

Year 1 Common Exception Words

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the	you	where
a	your	love
do	they	come
to	be	some
today	he	one
of	me	once
said	she	ask
says	we	friend
are	no	school
were	go	put
was	so	push
is	by	pull
his	my	full
has	here	house
I	there	our

Year 2 Common Exception Words

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door	cold	grass	whole
floor	gold	pass	any
oor	hold	plant	many
because	told	path	clothes
find	every	bath	busy
kind	great	hour	people
mind	break	move	water
behind	steak	prove	again
child	pretty	improve	half
children	beautiful	sure	money
wild	after	sugar	Mr
climb	fast	eye	Mrs
most	last	could	parnts
only	past	should	Christmas
both	father	would	everybody
old	class	who	even