My Writer’s Manual

Name…………………

Spellings I should know…

Year 1



Year 2



Year 3 and 4



These spellings are only the common exception words. You must also apply the spelling rules in your journal to other spellings.

Don’t forget to practise over the words you are unsure of using **look, cover, write.**

Punctuation

I should be able to use the following punctuation correctly in my writing.



 



 







 

Sentence openers

I must remember to vary my sentence openers. Can you think of some good sentence openers? You might want to magpie some from the books you are reading.

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| Verb opener |

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| Prepositional opener |

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| Subordinate clause opener |

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| Adverbial openerTime – whenReason - whyManner - howPlace – where |

I must try to extend some of my sentences with additional ideas and use a conjunction for these.

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| Co-ordinating conjunctions**for** - used to give a reason for something**and** – to join two different ideas together**nor** – neither option**but** – to give an exception**or** – to give another option**yet** – to give an exception**so** – to give a reason |

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| Subordinating conjunctions**because** – gives a reason**as** – happens at the same time**when** – gives the time or something else happens**if** – depends on something happening**where** – gives the place**whilst** – happens at the same time**since** – from that time onwards or gives a reason**although** – happened anyway**even though** – happened anyway**despite** – happened anyway**unless** – a reason for something not to happen |

Vocabulary

You should always try to expand your vocabulary and use new words in your writing using the books you are reading to influence you choices. Use this section to magpie words from the books you read for you to use at a later date.

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| Words to create an exciting atmosphere |

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| Words to create a calm atmosphere |

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| Words to create a scary atmosphere |

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| Words to create a busy atmosphere |

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| Words to create a strange or unnerving atmosphere |

Try to find better words from the books you read as alternatives to the ones below:

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| get |  |
| take |  |
| said |  |
| nice |  |
| good |  |
| bad |  |

New words I like

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| Word | Definition |
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