

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

University Interscholastic League

Spelling and Vocabulary

Part I

REGIONAL 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.

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

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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. trompe l'oeils | banderilleros | libretti | chevaux-de-frise | fableaus |
| 2. Ping-Pong | eyes-only | hero-worship | rose-colored | theatre-in-the-round |
| 3. rogue's gallery | worm's-eye view | raisons d'être | printer's devil | pa'anga |
| 4. Omar Khayyam | Côte d'Azur | Lag b'Omer | Kierkegaard | Dhaulagiri |
| 5. didactically | crestfallenly | gauchely | metallurgicly | hypostatically |
| 6. aurorae borealises | micrococci | oceanaria | panettoni | condominia |
| 7. multi-stage | one-upsmanship | role-playing | self-fulfilling | window-shopping |
| 8. carpal tunnel | loose leaf | slush fund | deficit spending | glen plaid |
| 9. perfectible | deflectible | risible | tangibility | fungible |
| 10. Nez Percés | fleurs-de-lys | luger | mots justes | reichmarks |
| 11. sword of Damocles | | Saban vaccine | | Metonic cycle |
| | oysters Rockefeller | | Schick test | |
| 12. vahine | Yamasi | dicot | rinkhals | Negeb |
| 13. cinereous | hemisemidemiquaver | fascicle | zanana | eczema |
| 14. reprieve | terreplien | kaleidoscope | surfeiter | blitzkrieg |

15. Cabeza da Vaca Hephaestus Sturm und Drang Decalog Talmud
16. "To promulgate" means the same as "to _____."
- A. disseminate B. transfigure C. ensconce D. decorticate E. routinize
17. Bishops of the ancient church were accused of _____ as they often sold positions of authority.
- A. barratry B. recidivism C. pleonasm
D. magnanimity E. monochasia
18. The word "_____" was originally a trademark.
- A. grommet B. lambda C. ao dai D. linoleum E. consortium
19. Fish Week, held on many university campuses, is a time of _____ freshmen on the facts and lore of their school.
- A. expatiating B. stigmatizing C. levitating
D. eschewing E. indoctrinating
20. "_____" originated from the Italian word for "joke."
- A. Beccafico B. Javelina C. Scherzo D. Trattoria E. Brevet
21. Because he appeared to talk to himself, the boss earned the _____ of "Mumbles".
- A. breviary B. horologe C. macaque D. quodlibet E. sobriquet
22. Insipid responses, such as "duh" or "whatever", are considered by many to be _____.
- A. vapid B. gustatory C. moribund D. draconian E. rasorial
23. Many of those participating in the January 6 attack on the U. S. Capital are either in jail or are living in _____.
- A. Karachi B. Sri Lanka C. Riyadh D. Coventry E. Arikara
24. Did you realize that _____ was formerly used as a treatment for leukemia?
- A. urethane B. bdellium C. laparoscopy D. parthenocarpy E. thyrsus
25. San Francisco is famous for its cable cars, or _____.
- A. cuestas B. rebuses C. hoopoes D. telphers E. causeries

26. In order to heckle their English teacher, students would use such _____(s) as split infinitives and double negatives.

- A. solecism B. aphonia C. derailleur D. epicurism E. picaroon

27. During his recent trial, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton _____(ly) held to his innocence; he was unyielding in his response to the charges.

- A. resplendent B. sedulous C. decumbent D. pertinaceous E. mazzard

28. The American flag is an outstanding _____ symbolizing freedom for all people.

- A. oriflamme B. aiguille C. mecopteran D. fontanel E. paradrop

29. A synonym for “_____” is “makeshift.”

- A. nidifigous B. sclerotic C. dulcet
D. centesimal E. extemporaneous

30. Instead of exerting his military might, the general responded in a surprisingly _____ manner.

- A. pecuniary B. tenable C. impuissant D. umbonate E. eutrophic

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Regional Meet Part I Key

*Capitalization required

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| 1. fabliaux | 16. A |
| 2. theater-in-the-round | 17. A |
| 3. rogues' gallery | 18. D |
| 4. Omar Khayyám | 19. E |
| 5. metallurgically | 20. C |
| 6. aurora borealises, aurorae borealis | 21. E |
| 7. multistage | 22. A |
| 8. loose-leaf | 23. D |
| 9. deflectable | 24. A |
| 10. reichsmark, reichsmarks | 25. D |
| 11. Sabin vaccine | 26. A |
| 12. Yamasee, Yamasees | 27. D |
| 13. hemidemisemiquaver | 28. A |
| 14. terreplein | 29. E |
| 15. Cabeza de Vaca | 30. C |

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(Fold on lines between columns to facilitate scoring.)

*Outside Word **

Capitalization Required

1. mutagen	26. sculpin	51. tutelary	Part III Tiebreaker
2. surculose	27. verjuice	52. pachisi	1. catholicon
3. krumkake*	28. haustellum	53. flokati*	2. scilicet
4. elegiac stanza	29. brattice*	54. aqueduct	3. petit point
5. internuncio	30. irreproachable	55. sluicing	4. strychnine
6. <u>Somaliland</u>	31. pas de quatre	56. cockatrice	5. ensorcel, ensorcell*
7. ideologue	32. <u>Boolean</u>	57. nouvelle vague	6. ricocheted
8. rathskeller*	33. in camera	58. inconvertible	7. thixotropy
9. <u>Hermetic</u> , (h)	34. je ne sais quoi	59. molybdenum	8. rancorous
10. cirrhotic	35. porphyry*	60. apastron*	9. praseodymium
11. estoppel	36. spumoni, spumone	61. obliquely	10. rhotic*
12. ankh*	37. crocheted	62. <u>Port-au-Prince</u>	11. colcannon*
13. ophiophagous	38. oxbow	63. savant	12. <u>Soave</u>
14. favella	39. urticant	64. aikido	13. religiosity
15. khamsin	40. io moth	65. <u>Polaris</u>	14. unkennel
16. inspissate*	41. gouache*	66. fainéant	15. imprimis
17. lamasery	42. <u>Ouachita Mountains</u>	67. asphodel	16. tachypnea
18. beau geste	43. celiac, coeliac	68. contrariety	17. pruinose*
19. levanter	44. anthesis	69. mezzaluna*	18. bowdlerize
20. excimer	45. phlox	70. eelpout	19. spermaceti
21. cenote*	46. fichu*		20. altricial
22. verditer	47. tessitura		
23. chersonese	48. accession		
24. bobèche*	49. vexillary*		
25. lyricist	50. prime mover		