

About Spelling Mastery

What is Spelling Mastery?

Spelling Mastery is a research-proven program that employs the Direct Instruction method to enable teachers to deliver highly interactive, structured lessons that help students learn dependable spelling skills. Spelling Mastery approaches spelling through strategies, patterns and rules.

The lessons in Spelling Mastery combine phonemic, morphemic and whole-word instruction to make spelling easier to learn and pave the way for effective writing.

1. **Phonemic:** Helps students to spell words that are highly regular in terms of sound-symbol correspondence.
2. **Morphemic:** Teaches older students to spell a variety of prefixes, suffixes and word bases and provides them with a manageable set of rules for combining these elements.
3. **Whole Word:** Helps students to tackle high frequency words that must be learned by memory

Who is it for?

At Baringa SPS Spelling Mastery is taught to students in years 2 to 6.

Spelling Mastery program structure

Spelling Mastery lessons include the following:

- 4 x 30 minute spelling lessons per week
- Placement tests are used to determine the appropriate level for individual students, and therefore students are able to be placed above or below their current year level according to their spelling ability
- Each level provides opportunities for student to re sit regular tests to allow further opportunity to improve results
- The repetitive nature of the program caters to students who would benefit academically, requiring several opportunities to master the content
- Different learning styles are catered for due to the oral and visual components of the program

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