<u>INTRODUCTION</u>

We believe that there are no short-cuts to long-term learning, and repetition is a proven way to learn fundamental skills that stay with you for a lifetime.

Comprehensive knowledge of vocabulary is a vital part of the 11 plus examinations as it has become progressively more important for all forms of the 11 plus exams.

Our 11 plus vocabulary book series is designed to provide bite-sized activities for learning new words, antonyms, synonyms, compound words, idioms, homophones and homonyms that may appear in the 11 plus tests.

Apart from gradually and steadily building vocabulary knowledge, it is equally important to know how to spell any new word or term. The 11+ Vocabulary Book Series has specific exercises that allow the child to practice their spelling skills.

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Activity 4: Antonyms & Synonyms



Antonym: A word that has the opposite meaning of another word. For example, full and empty.

Find an **antonym** from the word bank for each word listed below and write it in the space provided.

- 1. _____ unaware
- 2. _____ dissuade
- 3. _____ unlikely
- 4. _____ differ
- 5. _____ rough
- 6. _____ lose
- A. encourage
- B. conscious
- C. gentle
- D. keep

- E. bashful
- F. virtuous
- G. imitate
- H. probable

- 7. _____ confident
- 8. _____ wicked

Complete the **synonyms** of the words given in bold.

Activity 8: Synonyms & Spellings



Synonym: A word having the same or nearly the same meaning as another word.
For example, happy and cheerful.

Find a **synonym** from the word bank for each word listed below and write it in the space provided.

1	frail	A. nuisance	B. primary	C. unkind	D. static						
2	cruel	E. credulous	F. impartial	G. feeble	H. back						
3	annoyance										
4	inactive										
5	essential										
6	confident										
7	rear										
8	candid										

For each question below a number of similar words appear, but only one is spelt correctly. Circle the word that is spelt correctly.

- 1. A. arial B. aerrial C. aeriel D. aerial
- 2. A. immediatte B. immdiat C. immediate D. immediete
- 3. A. supercede B. suprseed C. supersede D. sepersede
- 4. A. extremeli B. extrmily C. extremly D. extremely
- 5. A. negotiate B. negotiate C. neggotiate D. negotieat
- 6. A. deficcient B. deficiente C. deficient D. dificient
- 7. A. changeble B. changaible C. changeabel D. changeable
- 8. A. resonable B. reasonabel C. reasonable D. reasonaibl

Activity 20: Homonyms



Homonyms are words that have the same spelling and usually sound alike, but have different meanings.

For example, Bright - intelligent / Bright - filled with light.

Read the clues and complete the crossword puzzle with the correct homonyms.

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	² d		₃ g	a			⁵ m			
				⁶ b						
⁷ C										
				8 r						

ACROSS

- 3. To be bright and intense. A fierce look.
- 5. To be of equal, or similar quality. A contest.
- 6. Brave; courageous. Easy to notice.
- 7. A round body, ring. A group or society.
- 8. To throw back light, heat from a surface. To think about.

DOWN

- 1. A hand held flat touch screen computer. A pill.
- 2. A finger or toe. A number.
- 4. A hard, yellow resin material that is used to make jewellery. A yellowish brown colour.