THRASS UK - ENGLISH SPELLING CHART PROGRAMME - CRITERION-REFERENCED ASSESSMENTS

Learners are assessed using criterion-referenced assessments (with observable standards of achievement).

ENGLISH SPELLING CHART SKILLS

Resource/s: S-75 (size A5) or S-46 (size A4) **Deskcharts** (two-sided Individual Deskcharts) / S-48 (size A1) or S-49 (size A0) **Wallcharts** (one-sided Group/Class Resources)

Assessment: The drill and ten skills are described on the Skills and Challenges **Record Sheet** (from the THRASS UK website DOWNLOADS), with further explanation on the S-77 English Spelling Chart Skills **CD** (70 mins, 9 soundtracks). To obtain a 'Pass', learners must speak clearly and, where appropriate, point accurately throughout the demonstration of the drill/skill.

LANDMARKS AND NAMES

- The Landmarks Drill
- Skill 1 Point under each lower-case letter and name it.
- Skill 2 Point under each capital letter and name it.
- Skill 3 Point under each black keyspelling and name the letter/s.

SOUNDS AND SYLLABLES

- Skill 4 Point under each black keyspelling and say the sound.
- Skill 5 Point under each sound-box and say the sound.
- Skill 6 Say each keyword and for each red keyspelling clap your hands once.

CONSONANT BLENDS AND RHYMES

- Skill 7 Say each keyword that has a consonant blend and say the 2 or 3 sounds together.
- Skill 8 Say each keyword and its rhyme/s (the vowel and any consonant sounds).

KEYWORD SOUNDS

• Skill 9 Say each keyword and point under all the blue/red spellings and say the sounds.

KEYWORD LETTERS

Skill 10 Say each keyword and look away and spell it.

READ AND SPELL THE THRASS 500 BASEWORDS

Resource/s: S-31 Spelling List **Workbook** (500 basewords in 49 separate lists - Individual Workbook) and/or S-94 English Spelling 500 **Chart A4** (Consonants are blue. Vowels are red. Two-sided Individual Chart). Also available, S-64 English Phonics 500 **Book** (book for spelling and revising the basewords in their lists - Individual Book) and T-52 Hotwords **Cards** (100 laminated cards, two-sided, for reading and spelling the first 100 words - Group/Class Resource).

Assessment: Learners must be able to read and spell all of the 500 basewords - the 100 Hotwords (the first 10 lists), 120 Keywords (the next eight lists) and the '280 Words' (the final 31 lists).

READ AND SPELL THE THRASS 1,200 GROUP WORDS

Resource/s: S-33: Spelling Group **Workbook** ~ (1,200 group words - 10 words for each of the 120 key spellings of English - Individual Workbook) and/or S-58 English Phonics 1200 **Chart A3** (two-sided large deskchart, 10 group words for each of the 120 keyspellings - Group/Class Resource) **Assessment:** Learners must be able to read and spell all of the 1,200 group words.

DOWNLOADABLE THRASS SKILL CERTIFICATES AND THE '120' AND '500' TESTS

Visit the THRASS UK website DOWNLOADS section to obtain 'I CAN' certificates for Skills 1-10 and the reading and spelling of the 100 Hotwords, 120 Keywords, 500 Basewords and 1,200 Group Words. There is an optional extra certificate for the THRASS Landmarks Drill. If desirable, the 120 Keywords and 500 Basewords can also be 'tested as a whole' on a given 'Assessment Day', by individuals, groups or classes, by using the downloadable THRASS 120 Reading and Spelling Test or THRASS 500 Reading and Spelling Test.