**Spelling Strategies Checklist 3-5**

**Use these ideas when you need to spell a word you don’t know.**

* Do I hear a smaller word within the word?

boycott – “I hear ‘boy’”

* Is there a base or root word?

marker

* Does it have a prefix or a suffix?

fitness questionable retirement

* Try writing it on a practice page. Does it look right?

possability? Or possibility?

prediktion? or prediction?

Cheat Sheet for Moms and Dads:

1. Write part of the word for them.
2. Tell them another word it sounds like.
3. Practice words at [www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com).
4. Do the strategies above WITH them!
5. It is okay to tell them how to spell it!