Welcome to this book

Learning to spell words is important. Good spelling helps other people to read your writing. Being able to spell words also helps you as a writer. If you can spell words easily you have more time to think about what you are writing.

This book helps you learn to spell. It helps you make good spelling choices. It shows you useful spelling patterns and rules. It also helps you learn to spell some 'tricky' words that don't follow the normal patterns.

Finding your way around

There are six sections in this book. Each section has five pages and then a 'tricky words' page.

Each of the main pages is made up of three parts.

Remember

This tells you the spelling pattern that you will practise.
Read it and look at the examples.

Try it

Here you use the pattern to help you spell words. Write the words in the spaces.

Read-cover-write

Here you practise spelling words in a sentence — just as you do in real writing.

The correct answers to the questions are at the back of this book. Each page you work through tells you the number of the page where you can find the answers. This number is in the coloured box at the bottom of the page.

How to begin

Write your name on the cover. Then work carefully through the first page of activities. When you have finished, turn to the answers page. **Use it to check that your spellings are correct**. Practise each word that you got wrong. Write the word correctly. Then look at where you went wrong. Write the word again correctly. When you think you can spell all the words, get a friend to test you. Again, practise any words you get wrong. You will find a box like this at the bottom of the page.

Tick this box when you are sure that you know the pattern and can spell all the words.

Now make sure that you spell all the words correctly when you are writing.