



Year 3 autumn words

Below you will find a list of words that are examples of what will be taught over the course of autumn term in Year 3.

Adding suffixes to root words – revision of Year 2 work (-s, -es, -er, -ed, -ing,)

root word	s	es	er	ed	ing
walk	walks			walked	walking
run	runs		runner		running
skip	skips			skipped	skipping
chat	chats		chatter	chatted	chatting
sing	sings		singer		singing
search		searches	searcher	searched	searching
hope	hopes			hoped	hoping
wave	waves			waved	waving
reach		reaches		reached	reaching
smile	smiles			smiled	smiling
like	likes			liked	liking
bake	bakes		baker	baked	baking
plan	plans		planner	planned	planning
float	floats			floated	floating
clap	claps			clapped	clapping

Revision of adding the prefixes (un-, dis-)

un	dis
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unhappy	dislike
unlucky	displease
unseen	disagree
unusual	disown
undo	disappear
untie	disobey
unzip	dishonest
undress	distrust
unwell	disallow
unfold	disorder

Apostrophes for contractions

Words	Contracted form
does not	doesn't
can not	can't
will not	won't
do not	don't
is not	isn't
I have	I've
I had	I'd
I would	I'd
I am	I'm
I will	I'll
she is/has	she's
it is/has	it's



he is/has	he's
there is/has	there's

Words spelt using the 'ei' sound (spelt with a-e, ai, eigh, a, ay, aigh, ey)

a-e	ai	eigh/ei	a	ay	aigh	ey
ate	aid	vein	acorn	play	straight	grey
grade	aim	reins	baby	way		prey
made	paid	veil	data	say		they
trade	fail	reign	alien	day		obey
bake	mail	neigh	apron	Monday		convey
brake	sale	weigh	agent	Tuesday		survey
shake	tail	sleigh	basic	Wednesday		
stake	snail	eight	basin	Thursday		
male	claim	freight		Friday		
sale	main	weight		Saturday		
vale	pain			Sunday		
game	chain			crayfish		
flame	plain			playground		
frame	stain					
mane	strain					
plane	vain					
tape	wait					
grape	gait					



scrape	paint					
chase	faint					
gate	waist					
grate	again					
plate	afraid					
skate	entail					
paste	explain					
taste	complain					
waste	detail					
brave	obtain					

Homophones spelt with 'ei' sound

ate	eight
maid	made
brake	break
shake	sheik
stake	steak
male	mail
sale	sail
vale	veil
mane	main
plane	plain
gate	gait
grate	great
waste	waist
pain	pane
plain	plane
vain	vein/vane
wait	weight
rein	rain/reign



Revision of adding the suffixes (-er, est)

root word	-er	-est
nice	nicer	nicest
late	later	latest
ripe	riper	ripest
rude	ruder	rudest
brave	braver	bravest
hike	hiker	
ride	rider	
write	writer	

Revision of adding the suffixes (-ful, -less, -ly)

root word	-ful	-less	-ly
bad			badly
play	playful		
hope	hopeful	hopeless	
care	careful	careless	
happy			happily
sad			sadly
colour	colourful	colourless	
harm	harmful	harmless	



Revision of adding the suffixes (-er, est, -ed, -ing)

root word	-er	-est	-ed	-ing
copy	copier		copied	coping
worry	worrier		worried	worrying
happy	happier	happiest		
cry			cried	crying
reply			replied	replying
funny	funnier	funniest		

Revision of adding the suffixes (-ness, -ment)

root word	-ness	-ment
fair	fairness	
sad	sadness	
kind	kindness	
tidy	tidiness	
lovely	loveliness	
silly	silliness	
nasty	nastiness	
happy	happiness	
willing	willingness	
fit	fitness	
foolish	foolishness	



enjoy		enjoyment
employ		employment
docu		document
oint		ointment
state		statement
move		movement

Adding the prefixes (mis-, re-)

root word	mis-	re-
appear		reappear
build	misbuild	rebuild
do		redo
play	misplay	replay
turn		return
try		retry
take	mistake	retake
behave	misbehave	
apply		reapply
remember	misremember	
dealt	misdealt	
hear	mishear	
calculate	miscalculate	recalculate
read	misread	reread

Words with the 'i' sound spelt with 'y'



gym
myth
pyramid
mystery
cygnet
Egypt

Words ending in the 'g' sound spelt gue and the 'k' sound spelt que

league
tongue
antique
unique
mosque
cheque
fatigue
intrigue
vague
rogu