

## Word list: Years 5 and 6

accommodate	criticise	identity	recognise
accompany	(critic + ise)	immediate(ly)	recommend
according	curiosity	individual	relevant
achieve	definite	interfere	restaurant
aggressive	desperate	interrupt	rhyme
amateur	determined	language	rhythm
ancient	develop	leisure	sacrifice
apparent	dictionary	lightning	secretary
appreciate	disastrous	marvellous	shoulder
attached	embarrass	mischievous	signature
available	environment	muscle	sincere(ly)
average	equip	necessary	soldier
awkward	(-ped, -ment)	neighbour	stomach
bargain	especially	nuisance	sufficient
bruise	exaggerate	occupy	suggest
category	excellent	occur	symbol
cemetery	existence	opportunity	system
committee	explanation	parliament	temperature
communicate	familiar	persuade	thorough
community	foreign	physical	twelfth
competition	forty	prejudice	variety
conscience*	frequently	privilege	vegetable
conscious*	government	profession	vehicle
controversy	guarantee	programme	yacht
convenience	harass	pronunciation	
correspond	hindrance	queue	

The word-list for years 5 and 6 is statutory and has been created by the Department of Education. This means that these are words that children in Year 5 and 6 are required or expected to know and be able to spell by the end of KS2. The list is a mixture of words pupils frequently use in their writing and those which they often misspell. Some of the listed words may be thought of as quite challenging, but the 100 words in this list can easily be taught within the last two years of key stage 2 alongside other words that teachers consider appropriate.