Weekly Spelling List: Level Flash Introduction

Each week has a spelling list of 12-14 words. I've grouped most words phonetically (-mp words, -nd words, etc.), but I've also included a few sight words for each week, some of which are linked to the reading or workbook pages (these are marked with an asterisk*). Sometimes words marked with asterisks are not found in the reading or grammar, but are related to it.

Note that phonetic groups are not necessarily complete. For example, not every -ct word is here. The focus is more to give students sufficient exposure to phonetic patterns so they can extend the idea to other words.

Hand out the student worksheet on Day 1 each week for students to see and practice the words during the week. Point out the patterns for the phonetically similar words. When words are tied to readings or the grammar, make that clear as well. Be sure students understand the definitions of all the words.

Feel free to assign fewer words if you think that would be appropriate. I chose 12-14 words as the maximum I would recommend at this level on the assumption that it is easier for the teacher to remove words rather than add them.

Give a spelling test on Day 3 or 4 (depending on if you want to review the list on Day 4 or on Day 1 of the following week). Say each word clearly and use it in a sentence. ("Subject. What is your favorite subject in school? Subject.") If you have students who have not begun writing, you can test them orally (just like a spelling bee).

If you wish, you can also create a vocabulary exercise using these lists. At the beginning of each week, ask your students to tell you the meaning of each word. Make a list of any words they don't know. Assign one word per student. These students should be prepared the next day to share the definitions of the words with the rest of the class. (If you don't have enough words for all students, just be sure to vary who gets words each week. If you have more words than students, students can look up multiple words.)

Week 1
(*Sarah, Plain and Tall;* -ct)

1. act
2. fact
3. impact
4. subtract
5. elect
6. protect
7. respect
8. select
9. subject
10. predict
11. duct
12. plain*
13. prairie*

Week 2
(*Sarah, Plain and Tall;* -ft)

1. craft
2. raft
3. left
4. theft
5. drift
6. gift
7. lift
8. shift
9. swift
10. soft
11. fiction*
12. nonfiction*

Week 3
(*Rickshaw Girl;* -ld)

1. bald
2. bold
3. cold
4. fold
5. gold
6. held
7. hold
8. mild
9. mold
10. sold
11. wild
12. Bangladesh*
13. curry*
14. lentil*

Week 4
(*Rickshaw Girl;* -lf)

1. calf
2. half
3. elf
4. self
5. shelf
6. golf
7. wolf
8. gulf
9. paint*
10. brush*
11. decorate*
12. village*

Week 5
(*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory;* -lk)

1. chalk
2. talk
3. walk
4. elk
5. milk
6. silk
7. yolk
8. sulk
9. common*
10. proper*
11. concrete*
12. abstract*
13. subject*
14. predicate*

Week 6
(*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory;* -lp)

1. scalp
2. help
3. yelp
4. gulp
5. goose*
6. geese*
7. sheep*
8. deer*
9. moose*
10. fish*
11. pajamas*
12. glasses*

Week 7 (*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory;* -,lt)

1. halt
2. salt
3. belt
4. felt
5. melt
6. bolt
7. jolt
8. smell*
9. sound*
10. feel*
11. look*
12. taste*

Week 8 (*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory;* -mp)

1. camp
2. damp
3. lamp
4. ramp
5. stamp
6. blimp
7. limp
8. stomp
9. bump
10. lump
11. stump
12. chocolate*
13. factory*
14. ticket*

Week 9 (*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory;* comparative/superlative - y to ie and doubling consonants)

1. prettier*
2. prettiest*
3. lazier*
4. laziest*
5. happier*
6. happiest*
7. sadder*
8. saddest*
9. bigger*
10. biggest*
11. wetter*
12. wettest*

Week 10 (*The Random House Book of Poetry for Children;* -nd)

1. band
2. hand
3. land
4. sand
5. stand
6. bend
7. lend
8. send
9. find
10. kind
11. mind
12. wind**
13. Pond

**It's worth pointing out this can be pronounced with a long or short i depending on the meaning.

Week 11 (*Ramona and Her Father;* -pt)

1. adapt
2. slept
3. swept
4. adopt
5. disrupt
6. erupt
7. myself*
8. yourself*
9. himself*
10. herself*
11. itself*
12. ourselves*
13. yourselves*
14. themselves*

Week 12 (*Ramona and Her Father;* -ng)

1. bang
2. hang
3. rang
4. sang
5. cling
6. sling
7. gong
8. long
9. song
10. lung
11. Halloween*
12. Thanksgiving*
13. Christmas

(note: several -ing words were covered in Level Spark, Week 8)

Week 13
(*Ramona and Her Father;* -nt)

1. chant
2. pant
3. want
4. bent
5. dent
6. tent
7. vent
8. lint
9. mint
10. pint
11. front
12. grunt
13. hunt
14. stunt

Week 14
(*Ramona and Her Father;* -rd)

1. card
2. hard
3. yard
4. herd
5. bird
6. third
7. cord
8. lord
9. word
10. review*
11. grammar*
12. sentence*
13. opinion*

Week 15
(*The Random House Book of Poetry for Children;* -rk)

1. bark
2. dark
3. lark
4. mark
5. park
6. shark
7. spark
8. jerk
9. perk
10. cork
11. fork
12. pork
13. stork
14. work

Week 16
(*The Night Fairy;* -rl)

1. snarl
2. pearl
3. girl
4. swirl
5. twirl
6. whirl
7. hurl
8. Monday*
9. Tuesday*
10. Wednesday*
11. Thursday*
12. Friday*
13. Saturday*
14. Sunday*

(This week students learn to spell the days of the week - this accompanies Day 2 grammar where the abbreviations for the days of the week are learned.)

Week 17
(*Charlotte's Web;* -rm)

1. arm
2. alarm
3. charm
4. farm*
5. harm
6. warm
7. term
8. firm
9. form
10. worm
11. I'm*
12. you're*
13. we're*
14. they're*

Week 18
(*Charlotte's Web;* -rn and contractions from last week continue)

1. barn*
2. yarn
3. fern* (Fern is the name of the girl in Charlotte's Web)
4. born
5. corn*
6. horn
7. torn
8. thorn
9. worn
10. burn
11. turn
12. he's*
13. she's*
14. it's*

Week 19
(*Charlotte's Web;* -sk and contractions from Week 17 continue)

1. ask
2. mask
3. task
4. desk
5. disk
6. risk
7. dusk
8. husk
9. tusk
10. I'll*
11. you'll*
12. she'll*
13. he'll*

Week 20
(*Charlotte's Web;* -sp and contractions from Week 17 continue)

1. clasp
2. gasp
3. grasp
4. wasp
5. crisp
6. lisp
7. wisp
8. we'll*
9. they'll*
10. I'd*
11. you'd*
12. he'd*
13. she'd*
14. we'd*
15. they'd*

Week 21
(*Charlotte's Web;* -sh week 1)

1. cash
2. clash
3. crash
4. dash
5. flash
6. mash
7. rash
8. sash
9. trash
10. wash
11. fresh
12. mesh

Week 22
(*The Random House Book of Poetry for Children;* -sh week 2)

1. dish
2. fish
3. wish
4. bush
5. blush
6. brush
7. crush
8. hush
9. push
10. rush
11. simile*
12. metaphor*

Week 23
(*The Wild Robot;* -st week 1)

1. cast
2. fast
3. last
4. past
5. vast
6. best
7. nest
8. pest
9. quest
10. rest
11. test
12. vest
13. west
14. zest

Week 24
(*The Wild Robot;* -st week 2)

1. fist
2. mist
3. cost
4. frost
5. host
6. lost
7. most
8. post
9. crust
10. dust
11. just
12. must
13. rust
14. trust

Week 25 (*The Wild Robot;* homophones**)

1. ant
2. aunt
3. ate
4. eight
5. for
6. four
7. one
8. won
9. poor
10. pour
11. whose
12. who's
13. sea
14. see

Week 26 (*The Birchbark House;* -th)

1. bath
2. math
3. path
4. faith
5. with
6. both
7. broth
8. moth
9. sloth
10. truth
11. tooth
12. mouth
13. native*
14. island*

Week 27 (*The Birchbark House;* homophones**)

1. break
2. brake
3. buy
4. by
5. bye
6. die
7. dye
8. hour
9. our
10. stare
11. stair
12. tail
13. tale

**This week's grammar is on homophones, so I have included some in the spelling list. It's important for students not only to learn how to spell them but to understand how the meanings differ.

Week 28 (*The Birchbark House;* homophones)

1. blew
2. blue
3. knew
4. new
5. know
6. no
7. meat
8. meet
9. peace
10. piece
11. right
12. write
13. son
14. sun

This week's list includes more homophones from last week's grammar.

Week 29 (*The Birchbark House;* compound words)

1. grandson
2. baseball
3. wallpaper
4. goldfish
5. bedroom
6. cupcake
7. hotdog
8. sunset
9. summer*
10. autumn*
11. winter*
12. spring*
13. crow*

Week 27's grammar included a lesson on compound words. This week's list includes compound words that "play fair" and some words related to the book.

Week 30 (*The Random House Book of Poetry for Children;* kn-)

1. knee
2. kneel
3. know
4. knew
5. known
6. knife
7. knight
8. knit
9. knob
10. knack
11. knead
12. knoll

Week 31 (*The Tale of Despereaux;* ph- and phon/phot/graph words (this related back to the grammar of Week 28)

1. phase
2. phone
3. phrase
4. sphere
5. graph
6. megaphone
7. microphone
8. telephone
9. photograph
10. photographer
11. paragraph
12. telegraph
13. biography

Week 32 (*The Tale of Despereaux;* gn- wr-)

1. gnarled
2. gnash
3. gnat
4. gnaw
5. gnome
6. wrap
7. wrath
8. wreath
9. wreck
10. wren
11. wrist
12. write
13. wring
14. wrote

Week 33 (*The Tale of Despereaux;* soft c)

1. ceiling
2. cell
3. cellar
4. cent
5. center
6. century
7. cereal
8. circle
9. citizen
10. city
11. cycle
12. cymbal

Week 34 (*The Tale of Despereaux;* soft g)

1. gel
2. gem
3. gene
4. general
5. gentle
6. genius
7. giant
8. giraffe
9. gym
10. magic
11. logic
12. legend
13. page
14. stage

Week 35 (*The Tale of Despereaux;* igh, eigh, and eight)

1. high
2. sigh
3. thigh
4. neigh
5. neighbor
6. sleigh
7. weigh
8. eighteen
9. eighty
10. freight
11. height
12. weight

Week 36 (*The Tale of Despereaux;* silent b)

1. climb
2. limb
3. bomb
4. comb
5. tomb
6. crumb
7. dumb
8. plumber
9. numb
10. thumb
11. debt
12. doubt
13. subtle

Week 1

Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan

act

fact

impact

subtract

elect

protect

respect

select

subject

predict

duct

plain

prairie

Week 2

Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan

craft

raft

left

theft

drift

gift

lift

shift

swift

soft

fiction

nonfiction

Week 3

Rickshaw Girl by Mitali Perkins

bald

bold

cold

fold

gold

held

hold

mild

mold

sold

wild

Bangladesh

curry

tenth

Week 4

Rickshaw Girl by Mitali Perkins

calf

half

elf

self

shelf

golf

wolf

gulf

paint

brush

decorate

village

Week 5

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

chalk

talk

walk

elk

milk

silk

yolk

sulk

common

proper

concrete

abstract

subject

predicate

Week 6

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

scalp

help

yelp

gulp

goose

geese

sheep

deer

moose

fish

pajamas

glasses

Week 7

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

hath

sath

beht

felt

meht

boht

joht

smell

sound

feel

duct

book

taste

Week 8

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

camp

damp

tamp

ramp

stamp

blimp

limp

stomp

subject

bump

lump

stump

chocolate

factory

ticket

Week 9

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

prettier

prettiest

lazier

laziest

happier

happiest

sadder

saddest

bigger

biggest

wetter

wettest

Week 10

The Random House Book of Poetry
by Jack Prelutsky & Arnold Lobel

band

hand

land

sand

stand

bend

lend

send

find

kind

mind

Wind

pond

Week 11

Ramona and Her Father by Beverly Cleary

adapt

slept

swept

adopt

disrupt

erupt

myself

yourself

himself

herself

itself

ourselves

yourselves

themselves

Week 12

Ramona and Her Father by Beverly Cleary

bang

hang

rang

sang

cling

sting

gong

long

song

lung

Halloween

Thanksgiving

Christmas

Week 13

Ramona and Her Father by Beverly Cleary

chant

plant

want

bent

dent

tent

vent

lint

mint

pint

front

grunt

hunt

stunt

Week 14

Ramona and Her Father by Beverly Cleary

card

hard

yard

herd

bird

third

cord

lord

word

review

grammar

sentence

opinion

Week 15

The Random House Book of Poetry by Jack Prelutsky & Arnold Lobel

bark

dark

lark

mark

park

shark

spark

jerk

perk

cork

fork

pork

stork

work

Week 16

The Big Wave by Pearl S. Buck

snarl

pearl

swirl

twirl

whirl

hurl

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Week 17

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

arm

alarm

charm

farm

harm

warm

term

firm

form

worm

I'm

you're

we're

they're

Week 18

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

barn

yarn

fern

born

corn

horn

torn

thorn

worn

burn

turn

he's

she's

it's

Week 19

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

ask

mask

task

desk

disk

risk

dusk

husk

tusk

I'll

you'll

she'll

he'll

Week 20

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

clasp

gasp

grasp

wasp

crisp

lisp

wisp

we'll

they'll

I'd

you'd

he'd

she'd

we'd

they'd

Week 21

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

cash

clash

crash

dash

flash

mash

rash

sash

trash

wash

fresh

mesh

Week 22

The Random House Book of Poetry by Jack Prelutsky & Arnold Lobel

dish

fish

wish

bush

blush

brush

crush

hush

push

rush

simile

metaphor

Week 23

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

cast

fast

last

past

vast

best

nest

pest

quest

rest

test

vest

west

zest

Week 24

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

fist

mist

cost

frost

host

lost

most

post

crust

dust

just

must

rust

trust

Week 25

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

ant

aunt

ate

eight

for

four

one

won

poor

pour

whose

who's

sea

see

Week 26

The Birchbark House by Louise Erdrich

bath

math

path

faith

with

both

broth

moth

sloth

truth

tooth

mouth

native

island

Week 27

The Birchbark House by Louise Erdrich

break

brake

buy

by

bye

die

dye

hour

our

stare

stair

tail

tale

Week 28

The Birchbark House by Louise Erdrich

blew

blue

knew

new

know

no

meat

meet

peace

piece

right

write

son

sun

Week 29

The Birchbark House by Louise Erdrich

grandson

baseball

wallpaper

goldfish

bedroom

cupcake

hotdog

sunset

summer

autumn

winter

spring

crow

Week 30

The Random House Book of Poetry by Jack Prelutsky & Arnold Lobel

knee

kneel

know

knew

known

knife

knight

knit

knob

knack

knead

knoll

Week 31

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

phase

phone

phrase

sphere

graph

megaphone

microphone

telephone

photograph

photographer

paragraph

telegraph

biography

Week 32

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

gnarled

gnash

gnat

gnaw

gnome

wrap

wrath

wreath

wreck

wren

wrist

write

wring

wrote

Week 33

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

ceiling

cell

cellar

cent

center

century

cereal

circle

citizen

city

cycle

cymbal

Week 34

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

gel

gem

gene

general

gentle

genius

giant

giraffe

gym

magic

logic

legend

page

stage

Week 35

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

high

sigh

thigh

neigh

neighbor

sleigh

weigh

eighteen

eighty

freight

height

weight

Week 36

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

climb

limb

bomb

comb

tomb

crumb

dumb

plumber

numb

thumb

debt

doubt

subtle