



Ordering things around

CAPS: Grade 5, Term 3

Writing and Presenting

Records words and their meanings in a personal dictionary:

Writes sentences using the words or explanations to show the meaning, etc.

Note

Words in dictionaries are listed in alphabetical order.

- if words have the same first letter, then look at the next letter
(e.g. cat comes before cot).
- if the first two letters are the same, look at the third letter, and so on
(e.g. cheap comes before chirp)

Activity 1

Alphabetical order: Put on your detective hat, get out your magnifying glass and look for clues to help put these words into alphabetical order.

An example has been done for you.

Example

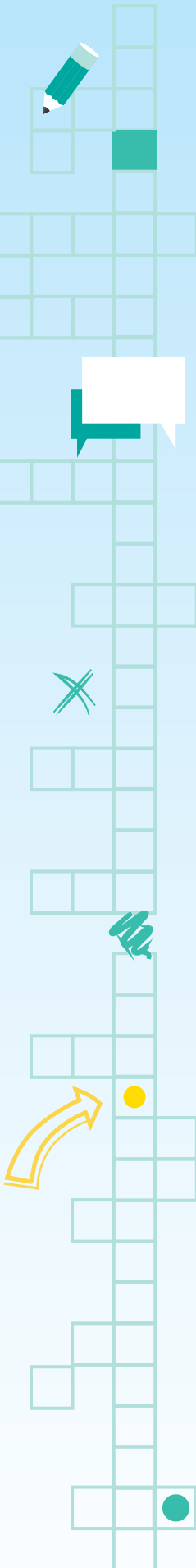
hot, cold, freezing, boiling, sweaty, melting

boiling, cold, freezing, hot, melting, sweaty

① wife, daughter, husband, spinster, bachelor, son

② stallion, mare, ram, ewe, boar, sow

③ fox, vixen, sir, madam, nun, monk





④ clip, cat, cope, crispy, church, cent

⑤ shop, shape, ship, share, shelter, she



Activity 2

Look at these words and match them up with their correct definitions [meanings]. Then put them into alphabetical order. An example of each has been done for you.

Order	Word / Phrase	Definition (Meaning)
	regular verb	an action that has already happened e.g. kicked, ran, ate
1	adjective	the actual words of the speaker e.g. "I am here," he said.
	past tense	keeps the same root word in present, future or past tense. e.g. walk, walks, walked
	direct speech	speech or quotation marks around the exact words spoken in direct speech e.g. "Come inside."
	gender	a word that describes / explains a noun e.g. green, tall, five,
4	inverted commas	either male or female e.g. cow, bull; spinster, bachelor

Teacher Tip

Remind learners, their personal dictionaries are where they:

- record spelling words they use often in their writing
- add new words they may want to use in future writing
- list the correct spelling of words they know they often misspell

