

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

**University Interscholastic League**

**Spelling and Vocabulary**

**Part I**

**REGIONAL Meet 2024-25**

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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**REGIONAL Meet**  
**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.**

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| 1. lutfisk                  | archeopteryx    | sibylic              | wistaria          | daguerreotypy     |
| 2. pari-mutuel              |                 | daring-do            |                   | gilt-edge         |
|                             | off-the-record  |                      | president-elect   |                   |
| 3. Pompeiian                | vaudvillian     | achondroplastic      | Sabbatic          | Dantean           |
| 4. Alzheimer's disease      |                 | woolsorter's disease |                   | Caisson's disease |
|                             | Crohn's disease |                      | Tay-Sachs disease |                   |
| 5. circumscribable          | incompatability | deducible            | fatigability      | mutable           |
| 6. anopheline               | poullard        | mockumentary         | bacteriophagic    | kameez            |
| 7. Eremurus                 | Sousaphone      | Tappan Zee           | Uitlander         | Waziristan        |
| 8. washateria               | refugia         | laundromat           | tumulus           | cinerarium        |
| 9. intransigent             | demursal        | parve                | shendyt           | espalier          |
| 10. carcinogenic            | leukocytotic    | oxytoxic             | actinomycotic     | catoptric         |
| 11. martingal               | portabella      | exuvia               | fluky             | ihram             |
| 12. numina                  | eurytherm       | pachytene            | centripedal       | jejuna            |
| 13. coronary-bypass surgery |                 | screaming meemies    |                   | wordsmith         |
|                             | zero-defect     |                      | atamasco lily     |                   |

14. calqueing                                  moroseness                                  pastureage  
quadruplicately                                  adventuresome
15. piraña                                  Boötes                                  cui-ui                                  meunière                                  aperçu
16. A \_\_\_\_\_ is one who displays ordinary or undistinguished qualities.  
A. Visigoth      B. panegyrist      C. rhetorician      D. samizdat      E. mediocrity
17. Another name for \_\_\_\_\_ is infantile paralysis.  
A. anaphylaxis                                  B. granuloma                                  C. poliomyelitis  
D. hemangioma                                  E. mydriasis
18. Which of the following might be found in a Parisian bakery?  
A. au courant      B. bouillabaisse      C. avoirdupois      D. massé      E. dacquoise
19. One could be described as \_\_\_\_\_ if he acts in a rash or foolhardy manner.  
A. credulous      B. unmitigated      C. roborant      D. larcenous      E. quixotical
20. The word “\_\_\_\_\_” was coined by Robert Link.  
A. boondoggle      B. epergne      C. aileron      D. tarot      E. retrovirus
21. On September 8, 1900, a hurricane struck Galveston Island, which led to a \_\_\_\_\_ that cost 8,000 people their lives.  
A. debacle      B. catarrh      C. excrescence      D. xanthoma      E. anthropometry
22. \_\_\_\_\_ was an important trading settlement and also a center for learning.  
A. Andorra      B. Miletus      C. Kirkuk      D. Auckland      E. Creüsa
23. “Blind in one eye” is the original meaning of \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. semiopaque      B. louche      C. tenebrous      D. apprehensible      E. vulpine
24. Using a rotary phone is considered to be an obsolete, \_\_\_\_\_ practice.  
A. improvident      B. epigrammatic      C. saltatorial      D. efferent      E. Noachian

25. "Let him beware" is the origin of the word "\_\_\_\_\_".

- A. languet      B. caveat      C. paravane      D. karma      E. xerosis

26. The origin of \_\_\_\_ is "to throw."

- A. paltry      B. invariable      C. kendo      D. jeté      E. homiletics

27. An important theological concept, a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ means that God desires to be present with humanity.

- A. amperage      B. condonation      C. malediction      D. theophany      E. gourami

28. The Greek origin of the word "\_\_\_\_\_" is "song".

- A. ritornello      B. odeum      C. maraca      D. antinome      E. simpatico

29. Any of the 12 peers of Charlemagne's court was a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. paladin      B. sommelier      C. virago      D. legist      E. deportee

30. Mbabane is the capital of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Benghazi      B. Indonesia      C. Monaco      D. Swaziland      E. Monticello

**University Interscholastic League Spelling and Vocabulary 2024-25**  
**Regional Meet Part I Key**

\*Capitalization required

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|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1. archaeopteryx, (A)       | 16. E |
| 2. derring-do               | 17. C |
| 3. vaudevillian             | 18. E |
| 4. caisson disease          | 19. E |
| 5. incompatibility          | 20. A |
| 6. poulard, poularde        | 21. A |
| 7. sousaphone               | 22. B |
| 8. washeteria               | 23. B |
| 9. demersal                 | 24. E |
| 10. oxytocic                | 25. B |
| 11. exuviae                 | 26. D |
| 12. centripetal             | 27. D |
| 13. coronary bypass surgery | 28. B |
| 14. pasturage               | 29. A |
| 15. meunière                | 30. D |

# University Interscholastic League Spelling 2024-2025 REGIONAL Meet Part II & III Key

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(Fold on lines between columns to facilitate scoring.)

*Outside Word \**

*Capitalization Required*

1. coreligionist

2. jojoba

3. rescindable

4. syzygy\*

5. Seoul

6. gaucherie

7. cloisonné

8. teetotaler, teetotaller

9. goethite

10. dilettante\*

11. muumuu

12. astragal

13. étouffée

14. pervious

15. verdure\*

16. malagueña

17. abscissa

18. indigestible

19. eristic\*

20. proletarian

21. heptastich

22. shiitake

23. farouche\*

24. Xhosa, Xosa

25. bois de rose

26. donnée

27. jeu d'esprit\*

28. palominos

29. albuterol

30. moyen âge

31. jacal\*

32. tallyho

33. lorgnette

34. Bolsheviki

35. Sputnik

36. fumarole

37. gazetteer\*

38. salvific

39. in memoriam

40. cataleptically

41. cerecloth

42. zaibatsu

43. saxifrage

44. Hare Krishna

45. tahsildar, tahseeldar

46. bremsstrahlung\*

47. psittacine

48. meno mosso

49. dionysian (D)

50. luxe\*

51. lebkuchen\*

52. pileated woodpecker

53. alla breve

54. tiramisu

55. imam, (I)

56. badinage\*

57. speling

58. jai alai

59. carpaccio

60. realpolitik

61. en garde\*

62. loci

63. effluxion

64. paseo

65. aardvark

66. Neanderthaloid

67. gingko, ginkgo\*

68. sayonara

69. ex vivo

70. borzoi

Part III Tiebreaker

1. primogenitor

2. nutraceutical

3. immanent\*

4. vendue

5. morphophonemics

6. Sisyphian

7. occasionally

8. dernier cri\*

9. longueur

10. ophidian

11. troglodyte

12. cirrhosis\*

13. quasi-stellar object

14. wildebeest

15. judgmatic

16. sauerbraten

17. paella

18. incumbency

19. hypnopompic\*

20. stromatolite

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**Regional Meet 2024-25**

**Part II and Part III Tie Breaker**

**Pronouncer's Copy**



# University Interscholastic League Spelling 2024-2024 Regional Meet Part II

Outside Word\*

<u>Time Elapsed</u>	<u>Order</u> <u>Word</u>	<u>Pronunciation</u>	<u>Definition</u>
<sup>1</sup> Minute	1. coreligionist	(kō'ri-lĭj'-ə-nĭst)	One having the same religion as another.
	2. jojoba	(hə-hō'-bə, hō-)	A shrub of the southwest United States and northern Mexico, having opposite, leathery leaves and seeds that yield an oil used in cosmetics and as a lubricant.
	3. rescindable	(rĭ-sĭnd'-ə-bəl)	Capable of being made void or repealed.
	4. syzygy*	(sĭz'ə-jē)	1. a. Either of two points in the orbit of a solar system body where the body is in opposition to or in conjunction with the sun. b. Either of two points in the orbit of the moon when the moon lies in a straight line with the sun and Earth. c. The configuration of the sun, the moon, and Earth lying in a straight line. 2. The combining of two feet into a single metrical unit in classical prosody.
	5. Seoul	(sōl)	The capital of South Korea.
	6. gaucherie	(gō'shə-rē')	An awkward or tactless act, manner, or expression.
	7. cloisonné	(kloi'zə-nā', klə-wä'zə-nā')	Decorative enamelwork in which metal filaments are fused to the surface of an object to outline a design that is filled in with enamel paste.
<sup>2</sup> Minutes	8. teetotaler	(tē'tōt'l-ər)	One who abstains completely from alcoholic beverages.
	9. goethite	(gō'thīt', gœ'tīt')	A red, yellow, or brown mineral, one of the common constituents of rust.
	10. dilettante*	(dĭl'ĭ-tănt', dĭl'ĭ-tănt', -tănt')	1. One who dabbles in an art or a field of knowledge. 2. <i>Archaic</i> . A lover of the fine arts.
	11. muumuu	(mōō'mōō')	A long loose dress that hangs free from the shoulders.

<sup>3</sup>  
Minutes

12. **astragal**

(äs'trə-gəl)

A narrow convex molding often having the form of beading.

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13. **étouffée**

(ā'tōō-fā')

A spicy Cajun stew of vegetables and seafood.

14. **pervious**

(pûr'vê-əs)

Open to passage or entrance; permeable.

15. **verdure\***

(vûr'jər)

The lush greenness of flourishing vegetation.

<sup>4</sup>  
Minutes

16. **malagueña**

(mä'lə-gā'nyə)

A dance native to Málaga, Spain, that is a variety of the fandango.

17. **abscissa**

(ăb-sīs'ə)

Symbol **x**. The coordinate representing the position of a point along a line perpendicular to the y-axis in a plane Cartesian coordinate system.

18. **indigestible**

(in'di-jēs'tə-bəl, -dī-)

Difficult or impossible to digest.

19. **eristic\***

(ī-rīs'tīk)

Given to or characterized by disputatious, often specious argument.

<sup>5</sup>  
Minutes

20. **proletarian**

(prō'lī-tār'ē-ən)

Of, relating to, or characteristic of the proletariat.

21. **heptastich**

(hěp'tə-stīk')

A stanza or strophe consisting of seven lines.

22. **shiitake**

(shē-tä'kē, shē'ē-tä'kě)

A mushroom native to east Asia.

23. **farouche\***

(fă-rōōsh')

1. Unsociable or shy and socially awkward.
2. Disorderly or intimidating in appearance or behavior; wild.
3. Outrageous or extreme.

<sup>6</sup>  
Minutes

24. **Xhosa, Xosa**

(kō'sä, -zə)

A member of a Bantu people inhabiting the eastern part of Cape Province, South Africa.

25. **bois de rose**

(bwä' də rōz')

A grayish red.

26. **donnée**

(dō-nē')

A set of literary or artistic principles or assumptions on which a creative work is based.

27. **jeu d'esprit\***

(zhœ dēs-prē')

A work of light playfulness or wit, especially in literature.

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Minutes

28. **palominos** (pāl'ə-mē'nōs)

Horses with a golden or tan coat and a white or cream-colored mane and tail.

29. **albuterol** (ăl-byōō'tə-rōl')

A drug used in the form of its sulfate as a bronchodilator primarily to treat asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

30. **moyen âge** (mwä-yěn äzh')

The Middle Ages.

31. **jacal\*** (hä-käl')

A thatch-roofed hut made of wattle and daub found in Mexico and the southwest United States.

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Minutes

32. **tallyho** (täl'ē-hō')

Used in fox-hunting to urge the hounds on when a fox is sighted.

33. **lorgnette** (lôrn-yět')

A pair of eyeglasses or opera glasses with a short handle.

34. **Bolsheviki** (bōl'shə-vē'kē, bōl-)

Members of the left-wing majority group of the Russian Social Democratic Workers' Party that adopted Lenin's theses on party organization in 1903.

35. **Sputnik** (spōōt'nīk, spūt'-, spōōt'nyīk)

Any of a series of Soviet satellites sent into Earth orbit, especially the first, launched October 4, 1957.

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Minutes

36. **fumarole** (fyōō'mə-rōl')

A hole in a volcanic area from which hot smoke and gases escape.

37. **gazetteer\*** (găz'ī-tīr')

1. A dictionary, listing, or index of geographic names.  
2. *Archaic.* A writer for a gazette; a journalist.

38. **salvific** (săl-vīf'īk)

Having the intention or power to bring about salvation or redemption.

39. **in memoriam** (īn' mə-môr'ē-əm)

In memory of; as a memorial to.

10  
Minutes

40. **cataleptically** (kăt'l-ēp'tīk-ly)

Describing a condition characterized by lack of response to external stimuli and by muscular rigidity, so that the limbs remain where they are positioned.

41. **cerecloth** (sir'klôth', -klôth')

Cloth coated with wax, formerly used for wrapping the dead.

	<b>42. zaibatsu</b>	(zī'bät-sōō')	A Japanese conglomerate, especially a powerful family-controlled monopoly before World War II.
	<b>43. saxifrage</b>	(säk'sə-frīj, -frāj')	Any of numerous herbs having small, variously colored flowers and leaves that often form a basal rosette.
	<b>44. Hare Krishna</b>	(hä'rē krīsh'nə)	A chant to the Hindu god Krishna.
	<b>45. tahsildar</b>	(tə-sēl'där')	A district official in India in charge of revenues and taxation.
	<b>46. bremsstrahlung*</b>	(brēm'shträ'ləng)	The electromagnetic radiation produced by the acceleration of an electrically charged particle, as when an electron is deflected in the electric field of an atom or molecule.
<sup>12</sup> Minutes	<b>47. psittacine</b>	(sīt'ə-sīn')	Relating to, resembling, or characteristic of parrots.
	<b>48. meno mosso</b>	(mā'nō mōs'sō, mē'nō)	At a lower speed. Used chiefly as a direction.
	<b>49. dionysian</b>	(dī'ə-nīsh'ən, -nīzh'ən, -nīs'ē-ən)	Of an ecstatic, orgiastic, or irrational nature; frenzied or undisciplined.
	<b>50. luxe*</b>	(lōōks, lüks)	1. The condition of being elegantly sumptuous. 2. Something luxurious; a luxury.
<sup>13</sup> Minutes	<b>51. lebkuchen*</b>	(lāb'kōō'kən, lāp'kōō'kən)	A chewy, honey-sweetened spice cake or cookie, often containing nuts or candied fruits.
	<b>52. pileated woodpecker</b>	(pī'lē-ā'tīd wōōd'pēk'ər)	A large North American woodpecker having black and white plumage and a bright red crest.
	<b>53. alla breve</b>	(äl'ə brēv', ä'lə brēv'ā)	In cut time.
	<b>54. tiramisu</b>	(tīr'ə-mē'sōō, -mē-sōō')	A dessert of sponge cake infused with a liquid such as coffee or rum, layered with mascarpone cheese, and topped with cocoa or grated chocolate.
<sup>14</sup> Minutes	<b>55. imam</b>	(ī-mām')	The male prayer leader in a mosque.
	<b>56. badinage*</b>	(bād'n-āzh')	Light, playful banter.

	57. <b>spieling</b>	(spēl-ĭng, shpēl-ĭng)	Talking or saying something at length.
	58. <b>jai alai</b>	(hī' lī', hī' ə-lī', hī' ə-lī')	A court game in which players use a long hand-shaped basket strapped to the wrist to propel a ball against a wall.
15 Minutes	59. <b>carpaccio</b>	(kär-pä'chō)	Very thinly sliced raw meat or fish, especially beef or tuna, garnished with a sauce.
	60. <b>realpolitik</b>	(rā-äl'pō'lı-tēk')	A usually expansionist national policy having as its sole principle advancement of the national interest.
	61. <b>en garde*</b>	(än gärd')	Used to warn a fencer to assume a defensive position preparatory to a match.
	62. <b>loci</b>	(lō'sī', -kē, -kī')	Localities; places.
16 Minutes	63. <b>effluxion</b>	(ĭ-flük'shən)	The passing or an expiration, as of time.
	64. <b>paseo</b>	(pä-sā'ō)	A slow, easy stroll out of doors.
	65. <b>aardvark</b>	(ärd'värk')	A burrowing mammal of sub-Saharan Africa.
	66. <b>Neanderthaloid</b>	(nē-än'där-thō'lōid', -tō'-, -tä'-)	Describing a species of extinct hominins that lived throughout most of Europe and western and central Asia during the late Pleistocene Epoch.
17 Minutes	67. <b>gingko*</b>	(gĭng'kō)	A deciduous, dioecious tree native to China and having fan-shaped leaves used in herbal medicine. The female plants bear foul-smelling fleshy fruitlike structures containing edible seeds used in East Asian cuisine, while the male plants are often grown as ornamental street trees. Also called maidenhair tree.
	68. <b>sayonara</b>	(sī'ə-när'ə)	Used to express farewell.
	69. <b>ex vivo</b>	(ĕks' vē'vō)	In an artificial environment outside a living organism.
	70. <b>borzoi</b>	(bôr'zoi')	A dog of a tall slender breed developed in Russia for hunting wolves.

# University Interscholastic League Spelling 2024-2025 Regional Meet Part III Tiebreaker

\*Outside Word

<u>Time Elapsed</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>Word</u>	<u>Pronunciation</u>	<u>Definition</u>
1 Minute	1.	primogenitor	(prī'mō-jěn'ī-tər)	The earliest ancestor.
	2.	nutraceutical	(nōō'trə-sōō'tī-kəl)	A food or naturally occurring food supplement thought to prevent disease or have other beneficial effects on human health.
	3.	immanent*	(ĩm'ə-nənt)	1. Existing or remaining within; inherent. 2. Restricted entirely to the mind; subjective.
	4.	vendue	(vĕn'dōō, -dyōō, vĕn-dōō', -dyōō')	A public sale; auction.
	5.	morphophonemics	(môr'fō-fə-nē'mĩks)	The changes in pronunciation undergone by allomorphs of morphemes as they are modified by neighboring sounds, as the plural allomorphs in cat-s, dog-s, box-es, or as they are modified for grammatical reasons in the course of inflection or derivation, as house versus to house and housing.
2 Minutes	6.	Sisyphean	(sĩs'ə-fē'ən)	Endlessly laborious or futile.
	7.	occasionally	(ə-kā'zhə-nə-lē)	From time to time; now and then.
	8.	dernier cri*	(dĕr'nyā krē')	The latest thing; the newest fashion.
	9.	longueur	(lông-gûr', lǒng-)	A tedious passage in a work of literature or performing art.
	10.	ophidian	(ō-fĩd'ē-ən)	Of or relating to snakes.
	11.	troglodyte	(trǒg'lə-dīt')	A member of a fabulous or prehistoric race of people that lived in caves, dens, or holes.

12. **cirrhosis\*** (sĭ-rō'sĭs)

1. Any of various chronic diseases of the liver characterized by the replacement of normal tissue with fibrous tissue and the loss of functional liver cells, resulting from a variety of causes that include chronic alcoholism and certain diseases and infections, especially hepatitis C.  
2. Chronic interstitial inflammation of any tissue or organ. No longer in clinical use.

13. **quasi-stellar object** (kwā'zī-stĕl'ər ōb'jĕkt  
kwā'zē- stĕl'ər ōb'jĕkt,  
-jĕkt')

A quasar.

14. **wildebeest** (wĭl'də-bĕst', vĭl'-)

Either of two large African antelopes having a drooping mane and beard, a long tufted tail, and curved horns.

15. **judgmatic** (jŭj-măt'ĭk)

Judicious.

16. **sauerbraten** (sour'brăt'n)

A pot roast of beef marinated in vinegar, water, wine, and spices before being cooked.

17. **paella** (pă-ĕl'ə, pă-ā'lyä, -ā'yä)

A saffron-flavored Spanish rice dish.

18. **incumbency** (ĭn-kŭm'bən-sē)

The quality or condition of being incumbent.

19. **hypnopompic\*** (hĭp'nə-pŏm'pĭk)

Of or relating to the partially conscious state that precedes complete awakening from sleep.

20. **stromatolite** (strō-măt'l-ĭt')

A usually rounded or columnar sedimentary structure consisting of alternating layers of carbonate or silicate sediment and fossilized microbial mats.