

Strategies for Spelling

Chunk the word by breaking it down into syllables:

go – vern – ment

com – pa – ti – ble

em – bar – rass

beau – ti – ful

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Find the root word and be aware of component parts such as prefixes and suffixes:

disqualify dis + **qualify**

achievable achiev(e) + able

misunderstanding mis + **understand** + ing

unknowingly un + **know** + ing + ly

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Use related words to help you:

here where there everywhere

could would should

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Make up a mnemonic to help remember tricky spellings that always catch you out:

reign: royal **e**lizabeth is **g**oing **n**owhere

mnemonic: **m**aking **n**atty **e**fficient **m**emory **o**rganisers;
now it **c**omputes

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