

First Grade Spelling Check Rubric (Semester 2)

These indicators guide us in determining a grade that reflects your child's overall understanding of the week's spelling pattern and the use of punctuation.

Literacy	4 Advanced Understanding and Application	3 Meets Benchmark for this Semester: Overall Performance Shows Consistent Evidence of Understanding	2 Approaching Benchmark: Overall Performance Shows Understanding is Developing	1 Does Not Meet Benchmark: Overall Performance Shows Limited or No Evidence of Understanding
Conventions of standard English: spelling patterns and high frequency words	<p><i>Meets the criteria for 3 and...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correctly spells <i>most</i> of the words in the dictated sentence • Correctly spells 3 or more bonus words • Correctly uses inflectional endings (-s, -es -ed, -ing) • Correctly spells word wall words beyond the first grade level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correctly spells 7-8 assigned words with the focus pattern of the week • Correctly spells at least half of the words with the focus pattern in the dictated sentence • Correctly spells word wall words in the dictated sentence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correctly spells 5-8 assigned spelling words • Correctly spells less than half, but at least one, of the words with the focus pattern • Spells some but not all of the word wall words correctly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correctly spells fewer than 5 assigned words • Attempts to write dictated sentence; no evidence of success in applying the focus pattern • Misspells many word wall words
Conventions of standard English: punctuation	<p><i>Meets the criteria for 3 and...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correctly uses capitals and ending marks for all sentences dictated • Correctly uses apostrophes and other punctuation beyond the first grade standards if needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begins sentence with a capital • Ends sentence with a period • Capitalizes proper nouns (names), including those not appearing at the beginning of the sentence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses <i>either</i> a capital at the beginning or a period at the end • Uses some random capitals making it unclear that proper nouns are capitalized intentionally 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Omits <i>both</i> the capital at the beginning <i>and</i> the period at the end • Omits capitals for proper nouns; may use a significant number of random capitals; omits capital for pronoun I