	5. Project: Word Waterfall*	13. Project: Smiley Sentences*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Synonym Sentences*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Connections*	

Unit 12: Multisyllabic Words and Open Syllables**Assignments**

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| 1. Introduction to Spelling List | 9. Project: Definition Sort* |
| 2. Spelling Word Syllables | 10. Choose Your Own Ending |
| 3. Project: Identifying Vowels* | 11. Project: Simile Search* |
| 4. Project: Identifying Consonants* | 12. Project: Character, Problem, Setting* |
| 5. Project: Sound Study* | 13. Project: Spelling Word Card* |
| 6. Context and Meaning of Words | 14. Unit Test |
| 7. Project: Spelling Word Sentences* | 15. Glossary and Credits |
| 8. Project: Spelling Word Story* | |

Unit 13: Using Contractions Correctly**Assignments**

Spelling 300

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| 1. Introduction to Spelling List | 9. Project: Contraction Clues* |
| 2. Misspelled Words | 10. I Thought I Couldn't.... |
| 3. Project: Contraction Sort* | 11. Project: Mnemonic Device* |
| 4. Project: Identifying the Correct Contraction* | 12. Project: Awesome Alliterations* |
| 5. Project: Creative Colors* | 13. Project: Write Your Own Fable* |
| 6. Context and Meaning of Words | 14. Unit Test |
| 7. Project: Contraction Action* | 15. Glossary and Credits |
| 8. Project: Spelling Word Story* | |

Unit 14: /QU/ Words**Assignments**

Spelling 300

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| 1. Introduction to Spelling List | 9. Project: Venn Diagram* |
| 2. The /QU/ Team | 10. Dear Classmate |
| 3. Project: Sound Sort* | 11. Project: Movie Script Staring /QU/!* |
| 4. Project: Hexagon Spelling* | 12. Project: Facts and Opinions* |
| 5. Project: Alphabetical Order* | 13. Project: Dear Diary* |
| 6. Context and Meaning of Words | 14. Unit Test |
| 7. Project: 3, 2, 1* | 15. Glossary and Credits |
| 8. Project: Spelling Word Antonyms* | |

Unit 15: Consonant Doubling When Adding -ed or -ing to Verbs**Assignments**

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| 1. Introduction to Spelling List | 9. Project: Haiku Poems* |
| 2. Long Vowels Versus Short Vowels | 10. My Haiku Poems |
| 3. Project: Vowel Hunt* | 11. Project: I Can Sentences* |
| 4. Project: Climbing a Word Mountain* | 12. Project: Word Art* |
| 5. Project: Word Scramble* | 13. Project: Silly Sentences* |
| 6. Context and Meaning of Words | 14. Unit Test |
| 7. Project: Spelling Word Clues* | 15. Glossary and Credits |
| 8. Project: Spelling Word Synonyms* | |

Unit 16: Review List		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Words in a Story*
	2. Word Sorts	10. Book Jacket
	3. Project: Syllable Sorts*	11. Project: My Adventure*
	4. Project: What is the Word Worth?*	12. Project: Talk to Me!*
	5. Project: Spelling Syllables*	13. Project: Stretch Sentences*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: My Dictionary*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Misspelled Word*	

Unit 17: Plural Regular Nouns		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Similes and Metaphors*
	2. Singular Word Versus Plural Word	10. My Similes and Metaphors
	3. Project: Word Endings*	11. Project: Stretched Sentences*
	4. Project: Word Steps*	12. Project: My Advice*
	5. Project: Word Scramble*	13. Project: Silly Sentences*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Which is the Correct Word?*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Spelling Word Synonym Sentences*	

Unit 18: Irregular Plural Nouns: Changing y to -ies		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Word Clues*
	2. Singular Word Versus Plural Word	10. #Spelling
	3. Project: Word Endings*	11. Project: Wanted: Outlaw Speller*
	4. Project: Mirror Words*	12. Project: Book Award*
	5. Project: Misspelled Words*	13. Project: Image Writing Prompt*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Sentence Confusion!*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Spelling Word Illustrations*	

Unit 19: Irregular Plural Nouns: Changing f or -fe to -ves		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Definition Sort*
	2. Singular Word Versus Plural Word	10. Word Hero!
	3. Project: Word Endings*	11. Project: Thank You*
	4. Project: Buddy Words*	12. Project: Snowflakes or Sun*
	5. Project: Singular Sentences*	13. Project: Image Writing Prompt*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Choose the Right Word*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Copyediting*	

Unit 20: Homophones		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Homophone Illustrations*
	2. Homophone Pictures	10. Homophones and Spell Check
	3. Project: Longest to Shortest*	11. Project: You're Hired!*
	4. Project: Creative Letters*	12. Project: Letter to My Friend the Alien*
	5. Project: Word Waterfall*	13. Project: Story Starter*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Sentences*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: What is Wrong?*	

Unit 21: Words Using the Suffix -ful/-fully		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Quick Draw*
	2. Word Endings	10. I Have a Friend Who...
	3. Project: Word Unscramble*	11. Project: My Bucket List*
	4. Project: Misspelled Words*	12. Project: The Spelling Song*
	5. Project: Base Words*	13. Project: Image Writing Prompt*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Choose the Right Word*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Spelling Word Synonyms*	

Unit 22: Words Using the Suffix -able/-ably		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Other Words*
	2. Word Endings	10. Acceptance Speech
	3. Project: Word Syllables*	11. Project: Ongoing Sentences*
	4. Project: Vowels*	12. Project: All About This Year*
	5. Project: Base Words*	13. Project: Heart Map*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Choose the Right Word*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Meaning Mix-Up*	

Unit 23: Words Using the Suffix -ly/-ally		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Looks Like/Sounds Like*
	2. Word Endings	10. Zoom In
	3. Project: Word Syllables*	11. Project: Which Book and Why?*
	4. Project: Consonants*	12. Project: 50 Word Story*
	5. Project: Base Words*	13. Project: Biography*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Riddles*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Silly Sentences*	

Unit 24: Review List		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Words in a Story*
	2. Word Sorts	10. Book Jacket
	3. Project: Word Ending Sorts*	11. Project: InstaPhoto*
	4. Project: What is the Word Worth?*	12. Project: Day in the Life*
	5. Project: Spelling Syllables*	13. Project: My Family Tradition*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: My Dictionary*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Misspelled Word*	

Unit 25: Words Using the Suffix -er		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Word Antonyms*
	2. What is the Word Worth?	10. Selfie Poem
	3. Project: Word Syllables*	11. Project: Four W's Sentences*
	4. Project: Word Squares*	12. Project: I am an Authority on...*
	5. Project: Base Words*	13. Project: School Year Reflection*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Definition Sort*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Scrambled Sentences*	

Unit 26: Words Ending in -le/al		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Word Synonyms*
	2. Identify Word Endings	10. Spelling Slideshow
	3. Project: Word Math*	11. Project: If I Could be Any Shape...*
	4. Project: Alphabetical Order*	12. Project: Definitely, Definitely Not, Kind Of*
	5. Project: Misspelled Words*	13. Project: In Summary*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Which Word is Best?*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Guess What?*	

Unit 27: Words Ending in -tion/sion		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Word Art*
	2. Identify Word Endings	10. Magic Mirror
	3. Project: Forward/Backwards*	11. Project: My Invention*
	4. Project: Missing Vowels*	12. Project: Rebus Stories*
	5. Project: Buddy Words*	13. Project: Haiku*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Image Match*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Is Like/Not Like*	

Unit 28: Number Words		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Word Illustrations*
	2. Pattern Sorts	10. Advertisement
	3. Project: Alphabetical Order*	11. Project: How Many?*
	4. Project: Partial Words*	12. Project: Comic Strip*
	5. Project: Number = Number Words*	13. Project: Number Word Limericks*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Image Match*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Numbers in Sentences*	

Unit 29: Words using un-, im-, and in- Prefixes Meaning 'Not'		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Word Opposites*
	2. Prefix Sorts	10. Me and My Family
	3. Project: Highlight Word Beginnings*	11. Project: I Can Help the Earth by...*
	4. Project: Longest to Shortest*	12. Project: Tall Tale*
	5. Project: Misspelled Words*	13. Project: City Guide*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: Spelling Word Story*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Connections*	

Unit 30: Review List		
Spelling 300	Assignments	
	1. Introduction to Spelling List	9. Project: Spelling Word Definition Sort*
	2. Word Sorts	10. Book Jacket
	3. Project: Word Ending Sorts*	11. Project: Where Does it Come From?*
	4. Project: What is the Word Worth?*	12. Project: Image Writing*
	5. Project: Spelling Syllables*	13. Project: Concrete Poetry*
	6. Context and Meaning of Words	14. Unit Test
	7. Project: My Dictionary*	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Project: Choose the Correct Word*	

(*) Indicates alternative assignment