



Spelling rules for Year 4

Adding suffixes to words with more than one syllable (garden, gardening, forgot, forgotten)	'l' sound spelt 'y' (myth, gym, Egypt)	'ou' sound (short u sound) (young, touch, double)
Prefixes (mis, dis, in, un, il, im, in, ir, re, sub, inter, super, anti, auto)	Suffix – ation (information, sensation)	Suffix – ly different rules for endings sad + ly = sadly final + ly = finally happy + ly = happily basic + ly = basically
Endings – sure and -ture (measure, treasure, furniture, adventure)	Endings which sound like 'shun' –sion (division, television)	Suffix – ous (poisonous, serious, glamorous)
Endings –tion, -sion, -ssion, -cian (invention, expansion, expression, musician)	Words which sound like 'k' spelt 'ch' (chemist, scheme)	Ch sound (French origin) (chef, chalet, machine)
'g' sound spelt 'gue' (league, tongue)	's' sound spelt 'sc' (science, scene)	'a' sound spelt ei, eigh or ey (vein, weigh, obey)
Possessive apostrophe with plural words (boys', men's)	Homophones and near homophones (accept/except, hear/here)	'k' sound spelt 'que' (cheque, antique)