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# Word Power

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High School Spelling & Vocabulary Contest  
Word List**

# The Details...

## NATURE OF THE CONTEST

The UIL Spelling and Vocabulary Contest promotes vocabulary development and precise and effective use of words. The three part contest consists of multiple-choice questions and words that are written from diction. Eighty percent of the test will come from the UIL *Word Power* list that changes each year. Twenty percent will come from outside sources, such as commonly used words, proper names/words in the news, and words that are representative of important elements in the English language.

- Part I: Contestants are given 15 minutes to complete 30 questions that consist of 15 Proofreading questions and 15 Vocabulary questions. The Proofreading questions are comprised of list words, forms of list words and non-list ("outside") words. The Vocabulary questions are based on the words indicated for vocabulary study in the current *Word Power*.
- Part II & III: This portion of the contest will consist of words pronounced for the contestants. Part II is the hand-written spelling of 70 words pronounced aloud to contestants. Part III is a tiebreaker section of 20 additional pronounced words.

## ABOUT WORD POWER

*Word Power* was compiled using *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, third (1992) and fourth (2000) editions. Each word was checked for possible variant spelling, capitalization, and parts of speech. *Word Power* reflects several decisions made for consistency and clarity.

## SPELLING & PRONUNCIATION

If a word has more than one correct spelling, all spellings are listed, separated by a comma (frenetic, phrenetic). Students are required to spell only one variant. Although every attempt has been made to list all alternate spellings, some others will undoubtedly be discovered. *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, Third, Fourth or Fifth Edition is the final authority, not *Word Power* or the test lists.

In order to make it easier for contestants to determine the correct pronunciation of words with variable suffixes, the following guidelines are used. If the addition of a letter does not change the pronunciation of a word, the additional letter(s) may be placed in parentheses at the end of a word, or the second spelling is given on the same line. For example dialogue may also be spelled dialog; therefore, the listing in *Word Power* is dialogue, dialog. An entry such as pedagog(ue), paedagogue would indicate three acceptable spellings. On the other hand, holographic and holographical are forms of the same word in the same part of speech, but they are pronounced differently. These words will be separate entries.

Brief definitions will be given for each word pronounced in Parts II and III. During competition, students must spell the form of the word given. For instance, the list word "mecca" can be written as either a capitalized or lower-case word, depending on the definition given. In order to get credit for such a word, students must spell the form of the word which corresponds to the pronounced definition. If a word is spelled correctly but is the incorrect form, it will be considered misspelled. Words with same parts of speech and meanings but different pronunciations will appear as separate entries in *Word Power*.

## CAPITALIZATION

If a word can begin with either a lowercase letter or a capital, both versions are given. It is the responsibility of the contestant to know in what circumstances to use lowercase or capital letters. Both the unnecessary use of a capital or its omission are considered errors.

## MARKINGS

The English language includes words taken directly from foreign languages without changes in spelling. Marks assumed to be accent marks for syllables are really guides to the proper pronunciation of vowels; therefore, in order to spell the words correctly, it is necessary to use these marks accurately. For example, the French word *dégradé* is pronounced DAY gah ZHAY. The acute accent (') is usually pronounced as the a in late or date. The grave (') and the circumflex e (^) are pronounced as the e in peck or deck. The grave and circumflex a give the a sound of ah as in paw. Other commonly used pronunciation guides are the German umlaut (") and the Spanish tilde (~). Because the selection of a mark, such as a pronunciation mark, and its proper placement are necessary for the correct spelling and pronunciation of foreign words used by educated Americans, improper usage of accent marks or marks such as umlaut or tilde is considered a spelling error.

## VOCABULARY

Approximately 350 words have been selected for vocabulary study and are designated by the symbol •. For example:

778. kookaburra •

Contestants will be responsible for the spelling, meaning, and derivation of these words. Question formats may vary from one test to another in order to provide the best method of testing the material.

Any questions regarding the correct spelling of words should be directed to the League office. Corrections to *Word Power* are posted on the Spelling and Vocabulary webpage at: [www.uiltexas.org/academics/academic-contests/spelling-and-vocabulary](http://www.uiltexas.org/academics/academic-contests/spelling-and-vocabulary).

1.	aardwolf	51.	amoretto	101.	arthrotomy •
2.	ab extra •	52.	amphibiotic	102.	Arthurian
3.	abbé •	53.	amphora •	103.	artiodactyl
4.	Abbevillian	54.	ampicillin	104.	ascendancy, ascendency
5.	abiological •	55.	anabatic	105.	asphyxiant
6.	abscission •	56.	anadromous	106.	asquint •
7.	absolve	57.	anaglyph •	107.	assayer
8.	acanthoid	58.	analphabetic •	108.	assuasive •
9.	acatalectic •	59.	Anatolian	109.	assumpsit
10.	accessory	60.	ancien régime	110.	astasia
11.	accreditation	61.	andouille	111.	astrogate •
12.	accumulation	62.	angelology •	112.	asyndeton •
13.	Achilles tendon	63.	Anglophobia	113.	atonic
14.	acoustician	64.	animadversion	114.	atrocity
15.	acrimony	65.	animato	115.	atrophy •
16.	acromegaly	66.	anneal •	116.	attelet
17.	actinouranium	67.	annelid	117.	audiophile
18.	actuaries	68.	annus mirabilis	118.	aurora australis •
19.	Addison's disease	69.	ansate cross	119.	Australasia
20.	adenocarcinoma •	70.	antebellum •	120.	autecology
		71.	antediluvian		
21.	adjacency	72.	anthelion	121.	avarice
22.	admixture	73.	anthropocentric •	122.	axiomatic
23.	adsorbent	74.	antiballistic missile	123.	axolotl
24.	adulterate	75.	antifungal	124.	azalea
25.	aeroembolism	76.	antiphlogistic •	125.	Azerbaijan
26.	aerosol	77.	antipodean	126.	Babinski reflex
27.	affirmation	78.	antipruritic	127.	babushka
28.	aftereffect	79.	aphagia	128.	baccate
29.	aggiornamento	80.	aphonia •	129.	backpedal
30.	aggrandize			130.	Baconian
31.	agilely	81.	apocalypticism •	131.	badinage
32.	agrostology	82.	aposematic coloration	132.	bain-marie
33.	aioli	83.	apotropaic •	133.	Balkanize, balkanize
34.	alastor, Alastor	84.	appanage, apanage	134.	ballade
35.	albedo	85.	appellant •	135.	balsamic •
36.	alcalde	86.	appendectomy •	136.	banana republic
37.	alderman •	87.	appendices •	137.	barbarism
38.	aleatory •	88.	apprenticeship	138.	bargello
39.	alembic	89.	aqueduct	139.	Barmecidal
40.	algor mortis	90.	arbitrary	140.	barograph
41.	All Fools' Day	91.	arbutus, Arbutus	141.	barramunda
42.	alliaceous •	92.	archaeology, archeology	142.	basenji
43.	alpestrine	93.	archetype	143.	basilica
44.	altiplano •	94.	architrave	144.	bassoon
45.	amandine •	95.	archivist	145.	bastille
46.	ambergris	96.	arenicolous •	146.	bathysphere
47.	ambient	97.	Armenia (country)	147.	bauxite
48.	amendatory	98.	aromatherapy	148.	bayou •
49.	amniocentesis	99.	arraign •	149.	béchamel sauce
50.	amniotic •	100.	arrogate	150.	beefalo •

151.	behoove	201.	cajolery	251.	chifforobe •
152.	Belgrade	202.	calcinosis	252.	cholecyst
153.	belle époque •	203.	caliche	253.	cholera
154.	bellicose •	204.	calliope (instrument)	254.	Christogram
155.	bemusement	205.	calorimeter	255.	chrysoprase
156.	beneficence	206.	calpac, calpack, kalpac	256.	chrysotherapy
157.	Beowulf	207.	camcorder	257.	cinchona, Cinchona
158.	besom	208.	Camelopardalis	258.	cinematography
159.	bestiary	209.	camera-ready	259.	circularity
160.	bezoor	210.	campestral	260.	circumterrestrial •
161.	biathlon •	211.	canapé	261.	citrine •
162.	Biblicist	212.	candelilla	262.	clairvoyant •
163.	bibliopole	213.	cannoli	263.	clarification
164.	bidarka	214.	canoeing	264.	clavicle
165.	bifurcate	215.	capitulate •	265.	clerestory, clearstory
166.	bioenvironmental	216.	capriole •	266.	clerihew
167.	blancmange	217.	captivity	267.	clochard
168.	blandisher	218.	caracal	268.	cloture
169.	bleary-eyed	219.	Carboniferous, carboniferous	269.	coalescent
170.	blithesome	220.	carcinoma	270.	coaming
171.	bobolink	221.	cardiothoracic	271.	coelacanth
172.	bolero	222.	carotenemia	272.	cognomen
173.	bookmobile	223.	cartilaginous	273.	colectomy
174.	Boolean	224.	caryatidean •	274.	collaborationist •
175.	botcher	225.	catachresis	275.	colloquialism •
176.	bouldering	226.	cataclysmic	276.	collusion •
177.	boulevardier	227.	catadromous •	277.	Colombia
178.	boustrophedon	228.	catastrophic	278.	comfrey
179.	bovine	229.	catechumen	279.	commedia dell'arte
180.	brachial	230.	catholicity, Catholicity	280.	commissariat
181.	brachycephalic	231.	Caucasus	281.	commonality
182.	bravissimo •	232.	cautiousness	282.	compartmentalize
183.	breeches buoy •	233.	cavernicolous •	283.	competitiveness
184.	bric-a-brac	234.	celebrant •	284.	complaisance
185.	broad-spectrum	235.	cellos	285.	complimentary
186.	brogue	236.	cephalometry •	286.	compurgation •
187.	bromide	237.	Cerberus	287.	concede
188.	broncobuster •	238.	cerement •	288.	concierge
189.	brougham	239.	Chablis	289.	conclusiveness
190.	brummagem	240.	chador •	290.	concoct •
191.	bruxism			291.	concourse
192.	burgher	241.	chalet	292.	concussive
193.	burnt sienna	242.	chamfer	293.	confiscatory
194.	bush leaguer	243.	champignon	294.	confutation
195.	byssus	244.	character assassination	295.	congelation
196.	cachet	245.	charcuterie	296.	congeniality
197.	cachexia •	246.	charmeuse •	297.	conjectural
198.	cacomistle	247.	chateau, château	298.	conjugate
199.	cadaverous •	248.	cheekiness	299.	conservatory •
200.	caitiff •	249.	Chickamauga	300.	consonance
		250.	chidingly		

301.	consort •	351.	cyclorama	401.	dichotomy
302.	constraint	352.	cytotoxin •	402.	didactics
303.	consumable	353.	da capo	403.	didymous
304.	contiguous	354.	dactylology	404.	digitize
305.	contradictory	355.	daikon	405.	diphyodont
306.	contraposition	356.	dais	406.	directorate
307.	contraption •	357.	Darjeeling (tea) •	407.	disciplinary
308.	convenable	358.	data processor	408.	disclaimer •
309.	convoke •	359.	davit	409.	dishabille
310.	convolution •	360.	de Stijl	410.	disincentive
311.	coolant	361.	Deccan	411.	disputatious
312.	coquettish •	362.	deceitful	412.	disquisition
313.	coracle	363.	decennium •	413.	dissemblance
314.	cordiform •	364.	decimate	414.	dissimilitude
315.	cornice	365.	decipherable	415.	dissipated •
316.	coroner	366.	décor, decor	416.	dissuasion
317.	corporal •	367.	decrescendo •	417.	distillery •
318.	corpus callosum •	368.	decriminalize	418.	divorcée (female)
319.	corrodible	369.	deficit	419.	Doberman pinscher •
320.	coruscation	370.	definitude	420.	doloroso •
321.	coryza	371.	defraudation	421.	Dominican Republic
322.	cosmetician	372.	deionize •	422.	donnish
323.	cosset	373.	Delacroix •	423.	dosimetry
324.	countercharge	374.	delectation	424.	double-entendre
325.	counterterrorism	375.	delineate •	425.	drachma •
326.	courier	376.	delinquency	426.	draconian •
327.	Cousteau	377.	Delphian	427.	dramatization
328.	covertness •	378.	demagnetize	428.	driftwood
329.	coxswain •	379.	demoiselle	429.	dromedary •
330.	crape myrtle, crepe myrtle	380.	demyelinate •	430.	dryopithecine •
331.	crayfish	381.	dendrology	431.	dubiously
332.	crème de la crème	382.	denticulate	432.	dulcet •
333.	crenation	383.	depauperate •	433.	duteous
334.	criosphinx	384.	depiction •	434.	dyed-in-the-wool
335.	criterion	385.	depoliticize	435.	dysgraphia
336.	criticizer	386.	depositary	436.	dystrophy
337.	cromlech	387.	derangement •	437.	Easter lily
338.	crop-dusting	388.	derisive	438.	eavesdropper
339.	croupier •	389.	desacralize	439.	echocardiograph
340.	croustade	390.	desertification	440.	éclat
341.	cryptanalyze •	391.	desolation	441.	ecophysiology
342.	ctenoid	392.	desuetude	442.	ectomorph •
343.	cucurbit •	393.	detinue	443.	edentulous •
344.	culpable	394.	detonator	444.	edification •
345.	cultrate	395.	detumescence	445.	effervescence
346.	cupidity •	396.	devitrification	446.	effluvium
347.	curtilage •	397.	dharma	447.	effusive
348.	custodial	398.	diablerie	448.	egomaniacal
349.	cybernetics •	399.	dialysis •	449.	eidetic •
350.	cyclamate	400.	diarchy, dyarchy	450.	eidolons

451.	einsteinium	501.	excessively	551.	funambulist
452.	elation	502.	excusatory	552.	furbelow
453.	electorate •	503.	executive privilege	553.	fustigate
454.	elide	504.	exeunt	554.	gadgetry
455.	eligibility	505.	exhumation	555.	Gaelic
456.	eloquence	506.	existentialist •	556.	galatea (fabric) •
457.	emaciated •	507.	exogenous •	557.	gallinipper
458.	emblematic	508.	explicate	558.	galoshes
459.	embrasure •	509.	extemporize	559.	gangrenous
460.	emetic	510.	extensor	560.	garnishee
461.	eminent	511.	extradite •	561.	Garrison finish
462.	empyreal	512.	extrusive	562.	gastrology
463.	enamelware	513.	exuberant	563.	gâteau, gateau (singular) •
464.	encompass	514.	facilitation	564.	gazelle
465.	endocrinology	515.	fact-finding	565.	gazetteer
466.	enfilade	516.	famulus	566.	generalissimo
467.	enigma •	517.	fanaticism	567.	generic •
468.	ensconce	518.	fandango	568.	geniality •
469.	entelechy	519.	farrier	569.	geometricize
470.	enthralment	520.	fascist, Fascist	570.	georgette
471.	entomophagous •	521.	fashionmonger	571.	Gestaltist
472.	entremets •	522.	febrifig	572.	gesticulatory •
473.	entrepôt	523.	feijoada	573.	ghoul •
474.	epicenter	524.	feme sole •	574.	girandole
475.	epidemiology	525.	femoral	575.	glabella
476.	epileptoid •	526.	ferruginous	576.	glamorization
477.	epiphyte	527.	fetlock •	577.	glazier
478.	epistemic	528.	fettuccine Alfredo	578.	gleaner
479.	epithalamion •	529.	fianchetto	579.	globuliferous •
480.	epopee	530.	fiber optics	580.	glutinous •
481.	epoxy	531.	ficus, Ficus	581.	glycerin, glycerine
482.	equestrienne	532.	Fijian •	582.	goatee
483.	equipoise •	533.	filial	583.	grapnel
484.	errantry	534.	finale	584.	gravimetric
485.	escadrille •	535.	fissiped	585.	gregARIOusly •
486.	escapism •	536.	fissure	586.	greige
487.	esoteric	537.	flageolet	587.	grisette
488.	estrangement	538.	fleeciness	588.	gruesomeness
489.	esurient	539.	flocculent	589.	grunion
490.	étagère, etagere	540.	floriated, floreated	590.	guanaco
491.	ethicist	541.	flummery	591.	guesstimate
492.	etiolate	542.	foliicolous	592.	guinea, Guinea •
493.	eulogistic •	543.	forget-me-not	593.	gunite
494.	euonymus, Euonymus	544.	fourragère •	594.	gutta-percha
495.	eureka (interj.)	545.	fourth estate	595.	guyot
496.	eutrophic •	546.	frequent flier (noun)	596.	gypsiferous
497.	evanescent •	547.	frieze	597.	gyre •
498.	evidentiary •	548.	frittata	598.	habdalah, Habdalah
499.	evocative	549.	front-runner, frontrunner	599.	habitat •
500.	ex cathedra •	550.	frugivorous	600.	haboob

601.	hagiocracy	651.	hypostasis	701.	intergalactic
602.	Haitian	652.	hypoxemia •	702.	intermeddle
603.	haj, hajj, hadj	653.	hyssop	703.	interpolate
604.	halogen	654.	ichthyosaur •	704.	intersperse
605.	hamadryad	655.	iconographer	705.	interstitial
606.	Hamite	656.	ideological	706.	intrapsychic •
607.	hanuman	657.	idiopathic	707.	intriguingly
608.	Harare •	658.	idolatrous •	708.	intrusiveness
609.	hauteur •	659.	idyllist	709.	inveigle
610.	hawser	660.	ilex, llex	710.	inveterate
611.	hebetude	661.	illation •	711.	invulnerable
612.	heckelphone	662.	imbricate	712.	iota
613.	heldentenor, Heldentenor	663.	immobile	713.	Iroquois
614.	heliborne •	664.	immortelle	714.	irreconcilable
615.	helminth	665.	immure	715.	irrepressible •
616.	hemistich	666.	immutable	716.	irretrievable
617.	hemoglobin	667.	impermeable •	717.	isolationism •
618.	hemostat •	668.	implacable	718.	isothermal
619.	henbane	669.	implausible •	719.	jabiru, Jabiru
620.	hendiadys	670.	impoverished	720.	jacaranda, Jacaranda
621.	Herefords •	671.	imprimatur	721.	jadeite
622.	hermeneutic	672.	in camera	722.	Japonism •
623.	hero-worship (verb)	673.	in extenso •	723.	jargonize •
624.	herstory	674.	in propria persona	724.	jayhawker, Jayhawker
625.	heteroecious	675.	incarnadine	725.	jerboa
626.	Hindustani	676.	incessantly	726.	Jerusalem
627.	hinterland •	677.	inclemency	727.	Jicarilla •
628.	Hiroshima	678.	incoercible	728.	joe-pye weed
629.	Hispanophile •	679.	indemnification •	729.	John Barleycorn
630.	histrionical	680.	indentation	730.	joinder
631.	hoatzin	681.	indigence	731.	julienne
632.	hollyhock	682.	indignation	732.	kachina
633.	hologynic •	683.	inegalitarian	733.	Kaiserin
634.	holy war, Holy War	684.	inerrancy	734.	kala-azar
635.	homeopathy	685.	inexpressible	735.	kaput, kaputt
636.	Homo erectus	686.	influence peddling	736.	karateist
637.	homophonic	687.	infrangible	737.	kenosis
638.	homotaxis	688.	infrastructure •	738.	Kenya
639.	hoplite	689.	inhibition •	739.	Keogh plan
640.	horology	690.	iniquity •	740.	keynote address
641.	horripilation	691.	injurious	741.	kilowatt-hour
642.	hotelier	692.	inkling •	742.	kinkajou
643.	Hualapai, Walapai	693.	innuendoes	743.	kirigami •
644.	hubris •	694.	insomnia	744.	knotty pine
645.	huevos rancheros	695.	instinctual	745.	knowledgeable
646.	humoresque •	696.	insuperable	746.	Kodiak bear
647.	hydromancy	697.	intaglio •	747.	Kuala Lumpur •
648.	hydrophyte •	698.	intelligencer	748.	lachrymator, lacrimator
649.	hyperinflation	699.	inter nos •	749.	lacinate
650.	hypnopedia •	700.	interdict	750.	laconism •

751.	lacrosse	801.	maim	851.	misanthropy •
752.	lamasery	802.	malacology •	852.	misappropriate
753.	lambent	803.	malapert	853.	misfeasor •
754.	lampoon	804.	malassimilation	854.	misoneism
755.	landgravine	805.	malihini	855.	missilery, missilry
756.	landlubber •	806.	malocclusion •	856.	misspelling
757.	laparoscopy •	807.	Mameluke	857.	moccasin
758.	lasagna, lasagne	808.	manchineel	858.	Mohs scale
759.	latke	809.	mandolin	859.	molluscum •
760.	Laurasia	810.	manifest destiny, Manifest Destiny	860.	mollycoddle
761.	lavabo, Lavabo	811.	manifold	861.	monasterial •
762.	learning-disabled	812.	mantelletta •	862.	monocracy
763.	leatherette •	813.	mantra	863.	monocular
764.	legalese •	814.	mao-tai	864.	monometer
765.	lekvar	815.	marchioness	865.	monopsony
766.	Leonardo da Vinci	816.	mare's nest	866.	Montessorian
767.	leprosy	817.	marinara	867.	moo goo gai pan
768.	Levant morocco •	818.	marital	868.	morion •
769.	levee (embankment)	819.	martinet	869.	morpheme
770.	lexeme	820.	massacred	870.	morphology
771.	licensure	821.	materia medica	871.	most-favored-nation
772.	lichenology •	822.	matzo, matzoh	872.	mud dauber
773.	limnology •	823.	maunder •	873.	mugwumpery
774.	lingonberry	824.	Maupassant	874.	muleta
775.	lipophilic	825.	mbira	875.	multiethnic
776.	liquidambar, Liquidambar	826.	measureless	876.	multilingual •
777.	litheness •	827.	mecca, Mecca	877.	municipalize •
778.	littoral •	828.	medevac	878.	musculoskeletal •
779.	llanos	829.	medulla •	879.	muskmelon
780.	lobelia, Lobelia	830.	Mekong •	880.	myelin sheath
781.	longeron	831.	menial •	881.	myelofibrosis •
782.	lordosis •	832.	meningioma	882.	mystification
783.	Louis Seize	833.	Mennonite	883.	mythography
784.	lucidity	834.	mercerize	884.	nacelle
785.	lumbricoid	835.	mercifulness	885.	nannofossil, nanofossil
786.	luminism, Luminism	836.	mercurialism	886.	napalm
787.	lummox •	837.	Mesolithic	887.	naphtha
788.	lunarscape •	838.	mesquite (tree)	888.	narcolepsy •
789.	lupus erythematosus	839.	metalinguistics •	889.	nasalize
790.	lymphangiography •	840.	metaphysician •	890.	natation •
791.	macaroni	841.	metaplasia •	891.	necessitous
792.	mache, mâche	842.	me-tooism	892.	necropolis •
793.	machinate	843.	metronomic	893.	neoclassicism,
794.	Machmeter •	844.	miasmic •	894.	Neoclassicism
795.	macrocephaly •	845.	microcosm	895.	Neotropical
796.	macron	846.	mid-ocean ridge	896.	nephology
797.	maculation •	847.	mignonette •	897.	Neufchâtel •
798.	Madison Avenue	848.	milliner	898.	neurectomy
799.	magistral	849.	milquetoast •	899.	neurogenetics
800.	Magna Carta, Magna Charta	850.	miniseries	900.	neutralizer •

901.	névé	951.	osculation •	1001.	pekoe •
902.	nexus	952.	Osiris	1002.	pellagrous
903.	niblick	953.	osmatic •	1003.	Peloponnesian
904.	nickelic	954.	ossifrage •	1004.	pencel, pensil
905.	nilgai	955.	osteitis	1005.	pentadactyl •
906.	nodular	956.	ostiary	1006.	Pentateuchal
907.	nolo contendere •	957.	otoscope	1007.	per annum
908.	nom de guerre (singular)	958.	outlander	1008.	per diem
909.	nomology	959.	outpoll	1009.	Percheron •
910.	nonillion	960.	outward-bound	1010.	perdurability
911.	nonplus	961.	oximeter	1011.	perfectibility
912.	nonproliferation	962.	ozonosphere	1012.	periaqueductal
913.	Norgay	963.	paddock •	1013.	perinatal
914.	North Saskatchewan	964.	paillasse, palliasse •	1014.	periodicity
915.	nostrum •	965.	paleobiogeography	1015.	peristyle
916.	nouvelle cuisine	966.	Paleo-Indian	1016.	perpetrator •
917.	Novocain (trademark)	967.	pallor	1017.	persiflage
918.	nudnik, nudnick •	968.	palmatifid	1018.	persuadable
919.	numerologist	969.	palmetto	1019.	pertussis
920.	numinous	970.	panchromatic •	1020.	petrel
921.	oakum	971.	pandemic	1021.	petri dish •
922.	obeah	972.	Pangaea, Pangea	1022.	petrodollars
923.	objet d'art (singular) •	973.	pantoum	1023.	petrography
924.	oblation, Oblation	974.	pantropic	1024.	pharmacopoeia,
925.	oblivious	975.	paper tiger		pharmacopeia •
926.	obsequy •	976.	paper-thin	1025.	phenobarbital
927.	obviate	977.	papilloma	1026.	Philistinism, philistinism
928.	occipital	978.	Paraguay	1027.	philology
929.	Oceania •	979.	paralegal	1028.	philoprogenitive
930.	ochlophobia •	980.	paramatta, parramatta	1029.	phlebosclerosis
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931.	ocotillo •	981.	parasail		
932.	odium	982.	parasiticide	1031.	photogenic
933.	odontoblast	983.	parfait	1032.	photopia
934.	okapi	984.	parotid	1033.	photosynthesis
935.	oleander •	985.	paroxysm	1034.	phylum •
936.	oleograph •	986.	parsimoniousness •	1035.	phytopathology
937.	oligopoly •	987.	participial	1036.	pilaster
938.	ombudswoman	988.	parvenu	1037.	piragua
939.	omnidirectional	989.	passado	1038.	pis aller
940.	oneiromancy	990.	passementerie	1039.	pizzeria
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941.	onomastics •	991.	pastiche		
942.	oolong	992.	pastrami •	1041.	planisphere
943.	operculum	993.	pathognomonic •	1042.	platitudinous •
944.	optic chiasma	994.	patriarchal	1043.	pleochroism •
945.	opuscule •	995.	payola	1044.	plummeting
946.	orangewood	996.	pearlescent	1045.	pneumatometer •
947.	ordinarily	997.	peau de soie •	1046.	pneumatophore
948.	ordnance	998.	pecorino	1047.	point-device
949.	ogeny •	999.	pedantry •	1048.	polemic
950.	orthographist	1000.	pedestrianize	1049.	polymath
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1051.	polyneuritis	1101.	quartziferous •	1151.	rescission •
1052.	Popocatépetl	1102.	quasi	1152.	respiration
1053.	poriferous	1103.	quebracho	1153.	respondent •
1054.	portcullis •	1104.	quelea, Quelea	1154.	retinopathic
1055.	postgraduate	1105.	quenelle •	1155.	retroussé
1056.	posttraumatic	1106.	quiche	1156.	revelatory •
1057.	pouncet box	1107.	quinella	1157.	revengeful
1058.	praxis •	1108.	Quinquagesima	1158.	reversionary
1059.	precancerous	1109.	quintain	1159.	revitalize •
1060.	precedence	1110.	radioactive	1160.	rhinoscopy
1061.	precipice •	1111.	raffish	1161.	rhizophagous
1062.	precocial	1112.	raglan	1162.	rhythmic
1063.	predation •	1113.	ragout	1163.	ricin
1064.	preeminent, pre-eminent	1114.	ralliform	1164.	rictus
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1066.	prelacy	1116.	rapacious •	1166.	risqué •
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1070.	prima ballerina	1120.	ratiné	1170.	roentgenology
1071.	primeval •	1121.	ratite	1171.	roggeries
1072.	procaine	1122.	ravener •	1172.	rookery
1073.	procumbent	1123.	read-only memory	1173.	Rorschach test
1074.	progressivity	1124.	reaffirmation	1174.	rostrum
1075.	prolegomenon	1125.	rebec, rebeck	1175.	roulade
1076.	prologue, prolog (introduction)	1126.	recherché •	1176.	routinize •
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1078.	propagate	1128.	recollection	1178.	rubiginous •
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1080.	prophecy	1130.	recrimination	1180.	runaround
1081.	propitiate	1131.	rectilinear	1181.	runnel •
1082.	prorogue •	1132.	redolent •	1182.	Runnymede
1083.	protagonist •	1133.	redshirt	1183.	Russianize
1084.	protégée (female)	1134.	reduplicate	1184.	rutilant
1085.	protractive •	1135.	refutation	1185.	sackbut
1086.	proviso	1136.	regale	1186.	sacrilegious
1087.	prudential	1137.	reincarnation •	1187.	sacristan
1088.	Prudhoe Bay	1138.	reinstatement	1188.	saddlery
1089.	ptarmigan	1139.	reinvigorate	1189.	Saigon •
1090.	publicist	1140.	releasable	1190.	salinometer •
1091.	pugnacity •	1141.	relegate	1191.	salmonberry
1092.	pulmonary	1142.	reliquary	1192.	saltatory
1093.	purblind	1143.	renegotiate	1193.	salvable
1094.	purchasable	1144.	reparable	1194.	Salvationist, salvationist (noun)
1095.	purgatory •	1145.	repetition	1195.	samovar
1096.	putsch, Putsch	1146.	repleviable	1196.	sanctified •
1097.	pyrrhic •	1147.	repudiate	1197.	sanguicolous •
1098.	Q-Tip, Q-tip (trademark)	1148.	requiem, Requiem	1198.	Saracen
1099.	quadripartite	1149.	res judicata	1199.	sarcenet
1100.	quantifiable	1150.	reschedule	1200.	sarsaparilla •

1201.	sashimi	1251.	sinuosity	1301.	subgenre •
1202.	satisfiable	1252.	siphon, syphon	1302.	subsidence
1203.	saturnalia, Saturnalia	1253.	situs inversus	1303.	subterranean •
1204.	saunter	1254.	skedaddle	1304.	sufferable •
1205.	scaloppine, scaloppini	1255.	skyrocket •	1305.	suffocation
1206.	Scandinavian	1256.	sleaziness	1306.	sullenness
1207.	scavenger	1257.	sledgehammer	1307.	sultanate
1208.	scenography •	1258.	sloganize	1308.	supercollider
1209.	schefflera, Schefflera	1259.	sloops of war	1309.	superfecta
1210.	schizoaffectionate	1260.	sluiced	1310.	supernal
1211.	schuss •	1261.	sodality •	1311.	suppliant
1212.	schwa	1262.	soffit •	1312.	suppurate •
1213.	scission •	1263.	soi-disant	1313.	supremacist
1214.	Scotticism	1264.	solidarity	1314.	surculose
1215.	scrutinizing	1265.	solleret •	1315.	surrealism •
1216.	scuba diver	1266.	somnolence	1316.	surrogate
1217.	secessionist	1267.	sonorous	1317.	suspended animation
1218.	securitize	1268.	sophistry	1318.	suttee, sati
1219.	seditious •	1269.	sortation	1319.	suture
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1227.	senility	1277.	spina bifida	1327.	synthesize
1228.	sententia	1278.	spoliation	1328.	syringe
1229.	sepoy	1279.	spondylitis	1329.	tabernacle, Tabernacle
1230.	sequela	1280.	sporran	1330.	table d'hôte
1231.	sergeant at arms	1281.	squint-eyed	1331.	tachymeter •
1232.	serodiagnosis	1282.	staid •	1332.	Tahitian
1233.	serviceable	1283.	stalactite •	1333.	taiga •
1234.	setiform	1284.	stapes •	1334.	talkathon
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1236.	sgraffito	1286.	steeplejack	1336.	tam-o'-shanter
1237.	shamanism	1287.	stereopticon •	1337.	tanager
1238.	shekel	1288.	stigmata	1338.	tarantella •
1239.	shenanigan	1289.	stipulate (verb)	1339.	tarpaulin •
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1244.	sienna •	1294.	stratagem	1344.	telegenic
1245.	silesia, Silesia	1295.	strenuously	1345.	tempeh
1246.	silhouette	1296.	stupefaction •	1346.	tenaculum •
1247.	simony	1297.	stupendously	1347.	tentacular
1248.	sine qua non	1298.	stylistics •	1348.	teocalli
1249.	singularly	1299.	suasive	1349.	tercentenary •
1250.	Sinology •	1300.	subcomponent	1350.	termagant

1351.	Terpsichore, terpsichore	1401.	ultramontane, Ultramontane •	1451.	vivacity
1352.	terra incognita	1402.	umiak, oomiak	1452.	volition
1353.	terrifying	1403.	umlaut	1453.	volte-face •
1354.	tetralogy of Fallot •	1404.	unanimity	1454.	vorlage
1355.	thalassocracy	1405.	underreact	1455.	vulgate, Vulgate
1356.	thalidomide	1406.	unelectable	1456.	vulnerability
1357.	theodicy	1407.	unfeigned	1457.	Wagnerian •
1358.	theologian	1408.	ungrammatical	1458.	wallaroo
1359.	theomachy	1409.	ungual	1459.	wantonness
1360.	thoracotomy	1410.	unitive	1460.	wardenry
1361.	thoroughfare	1411.	unleavened	1461.	watered-down
1362.	thurible •	1412.	unmeant	1462.	water-soluble
1363.	Tiffany glass	1413.	unperturbed	1463.	wedeln
1364.	timbale	1414.	unruliest	1464.	Weimaraner
1365.	timpanist, tympanist	1415.	unscathed	1465.	whet
1366.	Tisiphone	1416.	unsolicited	1466.	whirlybird •
1367.	T-maze	1417.	uppercase •	1467.	whortleberry
1368.	tokonomia •	1418.	Uto-Aztecán	1468.	widow's walk
1369.	Tolkien	1419.	vacuous •	1469.	wildcatter
1370.	tonsillotomy	1420.	vagueness	1470.	windjammer •
1371.	toque	1421.	Vaishnava	1471.	wizardry •
1372.	Torah, torah	1422.	valediction	1472.	wonk
1373.	torquate	1423.	valueless	1473.	workaholic
1374.	tostada •	1424.	Vandyke beard	1474.	Wounded Knee
1375.	touché •	1425.	vapid •	1475.	wristlock
1376.	tractable	1426.	vaquero	1476.	writer's block
1377.	tramontane	1427.	variola	1477.	xanthan gum
1378.	transalpine •	1428.	varlet	1478.	xenobiotic
1379.	transdermal	1429.	vaunted	1479.	xerarch
1380.	transfiguration, Transfiguration	1430.	vehicular	1480.	xerophilous
1381.	transpontine •	1431.	velouté •	1481.	xerothermic
1382.	transversal	1432.	venality	1482.	x-radiation
1383.	triad	1433.	veneration	1483.	yataghan, yatagan
1384.	triceratops, Triceratops	1434.	venetian blue	1484.	yea-sayer
1385.	triclinium	1435.	veritable	1485.	Yemeni
1386.	triennial	1436.	verminous	1486.	Yggdrasil, Ygdrasil •
1387.	triolet •	1437.	verrucose	1487.	yogurt, yoghurt, yoghourt
1388.	triplicate	1438.	vestrywoman	1488.	yttrium
1389.	tritium •	1439.	vibrato	1489.	yucca, Yucca
1390.	troubadour	1440.	vicereine	1490.	zazen
1391.	trudgen, trudgeon	1441.	viciousness	1491.	zebrane
1392.	truncated	1442.	Vidalia onion	1492.	Zend-Avesta
1393.	tu quoque	1443.	Viennese	1493.	zero-sum game
1394.	tumescence •	1444.	vinaigrette	1494.	zodiac
1395.	tumultuous	1445.	viniculture	1495.	zoogenic
1396.	Turkmenistan	1446.	virescence	1496.	zorille, zoril
1397.	tumeric	1447.	virtually	1497.	zoysia, Zoysia
1398.	tutorial	1448.	vis-à-vis	1498.	Zugunruhe
1399.	typhoid fever	1449.	vitiate •	1499.	zygomorphic
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# Sample Test Questions

## University Interscholastic League Spelling and Vocabulary Part I

Questions 1-15 test your ability to recognize and correct misspelled words. From each of the 15 sets, select the one misspelled entry, then write it correctly spelled in the corresponding blank on your answer sheet. Questions 16-30 test your knowledge of the meanings and origins of words. For each sentence, select the best answer; then, using a printed capital letter, write it in the corresponding blank on your answer sheet. You will have 15 minutes to complete questions 1-30, which are worth 1 point each. Credit will be given ONLY for answers placed on your answer sheet.

### Proofreading: 15 Points

7. coup d'état	barquantine	samaritan	uncontrollable	melisma
8. epilog	Pacification	sequined	homo sapien	antitussive
9. keeshound	aigret	Prohibitionist	waterloo	everyman
10. gaff	louvre	Sybaritic	re-educate	Cancun
11. arugula	bon vivant	chancel	Naragannset	cachepot

### Vocabulary: 15 Points

16. Because of the hostile feelings between the two families, Romeo and Juliet's relationship was doomed \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in petto      B. al dente      C. passim      D. hoi polloi      E. ad initio
17. When choosing plants with which to landscape our Texas backyard, we chose the hardy native \_\_\_\_\_ trees and shrubs rather than any of the tropical varieties.  
A. granivorous      B. laniferous      C. mycophagous      D. autochthonous      E. conchoidal
18. The word "\_\_\_\_\_" likely comes from both the French and Greek, meaning "agent of fine letters."  
A. agent provocateur      B. belletrist      C. rosarian      D. brevet      E. Sephardi
19. France is often considered a Catholic country, but one influential French group, the \_\_\_\_\_, were Protestant.  
A. Andalusians      B. Sephardi      C. Serbo-Croats      D. Huguenots      E. Gnostics
20. The trait of left-handedness in both twins is considered a rare \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. concordance      B. appurtenance      C. globalism      D. obeisance      E. senectitude

# Sample Answer Sheet Part I

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*Answer Sheet for Part I*  
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## Sample Answer Sheet Part II, III

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