

Ways a Parent Can Help with **SPELLING**

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Have your child write spelling words:

- On paper with pencils, pens, markers or paint
- With chalk on a sidewalk or patio
- With dry erase markers on a mirror
- Type on the computer
- With his/her fingers in a plate of pudding
- With fingers in shaving cream on a counter
- With fingers on someone else's back. Can they guess the word?

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Have your child spell the words out loud while you are in the car or in line at a store

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Spell words using blocks, Scrabble tiles, or flash cards

(Make your own with index cards - one card for each letter. Consider using different colored cards for vowels)

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If the list of words to learn is long, have your child choose 4-5 to focus on at a time

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Have your child write the words in alphabetical order or in order from shortest to longest

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Play "Hangman" with your child using the spelling words

Make crossword puzzles and word searches with the spelling words for your child to solve

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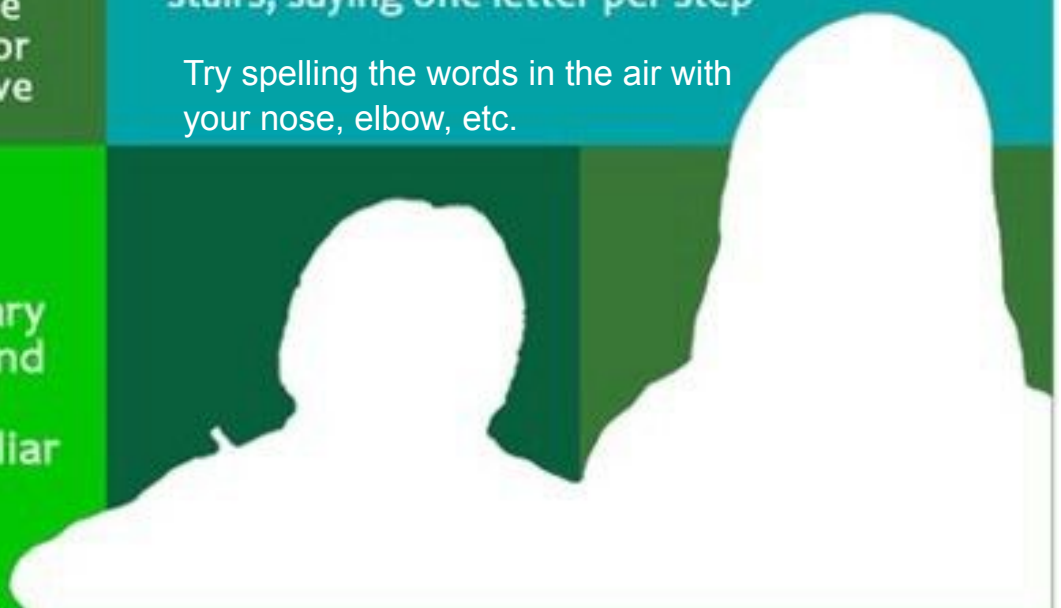
Combine spelling with physical activity

Have your child do jumping jacks, saying one letter per jump, or while walking up and down stairs, saying one letter per step

Try spelling the words in the air with your nose, elbow, etc.

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Keep a dictionary in your home and help your child look up unfamiliar words



Encourage your child to read!
Good readers are often good spellers.