

Spelling Strategies

What can help you spell a word?

Think about the beginning sound of the word that you want to spell. Then think of another word that begins with the same sound.

blue, block, black

Look for word families. Words in a word family rhyme.

sun, fun, run

Think about the shape of each letter in the word.

p a r k

If you are not sure how to spell a word, take a guess. Then look up the word in a dictionary.

de • li • cious

Circle or underline words in your writing that are new or difficult. Check those words in a dictionary.

Break the word into syllables and think about how each syllable might be spelled.

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Think about any spelling rules you know that can help you spell the word.