

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

University Interscholastic League

Spelling and Vocabulary

Part I

DISTRICT Meet 2023-24

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.

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

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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. quetzals | rectrices | shillalagh | tridactyly | zoftig |
| 2. mythopoeia | litterateur | ravigotte | judgemental | prestidigitation |
| 3. cupolaed | guerdoned | divvied | segued | salaammed |
| 4. inseperable | consumable | expiable | irreparably | transmissible |
| 5. abseil | besiegement | Lorelei | muliebrity | Posiedon |
| 6. exigent | charletan | miffy | neuroblastoma | pericardiac |
| 7. Rabelaisian | Ciceronian | Sophoclian | Laotian | Precambrian |
| 8. coups de main | cordons bleus | differentiae | gestalten | jambeaus |
| 9. mise en scène | Glühwien | piña cloth | pâtés de foie gras | champlevé |
| 10. foursquarely | quincuncially | sarcasticly | anachronously | tenurially |
| 11. hierarchal | enclisis | medullae oblongatae | rondeaux | mahimahi |
| 12. Sedarim | sous-chefs | stillettoes | subsumable | sialorrhoea |
| 13. diffidence | effluence | alkalescence | incipience | perpetuence |
| 14. sub-Saharan | mangel-wurzel | worst-case | flim-flam | derring-do |
| 15. pampian | ogreish | plebeian | valetudinarian | cliquish |

16. The word “ametropia” contains an example of a(n) _____.
 A. equitation B. kylix C. panjandrum D. alpha privative E. talaria
17. A heavy concentration of _____ can be found on university campuses.
 A. clerisy B. apparatchik C. encomiasts D. locavores E. oribi
18. The morphemes of a language considered as a group is called a(n)_____.
 A. cerotype B. definiens C. lexicon D. alcazar E. neutrino
19. “Mélange” is a synonym for “_____.”
 A. continuum B. salmagundi C. Hegelianism
 D. papillon E. eurythmy
20. A miracle worker is another name for a _____.
 A. Magnificat B. potentate C. despot
 D. sycophant E. thaumaturge
21. We were mesmerized by the _____ of the Last Supper performed by members of our church.
 A. osso buco B. gonfalonier C. tableau vivant
 D. ceilidh E. Mescalero
22. The word “_____” originated from a Spanish word meaning “dregs.”
 A. adipocere B. kerygma C. sesterce D. mozo E. bagasse
23. Donald Trump’s now-famous _____, “Make America Great Again,” was used in political speeches by Bill Clinton in 1991.
 A. exegesis B. palinode C. catchword D. traducianism E. anaglyph
24. Perhaps the most famous _____ story in Greek mythology is the tale of Hades’ abduction of Demeter’s young daughter Persephone.
 A. baronial B. rupicolous C. theological
 D. philanthropic E. chthonic
25. Another name for “_____” is “Saint Anthony’s fire.”
 A. dyspepsia B. cretinism C. erysipelas D. anthrax E. locum tenens

26. The community's new city manager was well versed in _____.
- A. anemochory B. ekistics C. capacitance
D. ecumenism E. sortilege
27. "To strike with lightning" is the Middle English origin of "_____."
- A. fulminate B. ozonize C. elutriate D. strafe E. remand
28. Because Jake is so _____, asking him to keep a secret is virtually impossible.
- A. perspicuous B. garrulous C. rampageous D. interminable E. reticent
29. The pope's _____ statement was considered by all as infallible church law.
- A. veloce B. cravenly C. ab initio D. ex cathedra E. in vacuo
30. During their poetry unit, the students were surprised at how hard it was to create a meaningful _____.
- A. tuatara B. incantation C. monostich D. sinfonietta E. polonaise

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District Meet Part I Key

*Capitalization required

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| 1. shillelagh, shillalah | 16. D |
| 2. judgmental | 17. A |
| 3. salaamed | 18. C |
| 4. inseparable | 19. B |
| 5. Poseidon | 20. E |
| 6. charlatan | 21. C |
| 7. Sophoclean | 22. E |
| 8. jambeaux | 23. C |
| 9. Glühwein | 24. E |
| 10. sarcastically | 25. C |
| 11. mahi mahi, mahi-mahi | 26. B |
| 12. stilettos, stilettos | 27. A |
| 13. perpetuance | 28. B |
| 14. flimflam | 29. D |
| 15. pampean, Pampean | 30. C |

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(Fold on lines between columns to facilitate scoring.)

*Outside Word **

Capitalization Required

1. nullah	26. <u>Olivier</u>	51. panada	Part III Tiebreaker
2. succinct	27. tessellate*	52. renouncement	1. connate
3. diphthongize*	28. chemin de fer	53. espial	2. wayfarer
4. replevin	29. leporine	54. cantillate*	3. pococurante
5. prosy	30. cadential	55. en route	4. reggae*
6. scabrous	31. rocambole	56. anathema	5. fluorosis
7. gnomon*	32. hominid*	57. knurl	6. detritus
8. agnosticism	33. armoire	58. filiopietistic	7. wrathfulness
9. euphonicly	34. blastocoelic	59. brume*	8. phlogiston*
10. carom	35. posole, pozole*	60. charabanc	9. brouhaha
11. hamartia	36. kuchen	61. pariah	10. encephalon
12. iatrogenic*	37. marmoset	62. hastate	11. antipodal
13. <u>Farsi</u>	38. preemptive	63. plasminogen	12. charley horse*
14. hussar	39. marquee	64. vaticinate*	13. morphallaxis
15. duumvirate	40. aegis, egis*	65. foofaraw	14. percutaneous
16. plantar nerve*	41. <u>Behemoth</u>	66. heist	15. wind shear
17. hebdomadal	42. cybercafe	67. auslander	16. biogenous
18. pixel	43. variolate	68. buccal	17. jardinière
19. medaka	44. triable	69. sulfonylurea*	18. <u>Robespierre</u>
20. <u>Copán</u>	45. naphtha	70. archconservative	19. dolma*
21. nonfeasance	46. viscid*		20. onchocerciasis
22. cantrip*	47. satsuma		
23. orlop	48. pueblos		
24. jaboticaba	49. sic passim		
25. harlequin	50. recused		