

## \*Spelling Rules

1. Q is followed by U. Quiet
2. No English word ends in v. Love
3. Capitalize proper nouns. America
4. Abbreviations end with a period. Bldg.
5. Plurals: Words ending in x, s, ss, sh, ch, add es. watch-watches
6. Words ending in single f, change f to v and add es. shelf-shelves
7. Apostrophes: Show omitted letters in contractions do not-don't
7. Usually, l comes before e (believe) except after c. (receive) or when sounded like a (neighbor)
8. Suffixes

Words ending in e, drop the e if the suffix begins with a vowel. Bake-baking

Keep the e if the suffix begins with a consonant. Manage-management

Words ending in y (following a consonant), change the y to i unless suffix begins with i.

Words ending in a single consonant (following a single vowel), double the final consonant before adding ed or ing. ship-shipped-shipping

\*Rules that are true more than 80% of the time.