

# Second Grade's Word Study Menu

## High Frequency Words

These are words that do not follow a spelling pattern but are frequently used in our reading and writing.

Your child is expected to spell these words correctly by the end of second grade. Your child may already know many of these words. We appreciate your supporting their learning at home with the words they are still mastering.

Throughout the year, practice high frequency words as you wish.

about	after	all	am	an
and	are	as	at	back
be	because	been	big	but
by	came	can	come	could
day	did	do	down	first
for	from	get	go	going
got	had	has	have	he
her	here	him	his	if
in	into	is	it	just
like	little	look	made	make
me	more	my	no	not
now	of	off	on	one
only	or	our	out	over
said	saw	see	she	so
some	that	the	their	them
then	there	they	this	those
to	two	up	very	was
we	well	went	were	what
when	where	which	who	why
will	with	would	you	your

## Vocabulary

Write synonyms and/or antonyms for each word. Use a thesaurus or dictionary for help

Sort your words by their parts of speech. For example: noun, verb, adjective, adverb.

Write the definition for each word.

Write a sentence for each word.

Extend your words. What is the root word? Can you add prefixes or suffixes? Can you create compound words?

Study the origin of the word.



## Word Patterns & Phonics

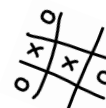
Chalk or Shaving Cream- write words with chalk on driveway or chalkboard. Picture the word and say each letter softly as you spell. Do the same with shaving cream in the shower.

Rainbow words- Write the word with three colors. Picture the word and say each letter softly as you write.

Study with a buddy- Work with a partner to give a spelling quiz.

TIC TAC TOE- Play a few games of tic tac toe. Ask each other to spell the words from your list. If your word is spelled correctly, add an X or O.

Move it- Jump rope, do jumping jacks, bounce a ball as you spell your words aloud.



Flashlight writing- In a darkened room, use a flashlight to draw letters in the air and spell each word.

Red vowels- Write your words using red for vowel pattern.

Word Hunt- can you find more words that fit the patterns? Share interesting, unusual words at school.

Word sort- Write your words on post-its. Decide on a rule for sorting your words. Sort and ask someone to "guess your rule". Have someone else think of a new rule. Can you guess their rule?

Syllables- Practice writing your words using syllables. Remember, each syllable has at least one vowel.

\*This information is also available on teacher webpage.

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