## **How to Study Spelling Words**

- 1. Say (slowly/stretch the word out) See (Patterns) Study Spell
- 2. Break words into parts or syllables person ally in cred <u>ible</u>
  Mark and study the hard parts of the word <u>phy</u> si cal sin <u>cere</u> ly
- 3. Look for dependable or familiar spelling patterns for <u>basic words</u> -ack, -at, ick, -op, -ump, -ing
- 4. Look for parts of word that have **MEANING**

<u>pre view</u> to see before care ful ful of care

act = do: action, actor, active, activity, activate, actually

5. Look for useful words within the word.

**person** al  $/ \text{ per } \underline{\text{son}}$  al = are useful

 $\underline{\mathbf{me}}$  ntal = not useful

men tal = useful

to get her

6. Connect with words you already know

If you know  $\underline{ou}t$ , then you know:  $sh\underline{ou}t$   $ab\underline{ou}t$   $l\underline{ou}d$   $b\underline{ou}nd$   $cl\underline{ou}d$ 

7. Visualize connections among similar words

**Min = small**: <u>min</u>imum, <u>min</u>us, <u>min</u>iature, <u>min</u>ute, <u>min</u>ce, <u>min</u>utia Picture a n<u>eigh</u>bor in a sl<u>eigh</u> carrying <u>eigh</u>t w<u>eigh</u>ts

- 8. Say and exaggerate parts of the word (choc -o- **LATE**)
- 9. Create / use a rhythm, chant, or melody that fits the word Example: e nc yc lo pedia; Bi-ngo