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Key stage 2

English grammar, punctuation and spelling test mark schemes

Paper 1: questions

Paper 2: spelling



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1. Introduction

The Standards and Testing Agency (STA) is responsible for the development and delivery of statutory tests and assessments. STA is an executive agency of the Department for Education.

The 2018 tests assess the national curriculum. This test has been developed to meet the specification set out in the [test framework](#)¹ for English grammar, punctuation and spelling at key stage 2.

A new test and new mark schemes will be produced each year.

Key stage 2 tests are marked by external markers, who receive training to ensure the published mark schemes are applied consistently and fairly. The mark schemes are provided to show teachers how the tests are marked. The pupil examples are based on responses gathered from the test trialling process.

Scaled score conversion tables are not included in this document. Conversion tables will be produced as part of the standards maintenance process. [Scaled score conversion tables](#)² for the 2018 tests will be published in July 2018. The standards confirmation meeting will take place in June 2018.

2. Structure of the test

The key stage 2 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test comprises:

- Paper 1: questions (50 marks)
- Paper 2: spelling (20 marks)

3. Content domain coverage

The 2018 test meets the specification in the test framework. Tables 1 and 3 set out the areas of the content domain that are assessed in Paper 1 and Paper 2.

¹ www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-2-english-grammar-punctuation-and-spelling-test-framework
² www.gov.uk/guidance/scaled-scores-at-key-stage-2

4. Paper 1: questions

4.1 Content domain coverage for Paper 1: questions

Table 1 sets out the content domain coverage for questions in Paper 1. Information relating to the codes in Table 1 can be found in the key stage 2 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework.

Table 1: Content domain coverage for questions in Paper 1

Qu.	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6	G7
	Grammatical terms / word classes	Functions of sentences	Combining words, phrases and clauses	Verb forms, tenses and consistency	Punctuation	Vocabulary	Standard English and formality
1					1		
2					1		
3						1	
4		1					
5					1		
6	1						
7					1		
8				1			
9						1	
10		1					
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21	1						
22	1						

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23						1	
24	1						
25							1
26		1					
27	1						
28					1		
29							1
30					1		
31	1						
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43			1				
44	1						
45	1						
46						1	
47					1		
48	1						
49				1			
50			1				

4.2 General marking guidance for Paper 1: questions

To ensure consistency of marking, the most frequent procedural queries are listed in Table 2, along with the action the marker will take.

Recording marks awarded

Marking takes place on screen, with markers viewing scanned images of pupils' responses. Marks are entered into the marking system in accordance with the guidance for the on-screen marking software.

For each question, markers record the award of 1 or 0 marks as appropriate, according to the mark scheme criteria. There is provision in the software to record questions not attempted. The software aggregates marks automatically.

The following guidance applies to all questions in Paper 1.

Table 2: General marking principles for Paper 1

	Accept	Do not accept
Tick boxes and tables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, e.g. the box is crossed rather than ticked the correct answer is circled rather than ticked 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answers in which more than the required number of boxes have been ticked
Circling or underlining of the answer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, such as the answer being enclosed within a box 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answers in which more than the required number of words have been encircled / underlined answers in which the correct answer is encircled / underlined, together with any surrounding words
Drawing lines to 'match' boxes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> lines that do not touch the boxes, provided the intention is clear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> multiple lines drawn to / from the same box (unless this is a question requirement)
Labelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> clear labels, whether they use the full vocabulary required by the question or an unambiguous abbreviation, e.g. 'V' for 'verb' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ambiguity in labelling, e.g. the use of 'AD' or 'A' where a distinction is required between 'adjective' and 'adverb'

	Accept	Do not accept
Punctuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> correctly formed punctuation that is clear, unambiguous and recognisable as the required punctuation mark 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> punctuation that is ambiguous, e.g. if it is unclear whether the mark is a comma or full stop incorrectly formed punctuation marks, e.g. an inverted question mark
Sentences and capital letters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a sentence that has an initial capital letter and an appropriate punctuation mark indicating the end of the sentence capital letters that are clear and unambiguous <p>Where letters do not have unique capital letter forms, the height of the capital letter will be equal to, or greater than, that of letters with ascenders.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answers in which capital letters are omitted or placed inappropriately in a sentence, or where an entire word is capitalised
Spelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> incorrect spellings of the correct response if no specific mark scheme guidance is given 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> incorrect spellings of answers for which the mark scheme requires correct spelling <p>Correct spelling is required for the award of the mark for the majority of questions in Paper 1, especially for questions assessing contracted forms, verb forms, plurals, prefixes and suffixes.</p>

	Accept	Do not accept
Answers outside the expected space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a correct answer given somewhere other than the answer space, provided it is not contradicted by another answer written elsewhere correct answers that are written in the 'blank' within a question, rather than in the expected space below it correct answers in which the pupil has written out a word or sentence that is already provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answers that are given outside the expected space and contradicted by another answer written elsewhere
More than one answer given	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> multiple answers that are all correct according to the mark scheme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> responses where both the correct and incorrect answers are given
Handwriting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answers that are clear, unambiguous and recognisable, including letters that have been reversed, but which are still clearly identifiable to the marker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answers that are unclear or ambiguous
Crossed-out answers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> correct answers that have not been crossed out correct answers that replace a crossed-out attempt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> crossed-out answers

4.3 Explanation of the mark schemes for Paper 1: questions

The mark schemes contain the following information for each question:

- the question number
- the question from the test paper
- what is required to answer each question – either a correct answer or examples of different types of creditworthy response
- how many marks are available for this question
- any additional guidance that may be relevant
- the content domain reference.

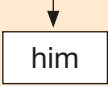
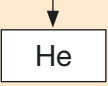

5. Mark schemes for Paper 1: questions

Qu.	Requirement	Mark																				
1 G5.6a	Award 1 mark for a correctly placed comma. Although he was the youngest, Tom was one of the tallest.	1m																				
2 G5.3 G2.2	<div>What really happened that day</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></div>	1m																				
3 G6.2 G6.4	<div>to play again</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></div>	1m																				
4 G2.1 G2.2 G2.3	Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table. <table><tr><th>Sentence</th><th>Question</th><th>Statement</th><th>Command</th></tr><tr><td>In autumn, many trees lose their leaves</td><td></td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Look at the trees carefully</td><td></td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr><tr><td>Scientists are studying how trees can live for thousands of years</td><td></td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>How can you tell a tree’s age</td><td>✓</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Sentence	Question	Statement	Command	In autumn, many trees lose their leaves		✓		Look at the trees carefully			✓	Scientists are studying how trees can live for thousands of years		✓		How can you tell a tree’s age	✓			1m
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5 G5.5 G5.6a	Award 1 mark for two correctly placed commas. Ana’s favourite things are camping, holidays, cycling and swimming.	1m																				
6 G1.6	<div>The lively crowd cheered loudly when the rally car race began.</div> <div><div><div>↑</div><div><input type="checkbox"/></div></div><div><div>↑</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div></div><div><div>↑</div><div><input type="checkbox"/></div></div><div><div>↑</div><div><input type="checkbox"/></div></div></div>	1m																				
7 G5.9	Award 1 mark for a correctly placed pair of commas. My father, who works at the museum, gave my class a guided tour.	1m																				

Qu.	Requirement	Mark															
8 G4.2	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> In three weeks' time, I will be on holiday. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div>	1m															
9 G6.1	make <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1m															
	<input type="checkbox"/>																
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	<input type="checkbox"/>																
10 G2.3	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> Bring a coat in case it rains. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div>	1m															
11 G6.2 G6.4	<p>Award 1 mark for all four correct.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Prefix</th><th></th><th>Word</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>im</td><td>•</td><td>correct</td></tr> <tr> <td>in</td><td>•</td><td>mature</td></tr> <tr> <td>en</td><td>•</td><td>fortune</td></tr> <tr> <td>mis</td><td>•</td><td>able</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Prefix		Word	im	•	correct	in	•	mature	en	•	fortune	mis	•	able	1m
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12 G4.1b	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> had set <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div>	1m															
13 G7.1	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> My friend was tidying the classroom. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div>	1m															

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
14 G5.12	I find baking tricky – there are too many things to go wrong. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	1m
15 G3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> a main clause <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	1m
16 G5.4	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Was the ending funny <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	1m
17 G5.10	Award 1 mark for a correctly placed colon. There are two places that I have always wanted to visit: the Arctic and Antarctica.	1m
18 G1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> We heard <u>thunder</u> , but we did not see any lightning. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	1m
19 G5.6b	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Lately, the days have been growing noticeably longer and warmer. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1m

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
20 G4.1c	<p>Award 1 mark for a response that demonstrates that the modal verb indicates possibility or uncertainty, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>In the second sentence they are not definitely going swimming.</i> • <i>The second sentence means maybe they are going to go swimming.</i> • <i>In the second sentence, they might go but in the first, they will definitely go.</i> <p>Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g.</p> <p><i>In the first one, they are definitely going.</i></p> <p>Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding by using an appropriate alternative modal verb, e.g.</p> <p><i>In the second one, they could go swimming.</i></p> <p>There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.</p>	1m
21 G1.8	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="margin-right: 10px;">determiner</div> <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 5px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> </div>	1m
22 G1.4	<p>Award 1 mark for the correct insertion of an appropriate subordinating conjunction, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We listened to the music <u>while</u> we ate our lunch. • We listened to the music <u>whilst</u> we ate our lunch. • We listened to the music <u>as</u> we ate our lunch. • We listened to the music <u>when</u> we ate our lunch. <p>Do not accept misspellings of the subordinating conjunction.</p>	1m
23 G6.4 G1.1	<p>Award 1 mark for the correct insertion of an appropriate noun, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The engineer thought her latest <u>invention/inventions</u> would solve the problem. • The engineer thought her latest <u>inventor/inventors</u> would solve the problem. <p>Do not accept misspellings.</p>	1m

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
24 G1.5	<p>Award 1 mark for the correct pronoun inserted in each box.</p> <p>When Jack's grandmother came to stay, she gave <u>Jack</u> some money.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p><u>Jack</u> used his money to buy a new game called Gables. Jack could not</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>wait to get home and play <u>the new game</u>.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Do not accept misspellings of pronouns.</p>	1m
25 G7.2 G7.3	<p>Watching too much television should be avoided. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m
26 G2.2 G5.3	<p>Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct and accurately punctuated question, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Is the band playing at the festival?</i> • <i>Do you know if the band is playing at the festival?</i> • <i>Are Busted playing at the festival?</i> • <i>Are the band playing Leeds this year?</i> <p>Also accept a correctly constructed and punctuated question that is enclosed in inverted commas, e.g.</p> <p><i>"Is the band going to be playing at the festival?"</i></p> <p>Do not accept the addition of a reporting clause resulting in a question contained within a statement, e.g.</p> <p><i>Jane asked, "Is the band playing at the festival?"</i></p>	1m
27 G1.9	<p>Award 1 mark for the subject underlined.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <u>tightrope walker</u> carried a balancing pole. • <u>The tightrope walker</u> carried a balancing pole. 	1m
28 G5.9	<p>Award 1 mark for a correct response, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dash/dashes/pair of dashes</i> • <i>Brackets/pair of brackets</i> <p>There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.</p>	1m

Qu.	Requirement	Mark												
29 G7.2	<p>Award 1 mark for the correct word encircled in each box.</p> <div> <div> catch-up celebration get-together </div> <div> fab really cool momentous </div> <div> start up commence kick off </div> </div>	1m												
30 G5.8	<p>Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.</p> <table> <tr> <th></th><th>Singular</th><th>Plural</th></tr> <tr> <td>The <u>customers</u>' hunger was satisfied by the pizza.</td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr> <td>The <u>princess's</u> slippers were made of glass.</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Those are the <u>boys</u>' books.</td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr> </table>		Singular	Plural	The <u>customers</u> ' hunger was satisfied by the pizza.		✓	The <u>princess's</u> slippers were made of glass.	✓		Those are the <u>boys</u> ' books.		✓	1m
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31 G1.3 G1.6	<p>Award 1 mark for both correct.</p> <p>Josef has <u>beautiful</u> writing. <i>Adjective</i></p> <p>Josef writes <u>beautifully</u>. <i>Adverb</i></p> <p>There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.</p>	1m												
32 G4.3	<p>She suggested that her mother be present. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m												
33 G1.7	<p>Award 1 mark for all four correct.</p> <p>On a mountain bike, you can cycle across rocky ground, along muddy paths and over harsh terrain.</p>	1m												
34 G5.13 G5.5	<p>Award 1 mark for a hyphen and comma correctly inserted.</p> <p>My grandmother is a ballroom–dancing champion, poet and singer.</p>	1m												

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
35 G5.8	<p>Award 1 mark for a response that demonstrates understanding of the plural possessive apostrophe, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>In the second sentence, it means that there is more than one brother.</i> <i>In the second one, it shows plural possession.</i> <i>1. One brother. 2. Two brothers.</i> <p>Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g.</p> <p><i>In the first sentence, there is only one brother.</i></p> <p>There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.</p>	1m
36 G5.9	<p>Award 1 mark for two correct sentences ticked.</p> <p>There are some books – including story books – in <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the cupboard.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Our classroom, at the end of the corridor, has a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> red door.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m
37 G3.1a	<p>Award 1 mark for all three correct.</p> <p>We visited the funfair <u>that came to our town</u>.</p> <p>My uncle <u>who lives in Australia</u> has sent me a present.</p> <p>My friend <u>whose rabbit I look after</u> is on holiday.</p>	1m
38 G4.1a G1.2	<p>Award 1 mark for both correct.</p> <p>During the winter months, the sun <u>does</u> not appear high in</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p style="text-align: center;">did</p> <p>the sky and the days <u>are</u> much shorter than the nights.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p style="text-align: center;">were</p> <p>Do not accept misspellings of verb forms.</p>	1m
39 G3.2	<p>Award 1 mark for a correct response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>noun phrase</i> <i>expanded noun phrase</i> <p>There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.</p>	1m

Qu.	Requirement	Mark												
40 G4.4	<p>Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th><th>Active</th><th>Passive</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>The lost dog was found by the children.</td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr> <td>Everyone heard the thunder.</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Nicole was riding her bike.</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table>		Active	Passive	The lost dog was found by the children.		✓	Everyone heard the thunder.	✓		Nicole was riding her bike.	✓		1m
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Nicole was riding her bike.	✓													
41 G5.7	<p>Award 1 mark for an appropriate, grammatically correct and accurately punctuated sentence in direct speech, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I asked, <i>"Do you need any help?"</i> • I asked, <i>'Do you need me to help you?'</i> • I asked, <i>"Is any help needed?"</i> • I asked, <i>"Would you like me to help you?"</i> • I asked, <i>"Do you need any help with that?"</i> • I asked, <i>'Rosie, do you need me to help you?'</i> 	1m												
42 G1.5a	<p>Award 1 mark for the correct word encircled.</p> <p>When Mum saw that I was wearing Oliver's gloves, she wanted to know where <u>(mine)</u> were.</p>	1m												
43 G3.3	<p>Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct and accurately punctuated sentence using an appropriate co-ordinating conjunction, with or without a preceding comma, e.g.</p> <p><i>We have time to play a game, <u>but</u> we will have to finish it before dinner.</i></p> <p><i>We have time to play a game <u>and</u> we will have to finish it before dinner.</i></p>	1m												
44 G1.6a	<p>Award 1 mark for</p> <p><u>On Wednesday</u>, Felix has a dental appointment.</p>	1m												
45 G1.5b	<p>Award 1 mark for the correct word encircled.</p> <p>The boy <u>(who)</u> knocked on our door was at the wrong house.</p>	1m												
46 G6.3 G6.4	<p>Award 1 mark for two correct words inserted.</p> <p>Our school believes in <u>equality</u> for all pupils.</p> <p>We took <u>additional</u> clothing in case it turned cold.</p> <p>Do not accept misspellings.</p>	1m												

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
47 G5.1	<p>Award 1 mark for all five correct.</p> <p>the island called zanzibar is in the indian ocean off the coast of africa.</p>	1m
48 G1.2	<p>Award 1 mark for all four correct.</p> <p>There were hundreds of gulls circling in the sky.</p> <p>They gathered near the dock, searching for scraps.</p>	1m
49 G4.1d G1.2	<p>Award 1 mark for</p> <p>I taught my sister to skateboard.</p> <p>↓</p> <p>am teaching</p> <p>Do not accept misspellings of verb forms.</p>	1m
50 G3.4	<p>Award 1 mark for</p> <p>Hassan and I are going to our dance class; we are going to be late as we missed the bus.</p>	1m

6. Paper 2: spelling

6.1 Content domain coverage for Paper 2: spelling

This information is provided in Table 3.

6.2 General marking guidance for Paper 2: spelling


The following guidance applies to all questions in Paper 2. Please read this carefully before applying the individual mark schemes.


- If the pupil makes more than one attempt, it must be clear which answer the pupil wishes to be marked.
- If the pupil makes two or more attempts and it is not clear which is to be considered, the mark is not awarded.
- The pupil can answer in upper or lower case, or a mixture of the two. The exception to this is for days of the week, which must be written in lower-case letters with an initial capital letter for the award of the mark.
- If the pupil has answered with the correct sequence of letters but has incorrectly inserted an apostrophe or a hyphen, the mark is not awarded.
- If the pupil has answered with the correct sequence of letters but these have been separated into clearly divided components, with or without a hyphen, the mark is not awarded.

6.3 Pupil version of Paper 2: spelling

Spelling task	
1. Mum hit her _____ with the hammer.	11. I _____ from a cold last week.
2. The boy had _____ keeping up with his elder sister.	12. It was a _____ autumn day.
3. Add eggs to your cake _____.	13. Jaya _____ walks to school.
4. The new laptop is light and _____.	14. Ben took a _____ step onto the ice rink.
5. We put the bread _____ in the oven.	15. Water is _____ to life.
6. My favourite subject at school is _____.	16. David had a _____ idea of where to find the milk.
7. The teacher asked the children to pay _____.	17. Bella was an _____ girl.
8. Raif _____ his parents' permission to go out.	18. The _____ designed the new building.
9. The astronaut felt _____ in space.	19. Queen Elizabeth is a _____ of Queen Victoria.
10. Ralisa was chosen to be a member of the school _____.	20. To give up now would be _____.
END OF TEST	

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7. Mark schemes for Paper 2: spelling

Information relating to the content domain reference codes in Table 3 can be found in the key stage 2 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework.

Table 3: Mark schemes and content domain references for Paper 2

Qu.	Spelling	Mark	Content domain reference
1	thumb	1	S60— words with ‘silent’ letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word)
2	trouble	1	S40— the /ʌ/ sound spelt <i>ou</i>
3	mixture	1	S44— words with endings sounding like /ʒə/ or /tʃə/
4	portable	1	S56— words ending in <i>-able</i> and <i>-ible</i> words ending in <i>-ably</i> and <i>-ibly</i>
5	dough	1	S59— words containing the letter string <i>ough</i>
6	science	1	S55— words ending in <i>-ant</i> , <i>-ance</i> , <i>-ancy</i> , <i>-ent</i> , <i>-ence</i> , <i>-ency</i> S51— words with the /s/ sound spelt <i>sc</i>
7	attention	1	S47— endings that sound like /ʃən/, spelt <i>-tion</i> , <i>-sion</i> , <i>-ssion</i> , <i>-cian</i>
8	obtained	1	S38— adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable
9	weightless	1	S52— words with the /ei/ sound spelt <i>ei</i> , <i>eight</i> , or <i>ey</i>
10	council	1	S61— homophones and near homophones (Years 3 and 4) homophones and other words that are often confused (Years 5 and 6)
11	suffered	1	S38— adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable
12	typical	1	S39— the /i/ sound spelt <i>y</i> other than at the end of words
13	usually	1	S43— the suffix <i>-ly</i>
14	cautious	1	S53— endings which sound like /ʃəs/ spelt <i>-cious</i> or <i>-tious</i>
15	essential	1	S54— endings which sound like /ʃəl/
16	vague	1	S50— words ending with the /g/ sound spelt <i>-gue</i> and the /k/ sound spelt <i>-que</i>
17	adventurous	1	S46— the suffix <i>-ous</i> S38— adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable
18	architect	1	S48— words with the /k/ sound spelt <i>ch</i>
19	descendant	1	S51— words with the /s/ sound spelt <i>sc</i> S60— words with ‘silent’ letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word)
20	inconceivable	1	S58— words with the /i:/ sound spelt <i>ei</i> after <i>c</i>
Total		20	



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