

Word Wall

In order for students to become independent readers and writers, they need to learn the most frequently used words, many of which have irregular spellings. A word wall is a useful way for children to access new words and to become confident in their ability to copy, and eventually internalize, word spellings. There are varieties of different types of word walls, some, which include vocabulary, words, students names, or even words that students want to "know how to spell."

Remember that your word wall is a place where students can reference the most **frequently used words**, which have irregular spellings. As the teacher continuously models where and how to use the word wall during daily writing activities, the students gain the independence they need to become more proficient writers and readers.

Kindergarten Word Wall Words

First Quarter

a
my
the
go
to
I
as
can
at
an
is
man
us
red
blue
brown
purple
green
yellow
black
zero
one
two
three
four
five

Second Quarter

like
he
come
here
this
me
for
where
do
you
look
not
on
take
this
if
but
all
six
seven
eight

Third Quarter

see
what
up
down
we
want
out
who
are
they
big
had
him
them
play
men

Fourth Quarter

she
good
and
there
give
little
that
have
did
end
has
old
went
set
such

First Grade Word Wall List

First Quarter

help
let's
now
it's
call
in
no
too
just
get
hold
home
so
soon
hand
late
oh
yes
also
off
find
much
thank
away
how
make
of
may
some
day
eat
first
said
time
was
spell
well

Second Quarter

don't grew
her need
line play
Mr. rain
new watch
says back
water
be
does
food
grow
live
many
most
arms
every
feet
head
school
use
way
your
animals
cold
fish
from
their
under
very
ask
page
came
could
gold
happy
made
night
saw
were
been
time
air
fly
friends

Third Quarter

again hurry
feel mother
house should
know sky
loud told
Mrs. cool
put dry
say four
must holes
turn move
about each
books work
family place
name warm
people around
read found
work gone
writing hears
show might
always near
by open
cow's tired
join
nice
please
room
same
buy
carry
money
other
paint
paper
would
mouse
our
over
pretty
surprise
three
even
try
dear
door

Fourth Quarter

because almost
light blue
right great
those poured
walked took
another traveled
part boy
brown building
city tomorrow
hello toward
loudly welcoming
love long
mean which
year any
pulled front
become nothing
busy ready
eyes sorry
high large
listen these
remembered
talk
visitor
clear
color
good-bye
hair
kinds
only
toes
climbed
earth
fooling
table
thought
place
answered
baby
done
heard
pools
pushed
together
able

Second Grade Word Wall List

| | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| about | friends | or | their |
| after | girl | other | them |
| again | green | our | then |
| are | gym | outside | there (here) |
| beautiful | have | people | they |
| because | here | phone | they're (they are) |
| before | house | played | thing |
| best | how | pretty | those |
| black | hurt | quit | to |
| boy | I | rain | too (too late!) |
| brothers | into | really | trip |
| bug | it's | ride | truck |
| can't | joke | right (wrong!) | two (2) |
| car | jump | said | use |
| caught | junk | sale | very |
| children | kicked | saw | wanted |
| city | knew | school | was |
| clock | line | shook | went |
| could | little | sister | were |
| crash | made | skate | what |
| crashes | mail | slow | when |
| didn't | make | small | where |
| don't | many | snap | who |
| drink | more | sometimes | why |
| eating | name | sports | will |
| every | new (old) | stop | with |
| favorite | nice | tell | won |
| first | not | than | won't |
| float | off | thank | write |
| found | one (1) | that's | writing |

(The boldfaced words are often used on a first-grade word wall, but it takes some children two years to learn to spell these words automatically every time they write.)

Third Grade Word Wall List

August/September

Again because could favorite have into off
People said they until very want who

October

city community countries exciting getting pretty prettier
prettiest laughed schools to too two was

November

beautiful before discover enough first hopeless journal
let's recycle their there they're went when

December

anyone are can't don't everybody everything hidden
our right terrible trouble won't wouldn't write

January

about especially except friendly knew new know
no myself really probably then usually what

February

by buy didn't doesn't general governor something
sometimes one unhappiness winner won your you're

March

Another confusion I'm its it's question that's
Threw through vacation we're wear where with

April

Almost also always impossible independent lovable
Thought were weather whether whole hole

May/June

This month, do as many activities as you can fit in to review, practice, and "over learn" so that students become so automatic at spelling and using these words that they have them at their fingertips for the rest of their lives.

Fourth and Fifth Grade Word Wall List

August/September

| | | | | |
|---------|---------|------|-------|------|
| because | friends | have | laugh | off |
| people | said | they | until | want |

October

| | | | | |
|--------|-------|---------|----------|------|
| again | could | excited | favorite | into |
| really | to | too | two | was |

November

| | | | | |
|-----------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| beautiful | before | enough | first | school |
| their | there | they're | went | when |

December

| | | | | |
|----------|------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| are | can't | don't | won't | everybody |
| everyone | everything | our | right | write |

January

| | | | | |
|-------|--------|------|---------|------|
| about | except | knew | new | know |
| no | myself | then | usually | what |

February

| | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|--------|---------|------------|
| by | buy | didn't | doesn't | especially |
| something | sometimes | who | one | won |

March

| | | | | |
|---------|-------|---------|------|-------|
| another | I'm | its | it's | let's |
| that's | threw | through | very | with |

April

| | | | | |
|--------|-------|----------|----------|--------|
| almost | also | always | probably | we're |
| wear | where | wouldn't | your | you're |

May

| | | | | |
|--------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| anyone | getting | terrible | thought | trouble |
| were | weather | whether | whole | hole |