

Do Not Open Your Test Until You Are Told To Begin.

University Interscholastic League

Spelling and Vocabulary

Part I

DISTRICT Meet 2017-18

Directions:

Part I contains 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*. You will have **15 minutes** to complete the 30 questions that comprise Part I.

Contestant number: _____

For Contest Director use:

Part I Score _____

+ Part II Score _____

(The Tie Breaker is not graded unless one or more ties exist, and then only the papers of the tied contestants are scored.)

= TOTAL SCORE _____

Tie Breaker Score _____

(Important: Two graders should check the scores to ensure accuracy.)

Scratch Paper

Contestant Number _____

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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.**

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| 1. carotinoid | jehad | praxiology | verderor | scree |
| 2. Cinco de Mayo | distaff side | lobster Thermador | en passant | Euromarket |
| 3. Gore-Tex | pre-emptive | nuclear-free zone | Portugese-man-of-war | self-incrimination |
| 4. libelous | allotee | gallimaufry | mellifluous | rubella |
| 5. gardant | sculpin | empennidge | saxifrage | undergird |
| 6. Free Mason | Dostoevski | Grendel | Kuwait | Perseid |
| 7. sans-culotte | carbon-14 dating | de-escalate | bullet-proof | eyes-only |
| 8. Gadsden Purchase | portmanteau word | Wilderness Road | Manx Woman | Babbitt metal |
| 9. gram-negative | heavy-handed | pseudo-event | labor-intensive | arch-diosece |
| 10. millepede | spiraea | yaupon | scarrify | kefir |
| 11. cattarh | egis | cinquain | detritus | ihram |
| 12. Nez Perce | Hedjaz | Sokotra | Veda | Yuchi |
| 13. tours de force | ovo-lacto-vegetarian | retinitis pigmentosa | soul-searching | modus operandi |
| 14. marquee | timbre | effendi | viaticum | zylograph |
| 15. wind shear | exscind | limacine | amendate | meroplankton |

16. The word “_____” originated from the Greek and meant “to cheat.”
- A. apatetic B. repine C. levitate D. icosahedron E. savagery
17. The eremitic mountain man often felt like a hunted, _____ animal, afraid of his own shadow.
- A. caseous B. craven C. dubitable D. impious E. lacertilian
18. The big sister was often guilty of _____ (ing) her little brother, bullying him to do her bidding.
- A. eschew B. transmute C. deploy D. hector E. necessitate
19. The origin of “_____” is “bad sound.”
- A. cacophonous B. con spirito C. cholera D. pianissimo E. songstress
20. Before submitting his college entrance essay, the high school senior wisely _____ much of the text, deleting all unnecessary wording.
- A. deglamorized B. tessellated C. redacted D. fractionalized E. amalgamated
21. “A single row” is likely the original meaning of _____.
- A. continuum B. epicycloid C. monostich D. legist E. postprandial
22. Looking absolutely _____ in a shiny silver and white spandex jumpsuit, Faith Hill wowed her audience during the Soul2Soul concert in Nashville last summer.
- A. Panglossian B. saturnine C. parsimonious D. resplendent E. peccant
23. The word “_____” originated from the Italian and meant “joke.”
- A. scherzo B. veloce C. quadrumanous D. stringendo E. trattoria
24. The complex terminology known and understood by the English professors was completely puzzling to the unlearned_____.
- A. laity B. peonage C. haruspex D. rigadon E. comestibles
25. The churchgoers grew weary as the new minister, in an effort to impress his congregation, _____ (d) well past lunchtime.
- A. anathematize B. condole C. peregrine D. expatiate E. spangle
26. Because of its eerie appearance and noxious odors, many ancients believed that _____ was the entrance to hell itself.
- A. Armageddon B. Karachi C. Guyana D. Andorra E. Averno

27. The dentist warned his lackadaisical patient that if she didn't practice better oral hygiene, she would be susceptible to _____.

- A. Riggs' disease B. nux vomica C. mycetoma D. enteritis E. myasthenia

28. After experiencing a frightening African _____ while hiking along the coast, I can readily understand how its possible origin was "evil thing."

- A. harmattan B. Kaddish C. simulacrum D. lapis lazuli E. rara avis

29. Having lived for many years in the sun-deprived country of Sweden, our pallid visitor could be described as a_____.

- A. chiffonier B. pheromone C. wastrel D. zygodactyl E. whey-face

30. Seasoned with olive oil and lemon juice, the air-dried _____ served at the upscale restaurant was delectable.

- A. baguette B. cassoulet C. bresaola D. manicotti E. briarroot

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District Meet Part I Key

*Capitalization required

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| 1. carotenoid | 16. A |
| 2. lobster thermidor | 17. B |
| 3. <u>Portuguese</u> man-of-war | 18. D |
| 4. allottee | 19. A |
| 5. empennage | 20. C |
| 6. freemason, <u>Freemason</u> | 21. C |
| 7. bulletproof | 22. D |
| 8. <u>Manxwoman</u> | 23. A |
| 9. archdiocese | 24. A |
| 10. scarify | 25. D |
| 11. catarrh | 26. E |
| 12. <u>Socotra</u> | 27. A |
| 13. ovolactovegetarian, ovo-lacto vegetarian | 28. A |
| 14. xylograph | 29. E |
| 15. emendate | 30. C |

+University Interscholastic League Spelling 2017-2018 DISTRICT Meet Part II & III Key

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Outside Word *

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1. adjuvant*	26. <u>Diogenes</u>	51. patelliform	Part III Tiebreaker
2. <u>Luddite</u>	27. chambray*	52. borzoi	1. bijouterie
3. impasse	28. perestroika	53. paraselene	2. caudate
4. calipash	29. ratatouille	54. wainscot*	3. lucubrate
5. <u>Red Cloud</u>	30. erudite	55. <u>Cabeza de Vaca</u>	4. preterition
6. jejunum	31. nociceptor	56. parhelion	5. bradycardia
7. pasodoble, paso doble*	32. vetiver	57. asphodel	6. iconoclastic*
8. baldachin	33. rouleau	58. langlauf	7. chatelaine
9. pulsar	34. banausic*	59. epee, épée*	8. olivaceous
10. <u>Gehenna</u>	35. gigot	60. orthotics	9. <u>Jekyll</u> and <u>Hyde</u>
11. sassaby	36. subtilize	61. <u>Tishri</u>	10. acetaminophen*
12. façade, facade*	37. ampullae	62. imputable	11. gurus
13. rescind	38. whipstall	63. nimiety	12. saliferous
14. newel	39. jubilee, (J)	64. <u>Thames</u> *	13. ululate*
15. aspidistra	40. millesimal	65. synod	14. mortmain
16. warrantee	41. confabulate*	66. peccary	15. surcingle
17. shoot-‘em-up*	42. inhabitable	67. chicanery	16. demijohn
18. tenuto	43. recidivist	68. mestiza	17. countercoup
19. mongering	44. dervish	69. turpitude	18. snollygoster
20. cochlea	45. starets	70. hieratic*	19. kaleidoscope*
21. au pair	46. bookkeeping		20. zydeco
22. salver	47. macédoine		
23. <u>Elysian</u>	48. hue and cry*		
24. decemvir	49. muliebrity		
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