Getting started with Read Write Inc. Spelling

Getting to the Spelling resource

Read Write Inc. Spelling is part of the award-winning *Oxford Owl* website. To navigate to *Read Write Inc. Spelling Online* from the Oxford Owl homepage:

- Select 'For School' on the left of the opening page screen
- Select the top pink tab on the right which says 'Go to Oxford Owl'
- Scroll down to the light green tiles. On the far right is a tab which says 'Read Write Inc. Spelling'. Click on this.
- You will then reach the *Read Write Inc. Spelling* landing page.

First steps for using the resource

Full guidance on using the online resource for *Read Write Inc. Spelling* is available in the Handbook. For effective teaching of spelling, the online resource must be used alongside the print components of the programme. The print components are:

- Read Write Inc. Spelling Handbook
- Six Practice Books (one for each year of the programme; two for Year 2. Each child should have a Practice Book).
- Three Log Books (one for Year 2, one for Years 3&4 combined, and one for Years 5&6 combined. Each child should have a Log Book).

On p.15 of the Handbook there is information about how a unit of *Read Write Inc. Spelling* works, including blueprint lesson plans for each activity. These lesson plans include references for where you will need to refer to online files. The Handbook also provides example timetables and suggested routes through the programme.

Instructions for finding the resources for a particular unit

If you would like to find all of the resources for a particular unit, for example, Year 2 Unit 1:

- Leave the search box blank
- Select 'Year 2' from the 'Choose Year group' dropdown menu
- Choose 'Unit 1' from the 'Choose unit' dropdown menu
- Click 'Search'.

This brings up all of the resources for Year 2 Unit 1, in the order that you need them.

Note that to perform a new search, you must click 'Clear filters' (written under the 'Choose year group' dropdown). When you clear the filters, all of the available resources for the programme will appear in a list.

Instructions for finding resources that are not directly related to a unit

Some resources will not come up when you search by year and unit, because they are not associated with a particular unit. These include:

- The Speed Sounds chart
- Special focus pages (year 1 consolidation)
- Pre-programme activities
- Consolidation sessions
- Practice Tests
- Challenge dictation sentences

- Word banks
- Curriculum matching charts

It is easiest to locate these files through the search function. Clear the filters, then type in a key word or phrase such as 'Special focus', and these files will come up in a list. If you only want a type of file for a particular year:

- Clear filters
- Select the year you would like from the 'Choose Year group' dropdown
- Enter the key word or phrase in the 'Search' box.

You can also search for a particular spelling focus using the search function, such as 'homophones' or 'suffixes'. Ensure you have cleared the filters, then type in the key word or phrase you are looking for.