

Word Families **Based on Common Words**



This week, we are again looking at spellings that belong to the same family of words. Knowing that a word follows a particular pattern can make it simpler to spell.

Many words share the same **origin** or root word.



The word 'origin' means where something came from or where it began.



The particular root word that we are going to look at this week is...

'sign'

which derives from Latin and is often associated with words that mean **to mark or to seal**.

Can you think of some words that contain the root 'sign'?



Working with a partner, can you think of the 'sign' words to match these definitions in this quick-fire quiz?

To write your name in a distinctive way to sign off letters or authorise documents.

Click for answer

To allocate a job to someone.

Click for answer

To create a plan or drawing of a building, piece of clothing or object before it is built or made.

Click for answer

To appoint a person to a specific job.

Click for answer

Greatly important and worthwhile.

Click for answer

Working with a partner, can you think of the 'sign' words to match these definitions in this quick-fire quiz?

Giving up a position or retiring.

Click for answer

To voluntarily leave a job.

Click for answer

Not all important or worth any thought.

Click for answer

A piece of work to complete as part of a job or course.

Click for answer

A gesture, action or sound used to signify something.

Click for answer

Have another look at your 'sign'
root word spellings for this
week...



Let's spin the spinner!

Now, work with your partner to write a sentence that contains the 'sign' word on your whiteboards.

Could your sentence use 'after' as a subordinating conjunction?
Could your sentence begin with a prepositional phrase?
Could your sentence use a simile?
Could your sentence use a metaphor?
Could your sentence use a personification?
Could your sentence use a simile?
Could your sentence use a metaphor?
Could your sentence use a personification?
Could your sentence use a simile?
Could your sentence use a metaphor?
Could your sentence use a personification?



Spin

Here are your spelling words for this week.



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Work hard to practise these 'sign' word family spellings.

Week 5
Word families based on common words, showing how words are related in form and meaning

signature
assign
design
designate
significant
resignation
resign
insignificant
assignment
signal

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