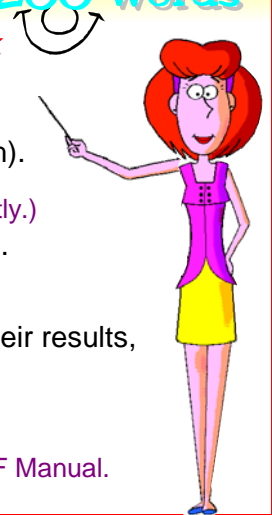


Easy Class Set-Up

THE SPELLING CENTRE

The first 200 words

School Network
Version



- 1 Enter the **Teacher Tools** and type in the *pass code*; "ACS" (the 3 letter acronym for Australian Curriculum Software). Then select [**Easy Class Set-Up**].
- 2 Click [**Create a New Class**] and type in the name of your class (ie. 4L Mrs Smith).
- 3 Type in a student's name and click [**Enter**]. (Please ensure names are spelt correctly.) Repeat until all of your students have been entered. Then return to the Main Menu. Your class is now set up. **EASY!**

Students can now use the software. *The Spelling Centre* will automatically track their results, and select appropriate word lists for them to practise.

- ☆ You now also have a *new* option to **import class data from an external text file**. Access this function from the Easy Class Set-Up screen. View detailed instructions in the PDF Manual.

Software Overview...

The Spelling Centre software is made up of four program modules:

The Spelling Centre – The First 200 words

This is the main program which teaches a list of 10 words through a series of five spelling activities. In Activity One, students click on letter buttons and "chunks" to build and 'sound out' each word. Activity Two is very similar, but this time the word is placed in a sentence context, illustrated by a photograph. Activity Three is a concentration game; match up all the word pairs. Activity Four uses Look-Say-Cover-Write-Check, students now type in the words and a special *extra help lesson* is provided when needed. (So why not make deliberate spelling errors and take a look?!) Activity Five is a spelling test, and following this the student is rewarded with a game of their choice.

Drill Coach

This is a Look-Say-Cover-Write-Check program in which students can practice a shuffled list of all 200 words, or just those that they have not yet learnt. Words may be entered using the keyboard, or by clicking over the letter buttons and "chunks" on the screen. Students are awarded a game credit each time they accumulate 50 words spelt correctly.

Spelling Assessment

This program gives a spelling test on all 200 words. It should be used under test conditions, and is only recommended for students who are already fairly confident spellers. Words may be tested in random order, or in order of easiest to hardest words. Results are saved while students work towards game credits.

Teacher Tools

The Teacher Tools are the user-friendly *control centre* for setting up your class, prescribing students' word lists and accessing their results. This section of the program is pass code protected (simply type "ACS"). You may select a specific word list for a student to practise, and also view analysis reports which can help identify word families a student may need help with, and also recommend specific worksheets (BLMs) to print out for them.

For further information about any aspect of the software please refer to:

The Spelling Centre PDF MANUAL (180+ pages) . . . You can access the manual from the **Teacher Tools**.

As well as **more than 80 printable BLMs (spelling activity pages)**, this manual includes detailed notes on the software (which you can use for PD), plus Notes on Spelling, Word Lists, Certificates, Technical Support and Order Forms.

PLEASE NOTE:

- ☆ Use of headphones is recommended, to minimise disruption for the rest of your class.
- ☆ Please ensure that students play under their **own** names; this is to maintain purity of results.
- ☆ Please tell parents about the **Home Version** . . .
Students with learning difficulties will benefit greatly from playing *The Spelling Centre* at home. For just \$25, our software can provide many hours of targeted spelling practise that students also enjoy! Ordering information is available from the Main Menu, or on our website.



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Play a demo version of our software on-line at: www.spellingcentre.com

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