

Look/say	Cover ✓	write (the word)	Check ✓/x	One more attempt (correct or not)

This template is one method that you could use at home to learn your spellings each day/week. You could print the template or easily reproduce this in your spelling book. There are also different versions online that you could use as long as you find them helpful.

In the 'Look/say column', write the word by copying it out first and then spell the word out, saying the letter names as well. Then, cover the word and spell it without looking. Tick the box if correct. In the 'write' column, again without looking, write the word, trying your best to spell it correctly before checking your spelling. If you got it wrong, have another go in the final column (or just have another go even if you did get it correct).

Below are some other ways that you could practise your spellings:

Copy the words 3 or 4 times

Write the words within a sentence e.g. if 'thorough' was one of the spellings, you might write something like 'I was very **thorough** when I checked my room although I still couldn't find my favourite top.' This sentence also includes a contracted word (couldn't) and two Y3/4 spellings (although, favourite).

There is also the pyramid technique (children know this and there are probably examples in their spelling book).

Happy spelling!