

# WORD<sup>®</sup> SHARK v.5

*to help you read and spell*

*It combines the excitement of games with the serious task of learning to read and spell. Wordshark's strength lies in its educational integrity. Each of the 60 motivating games is designed to address **discreet skills** in the **teaching and reinforcing** of reading and spelling.*

Wordshark has dedicated games to support **synthetic phonics**, involving **blending sounds** into words for reading and **segmenting words** into sounds and syllables for spelling.

Word lists and games address:

- ▶ Common letter and auditory patterns
- ▶ Prefixes and suffixes
- ▶ Homophones
- ▶ Spelling rules
- ▶ Alphabet and dictionary skills
- ▶ Use of words in context

The games and selection of pre-recorded words are specially structured to assist those with **dyslexia**, but work equally well for a wide range of users including **able spellers** and those with **EAL**.

The variety of games, concepts and words makes Wordshark suitable for use in both **primary** and **secondary schools** as well as at **home**.

**Wordshark offers high motivation and interest within a structured learning process.**

## **The word lists and courses**

Wordshark is suitable for a wide age range. Its material ranges from **simple** cvc words through to **challenging** sets for very able spellers. **Synthetic phonics** is embedded in Wordshark's structured courses.

### **The courses**

These include:

- ▶ **A spelling course for *The National Curriculum 2014 (England)***
- ▶ A course for '**Letters and Sounds**' (earlier English government scheme)
- ▶ A structured **Wordshark spelling course** – easy to follow sequentially
- ▶ Subject vocab for **secondary schools**: sentences targeting comprehension
- ▶ **Everyday vocabulary** lists and activities – useful for **EAL**
- ▶ Selections of **High Frequency Words**
- ▶ A course for **Alpha to Omega** following the structure of that book
- ▶ An **alphabet and dictionary** course

**Your own word lists can be easily added**

- ▶ Over **10,000 words** and sounds pre-recorded.
- ▶ Easy to add **your own words, pictures and recordings**.
- ▶ **Records** kept of student work to **track progress**.
- ▶ Variable speeds and other options meet **all grades of skill**.
- ▶ **Interactive Whiteboards** provide an effective way to use Wordshark.
- ▶ **Search facilities** will quickly find individual words, letter patterns and spelling rules.
- ▶ **Print outs** include **worksheets**, word searches and word lists.
- ▶ Easy to set work for **individuals or groups**.
- ▶ On-screen **Help available** alongside games as you play them.