ENGLISH STARS 5

Spelling Spots explicitly teach homophones, spelling patterns, prefixes, suffixes and Greek and Latin roots to support students in achieving descriptors outlined in the Phonics and Word Knowledge sub-strand of the Australian Curriculum.

There are 51 Spelling Spots distributed throughout Year 5. Use the following table to find out what concepts are taught and where.

Spelling Concept		Module
Homophones	Homophones: guessed, guest	1.2 Uncommon Plurals
	Homophones: pause, paws	2.2 Justify a Point of View
	Homophones: sauce, source	3.2 Commas
	Homophones: heel, heal, he'll	4.2 Objective and Subjective Language
	Homophones: weather, whether	5.2 Plot Summary
	Homophones: tide, tied	6.2 Narrative Voice
	Homophones: aloud, allowed	7.2 Explore Contexts in Literature
	Homophones: steal, steel	8.2 Genre and Fantasy
	Homophones: court, caught	9.2 Idioms
Patterns	Pattern: ch for /k/	2.3 Persuasive Language 1
	Pattern: mb for /m/ and wr for /r/	3.3 Clauses
	Pattern: oo , ew and u_e for /oo/	4.3 News Article Structure
	Pattern: ough for /or/, /oa/ and /u/ /f/	6.3 Compare Narrative Voice
	Pattern: le and el for /ə/ /l/*	7.3 Interaction Skills
	Pattern: on and in for /ə/ /n/*	7.4 Introduction to Biographies
Prefixes	Prefixes: il-, ir-	1.3 Precise Vocabulary
	Prefix: per-	1.5 Homonyms
	Prefix: ex-	1.8 Explanation Text Structure
	Prefix: de-	1.9 Roots and Affixes
	Prefixes: in-, im-	2.4 Persuasive Language 2
	Prefix: trans-	2.6 Persuasive Essay Structure
	Prefix: con-	2.9 Bare Assertions
	Prefix: inter-	3.5 Complex Sentences
	Prefix: multi-	4.6 Noun Phrases
	Prefixes: dec-, deca-, cent-, centi-	5.4 Facts and Opinions in Film Reviews
Suffixes	Suffixes: -er and -est (change y)	1.11 The Apostrophe
	Suffix: -ist	2.11 Finding Facts
	Suffixes: -ee , -eer	2.12 Non-Verbal Cues
	Suffix: -hood	3.6 Text Types
	Suffix: -ic	4.7 Adjective Phrases
	Suffix: -ent	5.5 Film Review Structure
	Suffix: -ion	7.7 Interview Questions
	Suffix: -al	7.8 Conduct an Interview
	Suffix: -ous (change y)	7.9 Write a Biography
	Suffix: -able (drop e)	8.5 Sequels, Prequels, and Spin-offs
	Suffix: -ible	8.8 Fantasy Characters
	Suffix: -ive (drop e)	9.3 Poetry Types
	Suffix: -age	9.5 Metaphors and Similes

Greek and Latin Roots	Latin root: form	1.12 Punctuation
	Latin root: port	2.13 Audience, Purpose and Context
	Latin root: rupt	2.14 Design a Slideshow
	Latin root: ject	3.9 Informative Sentences
	Latin root: vis	3.10 Skimming and Scanning
	Latin root: aud	4.8 News Video Techniques
	Latin root: ped	5.8 Design Principles
	Greek roots: cycl , cyclo	7.10 Revise Slideshow Design
	Latin root: struct	8.10 Create a Fantasy Plot Outline
	Greek roots: graph, photo	8.11 Interpret Images
	Greek root: tele	9.7 Personification
	Latin roots: script , scrib	9.8 Sound Devices
	Greek roots: aster , astro ; Latin root: aqua	9.9 Write in the Style of a Poet

* The /ə/ symbol represents the schwa vowel sound. This vowel sound occurs in unstressed syllables. It sounds like the /uh/ sound in *ladder* and *table*. It is common in Australian English.