

Spelling Ninja: Level Twenty Six Words

cruel	cruelty		
quality	qualities		
quantity	quantities		
hospital			
nephew			
niece			
diesel			
nerve	nervous	nervously	
muscle	muscly	muscular	
tongue			
nostril			
vein	veinous		
artery	arterial		
necessary	necessarily		
courage	encourage	encouragement	courageous
caught	taught	naughty	daughter
immediate	immediately		
special	specially	especially	
competition			
different	differently	difference	

A few ideas that may help:

- 1) Use the spelling strategies tips explained in the “Guidance for Parents” pages.
- 2) Play games as explained in the “Games Ideas” page.
- 3) Try the following

quality and **quantity**: The suffix **-ity** is common. Remember that in the plural, “**y** changes to **i** and add **-es**.”

qual-ity

quant-ity

nerve: Remember from level 2 that English words never end with a **v** because the letter **v** is balancing on its point and it will fall over. If **v** is the last sound in a word, you must prop it up with an **e**.

courage: In level 16, it was explained that the second most common sound of **ou** is as in cousin, country, young, etc. To help remember this spelling, link the words together.

My country cousin has courage.

necessary: Try one of these

Mnemonic: **never eat chips, eat salad sandwiches and remain young.**

Remember that a coat has one **collar**

two **sleeves**

hospital, artery: Use clear syllables

hos-pit-al

ar-ter-y

muscle, tongue, vein: Use spelling speak

mus-c-le

ton-gue

ve-in

cruel: Use clear syllable splitting for this.

cru-el

It splits between the vowels. This also occurs in diet (di-et), lion (li-on), ruin (ru-in).