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# Programed Spelling Demons (4th Edition)





## Synopsis

This popular book helps eliminate basic spelling problems. Its format enables readers to proceed at their own pace with the aid of diagnostic test and review tests. Motivating and entertaining, it emphasizes drill over theory because it assumes correct spelling must become automatic. Addressing the basic words that account for the majority of spelling errors, the book employs a phonics approach while presenting words in sentence contexts to give them life and meaning. Focusing on word building, the book encourages useful spelling rules while ignoring rules riddled with exceptions. The fourth edition of Programmed Spelling Demons has been revised to include four new smaller chapters on demons, a single chapter on Words with Tricky Endings, and new proofreading exercises. Previous separate chapters on silent letters, troublemakers, and hyphens have been deleted. A valuable book for any reader who wishes to improve his spelling ability.

### **Book Information**

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This popular guidebook helps students eliminate those basic spelling problems which can plague almost any writer. Feinstein stresses words commonly confused, phonics, plurals, capitals, apostrophes, hyphens, suffixes, and gimmicks. His programed format enables readers to proceed at their own pace with the aid of a diagnostic test and subsequent review tests. Well-motivated and entertaining, it encourages useful spelling rules, ignoring those rules that are riddled by exceptions to exceptions. The program relies on drill more than theory, because it assumes that correct spelling must become automatic. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Unless you are a grade school teacher in desperate need of a workbook, or are an ESL student -be forewarned! I'm certain the information inside this text is excellent, but come on people. \$100 to learn the difference between it's and its, which you should have learned in grammar school?! Not saying the content isn't good -- it's fine. It's the cost that is galling. This was a required text for me as a court reporting student, and I found the cost reprehensible.

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