

Spelling Buzz: Level Sixteen Words

mouth	mouthful		
exercise			
circle			
square			
arrive	arrived	arriving	arrival
experiment	experimented	experimenting	
wonder	wonderful	wonderfully	
notice	noticeboard	noticing	noticed
edge	hedge	ledge	hedgerow
parent			
cousin			
aunt	aunty		
uncle			
laugh	laughed	laughing	laughter
shoe	shoes	horseshoe	
February			
August			
December			
picture			
difficult	difficulty		

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

mouth: Some children confuse **mouth** with **month**.

circle: Think in syllables to spell this,

cir-cle

remembering that there are two **cs** (like the two semi-circles to make up a full **circle**). Also you need to know that the ‘ul’ sound on the ends of words often spells as **-le**, as in **apple**, **bubble**, **rattle**, **jumble** and **uncle**.

arrive: It is useful to know that **ar** (with one **r**) sounds as in **car**, whereas **arr** (with two **rs**) sounds as in **arrive** and **carry**.

notice: Use Spelling Speak and say it as **not-ice**.

edge: As explained at Level 6 for orange, English words never end with a **j**. We use **-ge** instead. However, if the preceding vowel is a short, weak sounding vowel, it is usually **-dge**. eg. **cage** has a long strong vowel, so it ends with **-ge**, whereas **cadge** has a short weak vowel and ends with **-dge**.

laugh: Use a mnemonic for this one.

laugh and you get happy