

Sequential Spelling 4

for Home School

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	1st day	2nd day	3rd day	4th day
1.	freakish	freakishly	freaky	fiendish
2.	ticklish	outlandish	outlandishly	rubbish
3.	bluish	blemish	blemishes	Spanish
4.	purplish	radish	radishes	Danish
5.	blackish	publish	publisher	British
6.	whitish	** polish	polishes	polishing
7.	Swedish	Sweden	Irish	two Irishmen
8.	Turkish	Turkey	Jewish	sheepish
9.	English	Englishman	Englishmen	brackish
10.	** Polish	Poland	outlandish	outlandishly
11.	* parish	parishes	perishable	perishables
12.	* perish	perishes	perished	perishing
13.	childish	childishly	childishness	children
14.	selfish	selfishly	selfishness	Finland
15.	unselfish	unselfishly	unselfishness	Finns
16.	foolish	foolishly	foolishness	* Finnish
17.	stylish	stylishly	stylishness	fetish
18.	devilish	devilishly	deviltry	their house
19.	impish	impishly	squeamish	It's over there.
20.	feverish	! solder	solders	soldered
21.	snobbish	snobbishly	! tongue	tongues
22.	finish	finishes	finished	finishing
23.	relish	relishes	relished	relishing
24.	accomplish	accomplishes	accomplished	accomplishments
25.	famish	famished	famine	unfinished

* **Homophones:** parish/perish A county in Louisiana is called a parish as is a church's congregation. To perish is to die or be destroyed.

** **Heteronyms:** Polish ("POH lish")/polish ("PAH lish"). The Polish people really know how to polish their shoes.

! **Insane words:** solder ("SAH dur"). The letter l should really be a d, but it isn't. We must pronounce the word as if it were spelled "sodder." Knowing the word *solder* becomes a real help in spelling the more common word *soldier*. The word tongue "TUNG" should be spelled "tung," but it isn't.

See the complete -ish family on pp. 1060-3 in *The Patterns of English Spelling* (TPES).

	5th day	6th day	7th day	8th day
1.	nourish	nourishes	nourishing	nourishment
2.	skirmish	skirmishes	skirmished	skirmishing
3.	banish	banishes	banished	banishing
4.	vanish	vanishes	vanished	vanishing
5.	diminish	diminishes	diminished	diminishing
6.	astonish	astonishes	astonished	astonishment
7.	punish	punishes	punished	punishment
8.	flourish	flourishes	flourished	flourishing
9.	anguish	anguishes	anguished	anguishing
10.	languish	languishes	languished	languishing
11.	vanquish	vanquishes	vanquished	vanquishing
12.	lavish	lavishes	lavished	lavishly
13.	abolish	abolishes	abolished	abolition
14.	replenish	replenishes	replenished	plentiful
15.	admonish	admonishes	admonished	admonishing
16.	distinguish	distinguishes	distinguished	distinguishing
17.	extinguish	extinguishes	extinguished	extinguisher
18.	relinquish	relinquishes	relinquished	relinquishing
19.	establish	establishes	established	establishment
20.	reestablish	reestablishes	reestablished	reestablishing
21.	embellish	embellishes	embellished	embellishment
22.	cabin	cabins	cabinet	cabinetry
23.	* robin	robins	paraffin	elfin
24.	griffin	griffins	muffin	muffins
25.	* coffin	coffins	ragamuffin	ragamuffins

* **Homophones:**

robin/robbin'
coffin/coughin'

What do you call a red-breasted bird that steals? A robbin' robin.
What do you call a casket with a cold? A coughin' coffin.

See the complete -in family in *The Patterns of English Spelling* (TPES); the -ish, pp. 1060-3.

Grading

If your particular curriculum requires that a grade be given for spelling, we would recommend that tests for grading purposes be given at a separate time and that the children be graded on their learning of the spelling of the sounds — not the words as the suggested tests for grading purposes are constructed to do. AVKO gives permission for parents to duplicate the tests for their home school only. Read the sentences to your children. All they have to do is fill in the blanks. Notice that you are not testing on the whole word. You are testing only on the spelling patterns taught. That is why the initial consonants or blends are given to the child. Note: You can use this as a pre-test as well as a post-test to show real gains. How you grade these tests is up to you. You could use the 0-1 wrong = A, 2-4 = B, 5-7 = C, 8-10 = D. We don't expect that you'll have any E's.

Evaluation Test #1 (After 40 Days)

	Pattern being tested	Lesson word is in
1. We have some un <u>finished</u> business to attend to.	ished	4
2. Every house should have a fire exting <u>uisher</u> .	isher	8
3. Do you like bran muff <u>ins</u> ?	ins	8
4. You should try walking in another's moccas <u>ins</u> .	ins	12
5. Would you like an <u>entry</u> level job?	try	14
6. The English brought star <u>lings</u> to America.	lings	14
7. Speakers love appl <u>ause</u> .	ause	20
8. No one likes to be defra <u>uded</u> .	uded	19
9. I wish you wouldn't be so part <u>icular</u> .	icular	19
10. Famili <u>arity</u> breeds contempt.	arity	18
11. Please give at least one spec <u>ific</u> example.	ific	21
12. My older sister is an electric <u>ian</u> .	cian	24
13. My older brother is a music <u>ian</u> .	cian	24
14. We told him not to panic, but he still panick <u>ed</u> .	ked	27
15. Afterwards, he was very apolo <u>getic</u> .	etic	27
16. Have you notic <u>ed</u> how quickly you're learning?	iced	31
17. AVKO spec <u>ial</u> izes in helping people learn.	cial	34
18. It is cruc <u>ial</u> that you learn certain spelling concepts.	cial	33
19. It will prove benefic <u>ial</u> if you can master them.	cial	33
20. Careful watching of commerc <u>ials</u> can help your reading.	cial	34

* These words were never given, but other forms of these words were used.

Name _____

Date _____

TEST #1

Please, please, please do NOT start until your teacher gives you the directions.

You must stay with your teacher as she reads the sentences.

All you have to do is to fill in the blanks with the missing letters.

1. We have some unfin_____ business to attend to.
2. Every house should have a fire extingui_____.
3. Do you like bran muff_____?
4. You should try walking in another's moccas_____.
5. Would you like an en_____ level job?
6. The English brought star_____ to America.
7. Speakers love appl_____.
8. No one likes to be defr_____.
9. I wish you wouldn't be so part_____.
10. Famili_____ breeds contempt.
11. Please give at least one spec_____ example.
12. My older sister is an electri_____.
13. My older brother is a musi_____.
14. We told him not to panic, but he still panic_____.
15. Afterwards, he was very apolog_____.
16. Have you not_____ how quickly you're learning?
17. AVKO spe_____izes in helping people learn.
18. It is cru_____ that you learn certain spelling concepts.
19. It will prove benefi_____ if you can master them.
20. Careful watching of commer_____ can help your reading.