

Spelling Relay – Due on Friday
(to be completed on lined paper)

Lap One Monday:

- Write words in ABC order in syllables
- **Dictionary Skills** – Define 5 spelling words and include part of speech

Lap Two Tuesday:

- Take a Spelling City Practice Test
 - <http://www.spellingcity.com/ksmedstad/>
 - Look for this week's word list
 - Play games/practice for test
 - Click on S-Test
 - Take test, click check me
 - Print out test result and attach to your spelling packet

Lap Three Wednesday:

- Write words 2 times each

Lap Four Thursday: Write 5 descriptive/defining sentences using the spelling words defined Lap One:

- One sentence must begin with a prepositional phrase
- One sentence must be a compound sentence
- One sentence must be a complex sentence
- One sentence must contain an adverb and adjective
- One sentence must be a 5W sentence

SIMPLE SENTENCE

A simple sentence, also called an independent clause, contains a subject and a verb, and it expresses a complete thought. In the following simple sentences, subjects are in yellow, and verbs are in green.

- A. Some students like to study in the mornings.
- B. Michael and Alex play football every afternoon.
- C. Alicia goes to the library and studies every day.

COMPOUND SENTENCE

A compound sentence contains two independent clauses joined by a coordinator. The coordinators are as follows: *for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so*. The coordinators are preceded by a comma.

- A. I tried to speak Spanish, and my friend tried to speak English.
- B. Carl played football, so Sarah went shopping.
- C. My puppy has hair hanging over her eyes, and she looks like a dust mop.

COMPLEX SENTENCE

A complex sentence has an independent clause joined by one or more dependent clauses. A complex sentence always has a subordinator such as *because, since, after, although, or when* or a relative pronoun such as *that, who, or which*.

- A. When he handed in his homework, he forgot to give the teacher the last page.
- B. She returned the homework after she noticed the error.
- C. The students are studying because they have a test tomorrow.
- D. After they finished studying, Michael and Maria went to the movies.
- E. Michael and Maria went to the movies after they finished studying.