

**Sequential Spelling 2**  
**Scope & Sequence of Word Patterns**

Word Pattern or Word Family	<a href="#">Page in TPES for this word family</a>	Number of different words	Easiest Word	% 3rd Graders Who Can Spell it	Builds to words such as the following:	% of 3rd Graders who could spell it in 1953
as/ass	<b>156</b>	52	class	37%	classes	21
es/ess	<b>157</b>	104	yes	73	possession	1
iss	<b>158</b>	22	miss	47	dismiss	5
us/uss	<b>160</b>	28	us	75	discuss	1
est	<b>234</b>	56	best	59	suggest	3
eve/even	<b>324</b>	44	out	31	evening	23
eeve	<b>441</b>	3	sleeve	17	sleeves	10
en	<b>873-879</b>	6	heaven	6	unleavened	not available
ever	<b>1025</b>	15	every	42	everybody	16
ief	<b>406</b>	36	chief	9	brief	2
ieve/eave	<b>441</b>	20	believe	7	leaving	11
ceive	<b>441</b>	20	receive	<06	preconceived	not available
azz	<b>136</b>	9	razz	not given	razzmatazz	not available
iz/izz	<b>138</b>	12	quiz	not given	whizzing	not available
uzz/uzzle	<b>140</b>	20	buzz	not given	puzzle	8
ifle	<b>612</b>	12	rifle	6	trifle	3
iff	<b>143</b>	32	stiff	7	sheriff	2
uff	<b>145</b>	32	stuff	15	suffering	2
air	<b>530</b>	40	air	59	repairs	10
ear*	<b>530</b>	28	wear	16	swear	9
are	<b>523</b>	80	care	41	preparing	6
<b>wor-</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>work</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>worth</b>	<b>8</b>
arge	<b>507</b>	28	large	21	largely	5
oup	<b>425</b>	28	soup	19	groups	8
ip	<b>128</b>	100	ship	49	slipped	2
op	<b>129</b>	84	hop	55	shopping	8
ash	<b>209</b>	36	cash	23	flash	18
ish	<b>210</b>	24	fish	61	dishes	13
ush	<b>211</b>	20	rush	19	brushes	7
ush	<b>211</b>	20	push	37	pushed	21
oor	<b>532</b>	40	door	64	floors	19
or	<b>516</b>	20	for	78	nor	29
our	<b>532</b>	16	four	42	fourth	17

our	<b>532</b>	24	hour	25		
ower	<b>671</b>	20	power	19	powerful	9
orn	<b>517</b>	24	horn	33	morning	50
ort	<b>519</b>	72	short	28	support	7
oun	<b>421</b>	8	noun	not given	pronoun	not available
ount	<b>252</b>	20	count	29	discount	16
ounce	<b>257</b>	40	ounce	6	announce	3
own	<b>421</b>	40	down	63	drowned	3
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ich	<b>203</b>	12	rich	25	sandwich	14
ile	<b>330</b>	72	mile	46	smile	16
ole	<b>331</b>	40	hole	47	whole	17
ind	<b>229</b>	48	mind	39	remind	20
oo	<b>312</b>	28	zoo	64	too	45
oe	<b>313</b>	12	shoe	33	canoe	2
oon	<b>422</b>	48	moon	58	teaspoon	15
oot	<b>429</b>	32	boot	30	boots	20
oot	<b>429</b>	28	foot	53	football	44
mber	<b>639</b>	36	member	12	remember	10
mble	<b>606</b>	28	tumble	4	humble	10
und	<b>230</b>	8	fund	20	funds	3
under	<b>642</b>	24	under	35	thunder	14
ndle	<b>607</b>	40	candle	14	bundle	4
unt	<b>249</b>	28	hunt	40	hunted	18
ont	<b>249</b>	8	front	32	confronted	not available
-sk	<b>271</b>	64	ask	60	basket	25
anch	<b>206</b>	28	ranch	24	branches	08
ench	<b>206</b>	28	bench	16	quenched	not available
inch	<b>206</b>	36	inch	35	inches	09
unch	<b>207</b>	36	lunch	34	luncheon	<03
ough	<b>313</b>	>24	cough	04	thorough	01
urch	<b>520</b>	12	church	18	churches	05
atch	<b>201</b>	40	catch	32	catches	04
ach	<b>201</b>	12	attach	02	attaching	01
etch	<b>202</b>	32	fetch	04	stretch	03
itch	<b>203</b>	36	pitch	10	pitcher	06
aid	<b>401</b>	28	aid	16	afraid	20

oad 2	<b>403</b>	16	broad	03	abroad	10
ey	<b>306</b>	44	key	37	journey	09
ey 2	<b>302</b>	32	they	57	obey	08
each	<b>437</b>	44	each	44	preacher	04
eech	<b>437</b>	16	speech	08	speeches	02
ble	<b>610</b>	92	able	21	Bible	16
ar	<b>501</b>	36	car	92	star	44
war	<b>502</b>	76	war	26	quarters	16
otch <sup>[1]</sup>	<b>204</b>	16	notch	n/a	blotches	not available
utch	<b>205</b>	16	clutch	n/a	crutches	not available
wa-tch	<b>504</b>	16	watch	12	watched	05
wa-t	<b>504</b>	16	water <sup>[2]</sup>	44	watered	22
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oad 1	<b>403</b>	20	road	41	loaded	09
eap	<b>424</b>	16	leap	21	cheaper	04
eece	<b>432</b>	08	Greece	n/a	fleeing	not available
eed	<b>402</b>	48	need	46	bleeding	10
eet	<b>427</b>	28	meet	22	greetings	09
igh	<b>308</b>	12	high	32	highest	11
ight	<b>428</b>	52	night	55	lightly	09
ought	<b>430</b>	24	ought	07	thoughtful	03
aught	<b>430</b>	24	taught	02	daughter	02
end	<b>228</b>	88	end	54	spending	22
any	<b>717</b>	08	any	50	anybody	16
iny	<b>717</b>	08	tiny	27	whiny	not available
ony	<b>717</b>	28	pony	51	testimony	not available
ony 2	<b>718</b>	12	colony	07	monotony	not available
oof	<b>407</b>	28	roof	27	proof	11
ook	<b>409</b>	44	cook	58	cookies	22
oar	<b>532</b>	20	roar	12	soaring	not available
orry	<b>706</b>	08	worry	13	worried	03
orry 2	<b>706</b>	08	sorry	36	lorries	not available
urry	<b>706</b>	12	hurry	27	hurried	03

arry	<b>706</b>	08	carry	34	married	06
erry	<b>706</b>	08	merry	14	berries	10
ur	<b>520</b>	44	fur	35	occurred	02
erb	<b>511</b>	12	verb	n/a	herbal	not available
ard 2	<b>506</b>	44	forward	14	standard	04
ird	<b>514</b>	20	bird	66	third	26
eard	<b>533</b>	4	beard	21	heard	15
urd/urdle	<b>520</b>	16	curds	n/a	absurd	not available
irl	<b>514</b>	28	girl	64	whirl	04
irm	<b>515</b>	16	firm	09	confirm	06
orm	<b>517</b>	40	form	36	perform	08
arn	<b>508</b>	24	barn	51	harness	05
earn	<b>533</b>	16	earn	16	learning	06
urn	<b>521</b>	36	turn	23	returned	09
arp	<b>508</b>	28	sharp	20	sharpen	09
rp	<b>608</b>	12	purple	10	chirping	not available
irst	<b>515</b>	20	first	32	thirsty	not available
arsh	<b>509</b>	16	harsh	n/a	marshal	not available
oss	<b>159</b>	36	boss	24	glossy	not available
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oss	<b>159</b>	12	gross	06	engrossed	not available
cer	<b>658</b>	04	grocer	n/a	groceries	02
est	<b>234</b>	08	forest	23	interest	09
oast	<b>438</b>	24	coast	06	boast	01
ity	<b>728-735</b>	08	city	56	cities	05
eauty	<b>729</b>	04	beauty	05	beautiful	02
ue	<b>314</b>	98	blue	51	continued	07
ew	<b>316</b>	12	few	30	threw	06
uit	<b>429</b>	12	suit	27	fruits	06
-en suffix	<b>873-877</b>	108	open	58	happened	04
-et suffix	<b>685-690</b>	200	ticket	13	bracelet	02

Phonics: The sound “teez” has only one possible spelling when it is at the end of a word, -ties. The sound “treez” has only one possible spelling when it is at the end of a word and that is -tries. The sound “reed” when it is at the end of a word has only one spelling and that is -ried. The sound “deed” when it is at the end of a word has only one spelling and that is died as in studied

Assuming those in the 90th percentile and up are gifted, then it is logical to assume that all those who correctly spelled words such as city, duty, beauty, should be able to change the y into an i and add -es or -ed as the case may be. Yet, in almost all the words given in *The New Iowa Spelling Scale*, less than half of all the “gifted” could do this.

<sup>[1]</sup> There wasn't a single -otch word or -utch word, not even Scotch or crutches listed in *The New Iowa Spelling Scale*. Chances are there won't be a single -otch or -utch word in any standard spelling program.

<sup>[2]</sup> The word water was selected because only the water words are listed in *The New Iowa Spelling Scale*. Words such as swat and squat and their various structural forms were omitted.