

Spellings - w/c. 22.02.21

This week your spellings have the 'shun' sound spelt 'tion', 'ssion', 'sion' or 'cian'

expression	decoration	tension	electrician
discussion	vibration	optician	magician
confession	expansion	musician	population
information	extension	politician	comprehension

'Shun' is never used to make this sound. The actual sound comes from -ion or -ian. The clues about whether to put t, s, ss or c before these suffixes comes from the last letter(s) of the root word.

1. Add **-tion** if the root word ends in **t** (invent) or **te** (hesitate).
2. Add **-ssion** if the root word ends in **ss** (compress) or **mit** (permit).
3. Add **-sion** if the root word ends in **d** (extend) or **se** (expanse).
4. Add **-cian** if the root word ends in **c** (magic) or **cs** (physics).

Here are some ideas for practicing your spellings...

Monday - write your words out. If you don't know the meaning of any, look at the definition in a dictionary or online. Write out the meaning so you remember it.

Tuesday - write your words out using either rainbow writing, bubble writing or curly writing.

Wednesday - draw a picture that represents one of your words and write your words within it.

Thursday - choose 5 of your words and write a sentence for each of them that includes the word. Challenge yourself to extend your sentences. Can you fit two of your spelling words in one sentence?

Friday - ask somebody in your household to test you. How did you do? Let your teacher know by emailing year4@ferndale.swindon.sch.uk