

What strategies do we know to help us to spell words that we find tricky?



# Do you do any of these things?

sounding out

thinking about the shape and  
length of the word

chunking

using a word mat or  
word wall

perhaps you have a trick  
that helps you

using a mnemonic

using a dictionary

practicing writing the word  
lots of times

Do you have any special tricks?

fri end



Wed nes day



w hat



# What is a mnemonic?



Do you remember the mnemonic that went with this picture?

Write the word on your whiteboard.

Let's have a look at a few more .....

# beautiful

Mrs B, Mrs E, Mrs Aut, Mrs I,  
Mrs Ful



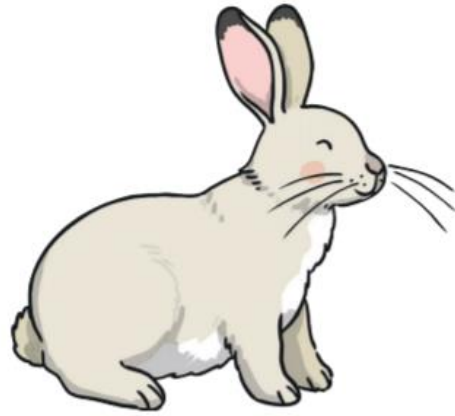
# whole

why have owls large eyes?



# hour

hop off you rabbit



# money

many over ninety eat yoghurt





# eye

eat **y**our **e**ggs



# people

perhaps every odd person likes eels



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# Common Exception Words

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you struggle to  
remember

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the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

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door	gold	plant	clothes
floor	hold	path	busy
poor	told	bath	people
because	every	hour	water
find	great	move	again
kind	break	prove	half
mind	steak	improve	money
behind	pretty	sure	Mr
child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
children	after	eye	parents
wild	fast	could	Christmas
climb	last	should	everybody
most	past	would	even
only	father	who	
both	class	whole	
old	grass	any	
cold	pass	many	