



Bee-ginner Class

STARTING DATE – Thursday, July 10, 2022

A course strictly for beginning spellers up to 3rd grade!

**Combo class with 30-minute group sessions plus
one 15-minute weekly individual session**

Wondering if your young ones are ready to enter the spelling arena? Not sure where to start? Our Bee-ginner Class works as a group session with up to 6 spellers. This class will allow your speller to explore words from many different directions. The only requirement is that your child must know how to read. This is designed at a beginning level with the intent to keep your youngster engaged while building knowledge and love of the language.

Michelle Horton will conduct Bee-ginner group sessions and schedule a weekly individual session with each speller to give personal attention and guidance.

A weekly 30-minute class for six weeks (for all spellers):

- **DATES:** Starts July 10, 2022 (other classes are TBD)
- **CLASS TIME:** 30-minute weekly group sessions are TBD
- **Individual Sessions:** A weekly 15-minute, individual session with Mrs. Horton is also included
- ***A maximum of 6 participants per class, so reserve your place!***

Geared to young spellers, the assignments are varied and shorter to keep spellers involved and actively learning about the workings of language and spelling skills.

The course material covered will include mechanics of spelling, rules for several language families, interesting words, like homonyms and eponyms, words from unknown origins or imitative words, and much more. All word lists will be available in our eMentor format; try this Internet app free at <https://www.hexco.com/spelling-demo/> on our website.

Tuition: \$950 (a \$400 non-refundable deposit is required to hold your speller's space.)



This class is limited to eight students and meets weekly for six weeks starting in mid-June. If you would like to reserve your place, please fill out our [interest form](#) and [pay your deposit of \\$400](#) to secure your place!

For those who still want one-on-one coaching, we offer our Personal Spelling Coach - Beginning Personal Coaching which is a bit faster-paced and has six 30-minute sessions with the time agreed between speller and coach.

MEET THE COACH - Michelle Horton



Michelle Horton is our head coach who developed Hexco's Spelling Coaching Program along with Linda Tarrant. Michelle has been writing and editing products for Hexco for the past several years and has been coaching students using our new system for over ten years. Prior to coaching Hexco spellers, Michelle coached all of her children using Hexco products, and her three children collectively spelled at the National Bee for a total of seven years. Michelle's youngest, Mary, ultimately tied for fifth place at the NSB in her final attempt. Michelle is an expert grammarian who holds a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education with a specialization in Chemistry. As head coach, she has developed instructions for approaching the spelling of words in various language families beyond what is in Hexco's Spelling Rules Book and has added multiple lists for many language families and beyond. Currently, Michelle is expanding the Personal Spelling Coach program to include new areas for mastery for coaching students as well as working with Linda Tarrant to convert our current program to include coaching eMentors for the PSC program. Her positive attitude helps build excellent rapport with students as she continues to receive stellar reviews from customers who have had the opportunity to benefit from her coaching, many of whom have made it to the higher rungs of the National Spelling Bee.