The statutory end of Key Stage tests
Following the Read Write Inc. Spelling programme will help to prepare children for the spelling component of the English grammar, punctuation and spelling tests at the end of Key Stages 1 and 2.

The tests will draw on the range of strategies and morphological awareness specified in the statutory spelling appendix to the National Curriculum in England (September 2013), all of which are covered by Read Write Inc. Spelling. The tests may include words drawn from the word lists in the National Curriculum (covered by the Red and Orange words in this programme) but will not be limited to them.

How can I prepare children for the tests?
All the spelling skills and knowledge required for the statutory tests are embedded in the teaching and learning of the Read Write Inc. Spelling programme. They are covered in a variety of ways:
- The pre-programme activities and Year 1 Practice tests can be used to assess children’s phonics knowledge as well as their understanding of the key spelling concepts taught in Year 1 of the National Curriculum in England.
- The units and Special focus sessions cover all the spelling requirements of the National Curriculum in England (September 2013).
- The Word banks can be used for a variety of learning and revision purposes (see Activities for learning challenging words on pages 30-32).
- Consolidation sessions can be used to reinforce learning.
- Spelling Log Books give children a sense of ownership over their own learning, and are useful records of progress.
- Red and Orange words are frequently discussed and practised throughout engaging, fun activities.
- Year 2 reviews all previous years’ learning, reinforcing and refreshing what has previously been taught. (See overview of content on p.53.)
- Practice tests are provided online. There is one for each term in every year group of the programme plus two for Year 1 and six extra Challenge tests for Year 2.

These tests can be conducted in the same manner as the statutory tests, in order to familiarise children with the procedure.

Really detailed guidance on assessment.

Clear links show how every unit meets the new curriculum requirements.