

Spelling Hints & Strategies

- A. **Scan**: Scan and read the list of spellings
- B. **Questions**: Ask yourself questions about the spelling list e.g. Which is the longest/shortest / any double / alphabetically first / begins with a, b, c, d?
- C. <u>Patterns</u>: Look for patterns {Double Letters / particular endings / prefixes}
- D. **Shape**: Look at the shape of each word
- E. **Copy**: Copy the spelling with your finger / Copy and write the spelling
- F. **<u>De-clunk the Word</u>**: Break the work up in syllables (sound parts)
- G. **Finger Writing**: Use your finger to trace and write the spelling.
- H. **Pre Test Yourself:** Before learning your spellings, test to see which ones you might know.
- I. <u>Highlight the Tricky Part</u>: Underline or highlight the tricky part with a marker or pencil.
- J. <u>Timing</u>: Look at your spellings as often as possible