Spelling strategies

From January, you will be taught explicitly how to use the following strategies to learn the spellings.

- 1. Sounding it out (WED NES DAY)
- 2. Acronyms and mnemonics: Diarrhoea: Don't Inhale After Roger Rabbit Has Over Eaten Apples; believe: don't believe a lie
- 3. **Morphology**: autobiography = auto + bio + graphy
- 4. **Key spelling rules and their exceptions**: 'I' before 'E' except after 'C'; change the 'y' to 'i' and add 'es'.
- 5. **Colour writing**: Write the vowels in red and the consonants in blue.
- 6. Using shapes: break down the work into section using shapes. E.g.



Spelling practice

There are a lot of different ways you can practice learning spellings at home. Here are a few methods to practise:

- 1. **Scrambled word:** muddle up the letters in the word and challenge yourself to reorder them correctly.
- 2. **Crossword:** create a crossword for with the meanings of the words as clues.
- 3. **Word search:** create a crossword then complete it and find all the words.
- 4. **Scrabble:** play scrabble or use scrabble tiles to work out the totals of the words.
- 5. **Ransom words:** cut out the letters from a newspaper or magazine and use them to create the week's spellings.
- 6. **Missing letters:** write out the words with line for letters then add in the correct letters by filling in the missing letter.