

Year 5 – Autumn Term – Week 5

Spelling Rule / Weekly Focus



Revision Suffixes -ous, -ation -ous

Sometimes there is no obvious root word. -our is changed to -or before -ous is added. A final 'e' of the root word must be kept if the /dʒ/ sound of 'g' is to be kept. If there is an /i:/ sound before the -ous ending, it is usually spelt as i, but a few words have e. Strictly speaking, the suffixes are -ion and -ian. Clues about whether to put t, s, ss or c before these suffixes often come from the last letter or letters of the root word. -tion is the most common spelling. It is used if the root word ends in t or te.

information	● adoration	● sensation
preparation	● admiration	● poisonous
dangerous	● mountainous	● famous
various	● tremendous	● enormous
jealous	● humorous	● glamorous
vigorous	courageous	serious