

## Spelling Buzz: Level Ten Words

magic	magical	magically	magician
often			
eleven			
twelve			
thirteen	thirty		
fifteen	fifty		
twenty			
forty			
hundred			
thousand			
half			
zero			
any	anyone	anywhere	anyway
many			
ask	asks	asked	asking
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Saturday	Saturn		
sudden	suddenly		

## **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

**any** and **many**: These two words are difficult because the **a** sounds like **e**. Highlight the **a** and try either mispronouncing the word, using Spelling Speak, or a mnemonic such as

**any** naughty **y**aks (and draw a picture to go with it)

**magic**: Remind your child that, “i, y and e make a softy out of **g**.” As the **g** is followed by i, it makes a soft j sound, but it spells with **g**. For **magician**, the **cian**, sounding like ‘shun’, can cause problems. Tell your child that all magicians are called **ian**!

**magic-ian**

**ask**: Have a laugh trying out northern and southern accents to say this word. It is easier for the northerners – the southerners tend to pronounce it as ‘arsk’. If your child likes mnemonics, try

**ask: a silly king**

**hundred** and **thousand**: These words need to be spoken very clearly in their syllables, so that they are phonetic.

**hun-dred**

**thou-sand**

**thirteen** and **thirty**: From level 8, your child knows how to spell ‘**third**’. These numbers all contain the digit 3, and all spell with **ir**.

**twelve**: If your child sometimes forgets the final **e**, remind them 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**.

**twenty** and **forty**: If your child spells the final **y** as an **e**, remind them that **e** on the end of a word is usually silent (but doing its job of changing the sound of the preceding vowel). The **ee** sound on the end of words is almost always **y**, as in **mummy** and **happy**. **Forty** may cause difficulties because the **for** part spells differently from **four**.