

## SPELLING

### Are There Any Tricks to Becoming a Successful Speller?

- ❑ One technique for successful spelling is to **say**, or pronounce, the word correctly.
- ❑ Another technique for successful spelling is to **write the word**.
- ❑ It is helpful to **refer to a dictionary** for the correct spellings of questionable words.
- ❑ A technique for successful spelling is to **divide the word into parts**, or syllables, and spell it syllable by syllable.
- ❑ Another technique for successful spelling is to **write the spellings** of difficult or often-used words in a notebook.

#### Examples:



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1. When a suffix is added to a word ending in a silent **e**, the **e** should be **dropped**.
2. When a suffix is added to a word ending in a silent **e**, the **e** should be **kept** before adding the suffix.
3. Before adding a suffix to a word ending in **y** preceded by a **consonant**, **change** the **y** to **i**.
4. Before adding a suffix to a word ending in **y** preceded by a **vowel**, **do not change** the **y**.

## Try This!

1] My favorite dessert is strawberry shortcake.  
Each word in this sentence is spelled **correctly**.

- a] true
- b] false

2] This word is spelled **correctly**: amazing.

- a] true
- b] false

3] The tour guide at the Capital Building in Washinton, D.C. was horse by the end of our tour.

How many words are misspelled in this sentence?

- a] one
- b] two
- c] three
- d] four



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