

Orienteering Spelling Race



Objective

Applying knowledge of spelling rules and patterns, building a rich vocabulary



Equipment

- Activity Sheets
- Enrich school orienteering map
- Orienteering control markers
- Answer Sheet



Preparation

- There are twelve different Activity Sheets to select from for this activity, each of which has words that are linked to a specific spelling pattern.
- The answer sheet for this activity provides further details of the words and spelling patterns for each Activity Sheet.
- Children could do this activity in pairs or small groups
- Provide each pair/small group with a copy of an Activity Sheet and an Enrich Orienteering Map.
- Explain to the children how to complete the Activity Sheet.



Instructions

- Each Activity Sheet consists of three words which have several missing letters.
- Each missing letter is linked to a control point and one of the letters from the control marker (1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th).
- Children use their orienteering map to locate the control points and begin to insert missing letters from the words.
- NB - If they think that they know what the word is before they have visited all of the control points they can insert the rest of the letters into the word.
- The challenge is to complete the words as quickly as possible.



Other information

- Pairs or small teams could play this game competitively, by racing against each other to complete the same Activity Sheet.
- Alternatively, children could time themselves to see how quickly they can complete one of Activity Sheets.
- When they have completed an Activity Sheet, children could check the spellings of the words, using a dictionary and ensure that they know the meaning of the words.
- They could also collect examples of other words containing the same spelling pattern.
- Children could reinforce their spelling of the words they have completed using 'look/say/cover/write/check'.
- Using their dictionaries to help them, children could include each of their words within a sentence.
- There is an editable Activity Sheet template with this activity, which teachers can use to create their own Spelling Races, using the control marker images available through the 'Resources and Training' tab on the 'My Account' page of the Enrich Education Hub.

