

SPELLING WORDS AND TRICKY WORDS

SPELLING WORDS (COMMON ERRORS)

choose/chose	women	coming	ninth
piece/peace	always	too	answer
off	laid	twelfth	its/it's
meant	used to	friend	until
receive	there/they're	loose/lose	which
beginning	their	forty	whose/who's
either	believe	know	we're/where/were
truly	buy	didn't	tired
led/lead	paid	Wednesday	whole
through/threw	hoarse	February	Heard
among	already	a lot	does
whether/weather	glamour	advise (verb)	business
practise (verb)	centre	recognise	tonight
humour	frightened	couldn't	advertise
caught	believe	instead	dessert/desert
favourite	notice	realize	quiet/quite
among	successful	eligible	personal
recent	rhyme	tremendous	appreciate
ancient	rhythm	syllable	definitely
thorough	desperate	accumulate	lonely
necessary	occurring	usual	fascinate
embarrassing	approximately	usually	prejudice
relevant	parallel	determine	erie
remember	disappoint	consequently	playwright
achievement	weird	develop	horrified
jewellery	humorous	enthusiasm	particularly
immediately	apparently	individual	ladies
separate	disappearance	similar	lady's
alright (colloquial)		sacred	dying
all right (formal)		scared	repetition





TRICKY WORDS

The Macquarie Dictionary defines the word "tricky" as characterised by deceitful or clever tricks; wily, deceptive, uncertain or ticklish to deal with or handle. Many words are not spelt the way they sound. This makes them difficult to remember.

(The following material (pages 27 to 29) have been taken from the Harvey Norman WorkL OZSPELL 2002 Vocabulary Book)

abattoir	align	arguable	abscess	alleged	armful	abysmal
accumulate	ambidextrous	asphyxiation	accustomed	ambiguous	assassin	achieve
adamant	annihilate	attitude	additional	annotate	automatic	adequate
advice	anxious	advise	apartheid	autumn	adze	appalled
aggregate	appendicitis	bachelor	aghast	appraise	baggage	aide
alligator	artichoke	abyss	allotment	artisan	accessible	almond
anachronism	assent	acoustics	analogous	assimilate	acquaintance	analysis
annul	admittance	anomaly	adolescent	anonymous	advantageous	antithesis
aqueduct	bailiff	aisle	arc	ballistics	albuminous	architectural
ascendancy	accommodate	alternate	ascent	accompaniment	amateur	asphalt
asthmatic	acquiesce	ancestry	atheist	acreage	anemone	atrocious
awesome	aerate	apparel	awful	afforestation	appearance	awkward
ballot	balmy	brooch	catalogue	bandanna	brusque	catarrh
bankruptcy	buccaneer	catastrophe	banquet	buffalo	catechism	barbecue
barrelled	caviar	battalion	ceiling	bazaar	cellophane	beguiling
berserk	champagne	besiege	channel	bias	chaos	bigamy
bluish	camouflage	chronic	bodily	campaign	chrysanthemum	bombardier
Braille	capsicum	clairvoyance	breach	caress	claustrophobia	breadth
bullion	cauliflower	baritone	bunion	caulk	barmy	cautious
bureaucracy	check	blasphemy	byword	cherish	bleary	caffeine
cancellation	cigarette	borne	cantaloupe	cinch	bourgeoisie	canyon
cartography	clientele	breathalyser	cassette	climactic	broccoli	castanets
cemetery	belligerent	census	benefit	centigram	bequeath	centipede
characteristic	billet	chasm	bivouac	buoy	chauffeur	bizarre
chisel	bloc	calibre	chloroform	bludgeon	calliper	choir
cinnamon	boutique	capillary	circuitous	boycott	capitalist	civilian
clique	brochure	casal	cocoa	coercion	consumer	curriculum
coincidence	contraceptive	customary	collaborate	contradictory	cynic	colleague
commiserate	coronary	debauchery	commissionaire	correspondence	debonair	committal
conceal	counterfeit	defuse	conceit	courteous	deign	conceive
confidante	cruise	depth	congeal	cryptic	dermatitis	conjunctivitis
consignment	deuce	conspicuous	devise	dexterity	diabetes	diagnosis
controversial	cynicism	colonel	convalescent	cyst	colossal	convolvulus
corridor	deceased	commuter	corrugated	deceive	comparative	cosmopolitan
crayfish	delicatessen	concession	crèche	delinquent	concurrently	criterion
cubicle	derogatory	connivance	cuisine	descendant	connoisseur	curable
dachshund	combat	cooperative	dahlia	commemorate	corduroy	damage
deciduous	compatibility	councillor	decrease	compliments	counsellor	definite
delirious	condescend	crocodile	demarcation	confetti	croupier	denunciation
desecrate	conscientious	dessert	consensus	detachable	conservation	deterrent
diarrhoea	dichotomy	different	dilapidated	dilettante	dumbfound	enrolment
diminution	dungarees	ensconce	dinghy	duress	ensure	diphtheria
disburse	economic	epilogue	discernible	ecotourism	epitome	discipline
dishevelled	effrontery	euthanasia	disillusion	eisteddfod	exaggerate	disinfectant
dissent	emergent	dissipation	eminent	dissolute	emissary	dissuade
docket	encumbrance	exclamation	doggerel	encyclopaedia	excommunication	domicile
dutiful	enthral	disadvantageous	dynamite	enthusiasm	disagreement	dysentery
ecstasy	erroneous	discourteous	eczema	escalator	discreet	eerie
electrician	exasperate	disparage	elicit	exceed	disperse	elude
emphasis	distillery	employee	distraught	enamel	disuse	enclosure
endorsement	excruciating	doubt	endue	exhilarate	draughty	enforce
entrepreneur	disapproval	eccentric	envelope	disbelief	ecclesiastic	environmentalism
espionage	discrete	effect	estrangle	discrimination	effervesce	etiquette

excel	dispossess	embarkation	dissatisfy	embarrass	dissect	embitter
exorbitant	drought	engineer	exorcist	dubious	enough	explanation
expurgate	foe	gnarled	extinguish	foliage	gnat	extraordinary
feign	garrulous	habitual	ferocious	gateau	halcyon	feud
filigree	giddy	havoc	finesse	gigantic	headache	flamboyant
fluoride	gluttonous	herbaceous	hereditary	inaccurate	inequality	heroism
forensic	gnome	extrovert	foretell	gorgeous	foreword	graffiti
forfeit	grammar	fortieth	grandeur	fortuitous	gratitude	frailty
frequency	grizzly	fuchsia	grotesque	fugitive	growth	fulfilment
funnel	guild	fallacious	furniture	guillotine	familiar	fuselage
gazetteer	handkerchief	fiasco	genealogy	happiness	fiend	genuine
gilt-edged	hearse	flammable	gimmick	heifer	flippant	glamorous
gravel	fraud	gregarious	freedom	grieve	freight	grisly
gruesome	fumigate	guarantor	fabulous	fungus	guardian	facsimile
guitar	farcical	gangrene	guttural	fascinate	garrison	gymkhana
harass	fierce	gesticulate	hatred	filial	ghetto	haughty
heinous	fluent	glimpse	heir	florescent	glorious	helicopter
holiday	incommunicado	influenza	holocaust	inconceivable	ingenuous	homogeneous
hurricane	initial	hyphen	initiative	hypnosis	innocuous	hypocrisy
idiosyncratic	incongruous	insincere	idyllic	incorrigible	insomnia	ignominious
illiterate	imbued	indefatigable	interference	imitation	indefinite	intermediate
immemorial	independence	intermittent	immigrant	independent	internment	imminent
impervious	indubitable	intuitive	impetuous	indulge	inveigle	impresario
inadmissible	inequity	hideous	inappropriate	inexcusable	hi-fi	inaugural
incredulous	install	illegible	institution	illiterate	indebted	intelligentsia
index	interpretation	immoral	indict	interrogation	impasse	indictment
inefficiency	investor	impromptu	ineligible	inveterate	involuntary	invulnerable
infatuated	hijack	incessant	inflammation	hilarious	incognito	inflationary
ingredient	honorary	inhabitant	horticulture	inhibition	humorous	iniquitous
innuendo	hypotenuse	innumerate	hysterical	inquiry	icicle	inseparable
interview	impeccable	intoxicate	indignant	impel	indistinguishable	intrigue
irrespective	lascivious	irrevocable	laudable	irritable	launch	itinerary
jaguar	ledger	magician	jeopardy	legible	magnificent	jodhpurs
jugular	licence	mandolin	juvenile	licensee	manikin	kaleidoscope
knack	lonely	massacre	knave	loquacious	matt	knick-knack
knowledgeable	lumbar	inward	kowtow	luminous	iodine	label
labyrinth	irreparable	lackadaisical	irreplaceable	languor	irresistible	laryngitis
laundry	its	lazy	macaroon	jacket	leather	maelstrom
lengthwise	maintenance	journalist	leopard	malaise	jubilant	leprechaun
liege	mannequin	karate	lieutenant	mantelpiece	kerosene	likelihood
linguistics	marriage	kilogram	liquefy	marshal	kilometre	liveable
luggage	maudlin	mayonnaise	negligence	osteopath	meagre	negotiate
lustre	irascible	laboratory	lyrics	iridescent	laburnum	irrelevant
malignant	jubilee	lewd	malnutrition	juggernaut	liaison	manageable
manual	khaki	lineage	marauder	kibbutz	lingerie	kidnapper
marvel	kiosk	liveliness	marzipan	kitchen	loathe	masonry
mediocre	niece	overrate	memento	ninetieth	override	memory
meteorology	nuisance	pamphlet	microphone	nutrient	panegyric	migraine
miniature	obsolete	paraphernalia	miraculously	obstreperous	parcel	miscellaneous
mnemonic	onward	passenger	model	ophthalmic	pattern	mongrel
narcissus	nationality	naughtiness	nausea	necessity	per cent	piteous
nonchalant	overwrought	meringue	nostalgia	ozone	messenger	notoriety
obedient	panic	milieu	obituary	panorama	millimetre	oblivious
occupation	paroxysm	mischievous	occupy	parsimonious	mishap	occurrence
ophthalmology	peculiar	mortgage	ornithology	pendant	mould	oscillate
ounce	mechanic	neurotic	outlying	medallist	neutral	overall
pacifist	metamorphosis	novelist	palaeography	meteorological	nucleus	pallor
pantomime	millionaire	obscene	paradise	mineralogical	obsequious	paralysis
participle	mispronunciation	octogenarian	partisan	misspell	ominous	partner

penicillin	moustache	multitude	murderous	mutual	mysterious	mythical
perjury	plebeian	propellent	pernicious	plough	prophecy	persistence
petroleum	pornography	provisional	pharmacy	portable	provocation	pharynx
physique	precede	pumice	picturesque	precedent	punish	pigeon
poignant	proportion	personnel	politician	prosaic	perturb	poltergeist
portray	prowess	phial	posse	pseudonym	phlegm	possibility
precipice	purpose	pillar	precocious	pursuit	piquant	predilection
prerogative	quieten	presence	quiz	presidency	quotient	prestige
priest	raffle	privacy	raisins	privilege	rapturous	procession
prologue	receipt	receptacle	recipe	recognition	recompense	reconnaissance
prominent	perceptible	placebo	promotion	perilous	plaque	propaganda
prospective	pessimism	pomegranate	protagonist	petal	populous	prove
psychiatry	phosphorescent	potatoes	psychological	phosphorus	practitioner	psychology
quadruped	preference	quarantine	preliminary	quarrelsome	premonition	query
rabies	presumably	racket	prevalent	racquet	preventable	radical
raze	profession	reasonable	proffer	rebate	prohibitive	recalcitrant
recruitment	redundant	reflection	refrigerator	registrar	regrettable	rehabilitation
reign	reiterate	relatives	relevant	relieve	remember	reminiscence
removal	rendezvous	renewal	reopen	repentant	reprisal	repugnant
reservoir	repetitive	resignation	resistance	resourceful	restaurant	restoration
resuscitate	reunion	revenue	revival	rhapsody	rhetorical	rhinoceros
rhubarb	ridiculous	rigor mortis	rissoles	rivets	roguish	rotation
roulette	royalty	rucksacks	ruffian	rummage	sabotage	sacrifice
sacrilegious	salad	salmon	sanatorium	sanctuary	sanitary	satisfactory
scaffolding	scathing	sceptre	schooner	scissors	scruples	scurrilous
seasonal	secondary	secretarial	secretive	sedentary	sensible	sentimental
serenade	serrated	serviette	sewerage	sexual	shanty	she-oaks
sheriff	shriek	siege	sigh	silhouette	simpleton	simultaneous
sinuous	sirloin	sizeable	skeleton	skilful	skilled	slaughter
sleigh	sleuth	slothful	sluice	smithereens	smuggling	sobriety
sociable	solemn	solicitor	sombre	sometimes	sophisticated	sovereign
spaniel	spatula	speciality	specious	spectre	spherical	spicy
spiritualism	spontaneity	sprightly	spurious	squalor	squat	squawk
squeal	squirrel	staccato	stalwart	startling	statistics	stature
statutory	steadfast	sterile	stifling	stirrup	stoicism	storage
straitjacket	strategic	streak	strenuous	strychnine	studious	stupor
stylus	subconscious	sublieutenant	subpoena	subsidence	substitute	subtle
succeed	successor	succulent	sudden	sufferance	suffocate	suicide
superficial	superintendent	supersede	superstitious	supervisor	surroundings	surveyor
susceptible	sustenance	swivel	sympathy	syndicate	synthetic	syrup
taciturn	talent	tangerine	tariff	tassel	taxi	technological
teenager	teetotaler	temperamental	temptation	tendency	terrace	terrify
terrorist	tetanus	theorem	therapeutic	thermostat	thief	thoroughfare
thresh	throughout	thwart	timbre	titillate	title	toboggan
tomorrow	tonsillitis	tortuous	toughen	tourniquet	towelling	tragic
tranquil	transcend	transferable	transmitter	trapeze	traveller	treasury
treaty	tremor	tribunal	tripod	troop	troublesome	truism
tryst	tuition	turquoise	twelfth	twilight	typhoon	typist
tyranny	ultimate	unanimous	underdeveloped	underprivileged	undoubted	unequaled
unguarded	universally	unnecessary	unremitting	until	unwieldy	uppermost
upward	utterly	vaccinate	vain	vandalism	variegated	vegetarian
veneer	venomous	ventriloquist	vermilion	versatile	vertebrate	veterinary
viable	vicious	victorious	vigorous	village	virtual	vindictive
virus	viscount	vivacious	vociferous	volcanoes	voluntary	voyage
wagon	walnut	wanderer	warmth	warrior	wearisome	weight
weird	wharf	wherever	whether	whiting	wholesome	whom
wields	willy-nilly	wintry	withdrawal	witticism	woebegone	womb
wondrous	worship	wrath	wreckage	wretched	writhe	wrongdoer
xylophone	yoghurt	yoyo	zoological			