

# Ways a Parent Can Help with

# SPELLING

**1**

Have your child write spelling words:

- On paper with pencils, pens, markers or paint
- With chalk on a sidewalk or patio
- With dry erase markers on a mirror
- Type on a computer
- With fingers in shaving cream on a counter

**2**

Have your child spell the words out loud while you are in the car or in line at a store

**3**

Spell words using blocks, Scrabble tiles, or flash cards

(Make your own with index cards- on card for each letter. Consider using different colored cards for vowels)

**4**

**If the list of words to learn is long, have your child choose 4-5 to focus on at a time**

**5**

*Have your child write the words in alphabetical order or in order from shortest to longest*

**6**

Play "Hangman" with your child using the spelling words

Make crossword puzzles and word searches with the spelling words for your child to solve

**7**

**COMBINE SPELLING WITH PHYSICAL ACTIVITY**  
**HAVE YOUR CHILD DO JUMPING JACKS, SAYING ONE LETTER PER JUMP, OR WHILE WALKING UP AND DOWN STAIRS, SAYING ONE LETTER PER STEP**

**8**

**Keep a dictionary in your home and help your child look up unfamiliar words**



**Encourage your child to read!**

**Good Readers are often good spellers.**