Common Exception Words

Years 3 and 4

suffix -ly, -ally	-ible words	split digraph – long vowel sounds	Other words
accidentally	possible	vowersounds	answer
actually		Two letters make one	breath
occasion(ally)	-ough letter strings	sound that are split	breathe
probably		(e.g. guide - 'i-e')	build
	enough	arrive	calendar
'n' spelt as 'kn'	though/although	decide	complete
	thought	describe	consider
knowledge	through	extreme	continue
knowledgeable	(currently taught in	guide	early
	Years 5/6)	surprise	earth
-tion and -sion		(review work from	experiment
words	Words from other	Year 1)	group
words mention	countries		guard forward(s)
occasion	bicycle	cross-curricular	fruit
position	(cycle - from the	words	heard
possess(ion)	Greek for wheel)	earth	heart
question	(bi-meaning 'two')	eight/eighth	history
question	(Si iiicaiiiig tivo)	fruit	imagine
'or' sound spelt 'augh'	'i' sound spelt as 'u'	heart	important
or sound spent augn	r souriu speit as u	history	increase
caught	busy/business	increase	island
naughty (regional	,	minute	learn
pronunciation)	adding prefixes	natural	length
	duding prefixes	opposite	material
'ei', 'ey' and 'eigh'	(dis)appear	position	minute
sounds	(dis)believe	quarter	natural
	(re)build	regular	often
eight/eighth	(re)position	weight	particular
reign		material	peculiar
weight	unstressed vowels	experiment	perhaps
height (exception)	-1:66	length	popular
	different		potatoes
adverbials	favourite February	's' sound spelt as 'c'	promise purpose
therefore	interest	before 'e', 'i' and 'y'	quarter
therefore	library	bicycle	regular
ous words	ordinary	centre	remember
-ous words	separate	century	sentence
famous		certain	special (-tial words)
various	double consonants	circle	straight
	double collisorialits	decide	strange
	address	exercise	strength
	appear	experience	surprise
	arrive	medicine	woman/women
	different	notice	
	difficult	recent	
	disappear	(review work from	
	grammar	Year 2)	
	occasion		
	opposite		
	pressure suppose		
	зиррозе		

Years 5 and 6

Unstressed vowels	Other words	ie are adjacent	-ous words
accommodate bruise	amateur average	soldier sufficient	disastrous marvellous
category	awkward	variety	mischievous
cemetery	bargain	ancient	
definite	controversy	foreign (exception	Words originating
desperate dictionary	curiosity develop	to the pattern)	from other countries
embarrass	forty	Double consonants	conscience
environment	guarantee	Double consoliants	conscious
exaggerate	harass	accommodate	desperate
marvellous	hindrance	accompany	yacht
nuisance	identity	according	
parliament	individual	aggressive	Cross-curricular
privilege	interfere	apparent	words
secretary	interrupt	appreciate	forty
vegetable	language leisure	attached committee	forty temperature
	lightning	communicate	twelfth
Unstressed consonants	muscle	community	twentii
Consonants	neighbour	correspond	-le words
government	persuade	immediate	-ie words
	programme	occupy	available
Suffixes and prefixes	queue	occur	vegetable
	recognise	opportunity	vehicle
according	relevant	recommend	muscle
attached	restaurant	suggest	
criticise (critic+ise) determined	rhyme rhythm		'c' makes 's' sound
equip(-ment, -ped)	shoulder	Word families	before 'i', 'e' and 'y'
especially	signature	familiar	cemetery
frequently	stomach	identity	convenience
immediate(-ly)	temperature	signature	criticise
(un)necessary	twelfth	symbol	excellent
sincere(-ly)	vegetable	(this is revision from	existence
	vehicle	year 3/year 4)	hindrance
'i' before 'e' except	yacht		necessary
after'c' when the		'y' makes the 'i' as	prejudice sacrifice
sound is 'ee'	-tion words	in 'bin' sound	Sacrifice
achieve	competition	physical	
convenience	explanation	symbol	
mischievous (regional	profession	system	
pronunciation, e.g. if	pronunciation	(this is revision from	
use the 'ee' sound)	-ough letter strings	year 3/year 4)	
	thorough		