## Key Stage 2 SATs past spelling test words

| words with 'silent' letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word) | adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable | the $/ \mathrm{i}$ / sound spelt y other than at the end of words | endings that sound like $/ \mathrm{J} \partial \mathrm{n} /$, spelt -tion, -sion, -ssion, -cian | homophones and near homophones (Years 3 and 4) homophones and other words that are often confused (Years 5 and 6) |
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| sign <br> knock <br> straight <br> crumb <br> bruise <br> thumb <br> descendant | polishing nationality inspiring disobeyed obtained adventurous | gymnastics <br> sympathetic typical | mission possession passion variation operation percussion attention | loose drawer prey coarse council |
|  |  | words with the /s/sound spelt sc |  |  |
|  |  | scent descendant |  |  |
| prefixes | words ending in -able and -ible words ending in -ably and -ibly | the suffix -ly | words with the /eı/sound spelt ei, eigh, or ey | adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer |
| discover dissolve disorder misplaced | edible <br> unavoidably <br> washable <br> probable <br> sensibly <br> portable | ferociously likely originally usually | sleigh lightweight weightless | offering suffered |
| the / $/$ / sound spelt ou |  | endings that sound like / 3 an/ | endings which sound like / J /// | words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c |
| country cousin thorough trouble |  | illusion vision | facial essential | ceiling inconceivable |
| words with endings sounding like /za/or /t5a/ | words with the /// sound spelt ch | the suffix -ous | words ending in -ant, -ance, -ancy, -ent, -ence, -ency | words containing the letter string ough |
| posture mixture | parachute <br> monarch <br> architect | delicious <br> ominous <br> previous <br> nervous <br> adventurous | abundance <br> distance brilliant substance violence science | thoughtless <br> toughest <br> dough |
| words ending with the $/ \mathrm{g} /$ sound spelt -gue and the $/ k /$ sound spelt -que | endings which sound like //as/ spelt -cious or -tious |  |  |  |
| vague | cautious |  |  |  |

These areas have not been tested yet: words with the $/ k /$ sound spelt ch; common exception words and the suffix -ation

