

# SPELLING RULES

## Some Spelling Rules to help your students



- Every word must have a vowel sound.
- Short vowel sounds – the sound of the letter.
- Long vowel sounds – the name of the letter.
- 'Y' at the end of a one-syllable word sounds like the long 'i'.
- 'Y' at the end of a word with more than one syllable sounds like 'ee'.
- The letter 'q' is always married to the letter 'u'.
- 'ca', 'co', 'cu' – the C sounds like K – 'ce', 'ci', 'cy' – the C sounds like S.
- 'ga', 'go', 'gu' – the G sounds like G – 'ge', 'gi', 'gy' – the G sounds like J.
- 'oi' usually appears in the middle of the word – 'oy' usually appears at the end of the word.
- The silent 'K' comes before an 'N' – knife, kneel, knot, know.
- The silent 'W' comes before an 'R' – write, wrap, wrist, wrong.
- The silent 'B' comes after an 'M' – thumb, comb, climb, bomb

### Additional Tips for Daily Implementation:

- Play games like card games, or board games where children have to read or find pictures and words with these spelling rules.
- Use word cards to categorize and reinforce these spelling rules.

Remember: Sometimes there are exceptions to the rule.

