Year 5 and 6 Spellings

The National Curriculum specifies 100 words that all children in Years 5and 6 should be taught. This is in addition to specific spelling rules which are outlined below.

We have split the 100 words into two sets, the first for Year 5 and then Year 6. The children are given these words to learn throughout the year in batches of 12 or so at a time.

Spelling Year 5

Teaching Objective	Appropriate words from Year 5&6 Word List	Specific Year 5 word list (*including* those in Col 2)	
"i" before "e" rule – soft c	achieve, cemetery, leisure, necessary, neighbour, sincere(ly)	accommodate accompany according achieve aggressive ancient apparent appreciate average attached awkward cemetery committee communicate community competition conscience conscious convenience criticise curiosity develop dictionary disastrous environment equip (-ped, -ment) equipment excellent existence explanation	familiar foreign forty frequently hindrance immediate(ly) leisure marvellous mischievous necessary neighbour nuisance persuade profession pronunciation queue recognise relevant rhyme rhythm sincere(ly) soldier sufficient temperature thorough twelfth vehicle yacht (60 words)
-ant, -ance/-ancy, -ent, -ence/-ency	apparent , convenience, existence, hindrance, nuisance, sufficient		
Words containing the letter string -ough	thorough		
Homophones and other words that are often confused			
Words with "silent" letters	foreign, vehicle, yacht		

Spelling YEAR 6

Teaching Objective	Appropriate words from Year 5&6 Word List	Year 6 word list (*including* those in Col 2 & topic list below)	
-cious or -tious endings		amateur available average bargain bruise category controversy correspond definite desperate determined embarrass especially exaggerate government guarantee harass identity individual interfere interrupt language lightning	muscle occupy occur opportunity parliament physical prejudice privilege programme recommend relevant restaurant sacrifice secretary shoulder signature stomach symbol system variety vegetable (44 words)
-cial and –tial endings	especially		
-able and ible, -ably and -ibly endings	available		
Use of the hyphen			