## The Regis School Spelling Lists Year 8



## Why is spelling important?

Aside from being given marks for spelling in exams, learning to spell is extremely useful if we want to become confident readers and writers. If you are constantly stopping to think about how words are spelled while you write, it can interrupt the flow of your thoughts, taking you away from what we want you to be thinking about: your choice of words and *how* you construct those words into sentences that communicate **exactly** what you want to say.

If you are a confident speller, you are also much more likely to make adventurous vocabulary choices, selecting the exact word to communicate your message, rather than playing it safe and using a word they you already know how to spell.

Being a great speller makes you a more effective communicator, allowing you to share your own thoughts and ideas with the world!

Use this booklet to develop your spelling and vocabulary each week to make your writing clearer and more sophisticated.

Week 1	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Attempt 4
1. Exam				
2. Exit				
3. Examine				
4. Example				
5. Illegal				
6. Illegible				
7. Illiterate				
8. Irresistible				
9. Irresponsible				
10. Irreversible				
Challenge Words				
Necessary				
Coliseum				

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Week 2	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Attempt 4
1. earn				
2. early				
3. yearn				
4. earth				
5. laziest				
6. loneliest				
7. loveliest				
8. miscalculate				
9. misinterpret				
10. misadventure				
Challenge Words				
Coordination				
Hypothesis				

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Week 3	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Attempt 4
1. horror				
2. doctor				
3. calculator				
4. director				
5. inspector				
6. dictator				
7. conductor				
8. distributor				
9. predecessor				
10. denominator				
Challenge Words				
Defibrillator				
Discriminator				

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Week 4	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Attempt 4
1. dried				
2. spied				
3. tries				
4. cried				
5. achieve				
6. believe				
7. relieved				
8. ancient				
9. seize				
10. forfeit				
Challenge Words				
Counterfeit				
Conscience				

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Week 5	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Attempt 4
1.allowed				
2. aloud				
3. bought				
4. brought				
5. breaking				
6. braking				
7. practice				
8. practise				
9. affect				
10. effect				
Challenge Words				
Conscience				
Conscious				

Week 6	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Attempt 4
1.horror				
2. earn				
3. Exam				
4. director				
5. illegal				
6. laziest				
7. inspector				
8. ancient				
9. predecessor				
10. forfeit				
Challenge Words				
Defibrillator				
Hypothesis				

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