



Word Power

High School Spelling & Vocabulary
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The Details...

NATURE OF THE CONTEST

The UIL Spelling and Vocabulary Contest promotes vocabulary development as well as precise and effective use of words. The three-part contest consists of multiple-choice questions and words written from dictation. 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 consisting 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*, Fifth Edition: Fiftieth Anniversary (2018 Printing). 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, as in (frenetic, phrenetic). Students are required to spell only one variant. Although every attempt has been made to list all alternate spellings, some others may be discovered. *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, Fifth Edition: Fiftieth Anniversary (2018 Printing) 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 lower-case letter or a capital, both versions are given. It is the responsibility of the contestant to know in what circumstances to use lower-case or capital letters. The unnecessary use of a capital or its omission is considered an error.

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 "dégagé" is pronounced "DAY gah ZHAY". The acute accent (') is usually pronounced as the long "a" as in "late" or "date". The grave (') and the circumflex (^) "e" are pronounced as the short "e" as in "peck" or "deck". The grave and circumflex "a" give the "ah" sound as in "pot". 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 UIL office. Corrections to *Word Power* are posted on the Spelling and Vocabulary webpage at:

www.uiltexas.org/academics/academic-contests/spelling-and-vocabulary.

1.	a fortiori •	51.	anaphylactic shock •	101.	ayatollah
2.	ab initio •	52.	anathema	102.	baccalaureate
3.	ab intra	53.	ancillary	103.	bagasse •
4.	abasia	54.	ancylostomiasis	104.	Baha'i
5.	Abednego	55.	anecdotal •	105.	balbriggan (fabric)
6.	abjured	56.	anemochory •	106.	baldachin
7.	ablutionary	57.	angiocardiography	107.	balmacaan •
8.	abscission •	58.	animadvert •	108.	banausic
9.	absquatulate	59.	annihilative	109.	banderillero
10.	acarology	60.	annotator	110.	barbarous
11.	accession	61.	anosmic •	111.	baronial •
12.	acclivity	62.	antagonize	112.	barratry •
13.	accumulative	63.	antennae	113.	basilica
14.	acetate	64.	anthesis	114.	Batista y Zaldívar
15.	acidify	65.	anthrax •	115.	Baton Rouge
16.	acquittal •	66.	antipathetic	116.	bazooka •
17.	acrodont •	67.	antipodal	117.	bdellium •
18.	ad valorem •	68.	antispasmodic	118.	beau geste (singular)
19.	adipocere •	69.	ao dai •	119.	beccafico •
20.	admonish	70.	aorist	120.	beef stroganoff
21.	adroit	71.	apathetic	121.	behemoth, Behemoth
22.	adulator	72.	aphonia •	122.	Belgrade
23.	advisory	73.	apiarian	123.	bellicosity
24.	advocacy journalism	74.	apocryhal, Apocryphal	124.	benignities
25.	aerate	75.	apologue	125.	benzoyl peroxide
26.	aerosol	76.	apothegm, apophthegm	126.	besiegement
27.	afferent	77.	apparatchik •	127.	beurre blanc
28.	affiliation	78.	appreciable •	128.	bicephalous •
29.	Afghanistan	79.	apteryx, Apteryx	129.	bijouterie
30.	agnosticism	80.	aqueduct	130.	billingsgate
31.	agrology	81.	arbitrage	131.	biogenous
32.	agua fresca	82.	archconservative	132.	biparous
33.	aiguille •	83.	archival	133.	blasé
34.	aikido	84.	Arikara •	134.	blastocoelic
35.	akimbo •	85.	armoire	135.	blithesome
36.	alcazar •	86.	aromatherapy	136.	blitzkrieg
37.	algicide	87.	artifice	137.	Bloemfontein •
38.	alkalescent	88.	artisan	138.	bodhisattva •
39.	allottee	89.	aspodel	139.	Boolean
40.	alpha privative •	90.	assertiveness	140.	boondocks
41.	alphanumeric	91.	assigned •	141.	bossism
42.	altricial	92.	asteroid	142.	Boswellian
43.	alveolate	93.	asymptomatic	143.	bowdlerize
44.	amalgamation •	94.	atmospherium	144.	brainchild
45.	Amazonia	95.	atypical	145.	bravura
46.	ametropia •	96.	augmentation	146.	brevet •
47.	ampulla	97.	aurora borealis	147.	breviary •
48.	anachronism	98.	auslander	148.	brigadier
49.	anaglyph •	99.	authenticity	149.	broad-minded
50.	Anaheim	100.	avaricious	150.	bronchopneumonia

151.	brouhaha	201.	chalice	251.	consortium •
152.	brownstone	202.	chamaephytes	252.	constringe
153.	bubonic plague	203.	champlévé	253.	consumable
154.	buccal	204.	chancery	254.	contemptible
155.	bulletproof	205.	charabanc	255.	continuum •
156.	bumptious	206.	charlatan	256.	contraption •
157.	bureaucratize	207.	chasmogamous •	257.	contrariety
158.	Bushido, bushido	208.	chatoyant •	258.	convergent
159.	butterscotch	209.	chemin de fer	259.	convolute
160.	Cabeza de Vaca	210.	cheresonese	260.	Copán
161.	cacciatore	211.	cheval-de-frise	261.	cordon bleu (singular)
162.	cachexia •	212.	chiaroscuro	262.	corniculate
163.	cachucha	213.	chiffonier •	263.	cornucopia
164.	cacography	214.	Chiricahua •	264.	correlative
165.	cadential	215.	chlorosis	265.	cosmetology
166.	cajole	216.	cholesterol	266.	Côte d'Azur
167.	calenture •	217.	chthonic •	267.	countercyclical
168.	caliginous	218.	Ciceronian	268.	counterespionage
169.	caliphate	219.	cinereous	269.	counterpane
170.	calvados •	220.	circadian •	270.	coup de main
171.	camera lucida	221.	cirrhotic	271.	Coventry •
172.	cangue	222.	citronella	272.	covetous
173.	cantaloupe, cantaloup	223.	claddagh	273.	craniate
174.	capacitance •	224.	clay pigeon	274.	cravenly •
175.	capital-intensive	225.	clerisy •	275.	crème fraîche
176.	capsicum, Capsicum	226.	clique	276.	crestfallen
177.	capstone	227.	cochlear nerve	277.	cretinism •
178.	carbon-14 dating	228.	cockatrice	278.	crocheting
179.	Caribbean	229.	coextensive	279.	croissant
180.	carom	230.	collateralize	280.	croquette
181.	carotid	231.	collocation •	281.	cruciate
182.	carpal tunnel	232.	collodion	282.	cuesta •
183.	cartel	233.	columbarium	283.	cui bono
184.	cassimere	234.	commodities	284.	cuneiform
185.	castanet •	235.	comparison-shopped	285.	cupola
186.	casuistic •	236.	compartmentalize	286.	cyanosis
187.	catalytic	237.	compiler	287.	cybercafe
188.	catastasis •	238.	compleat •	288.	cyclotron •
189.	catchword •	239.	complicit	289.	cytolysis •
190.	cathedral	240.	complimentary	290.	dactylogy
191.	catholicon	241.	comprehensible	291.	Dakar •
192.	caudal	242.	concavity •	292.	dandruff
193.	causerie •	243.	concomitance	293.	dariole •
194.	ceilidh •	244.	concretize •	294.	de jure
195.	celiac, coeliac	245.	condescension	295.	dearth
196.	Celticism	246.	condominium	296.	DeBakey
197.	centaury	247.	conferee, conferree	297.	debenture
198.	centesimal •	248.	confluent	298.	Decalogue, Decalog
199.	cerebration	249.	connate	299.	decedent
200.	cerotype •	250.	consonance	300.	decennial

301.	decorticate •	351.	divvied	401.	envenomed
302.	decumbent •	352.	doctrinaire	402.	epaulet, epaulette
303.	defamation	353.	doggerel •	403.	epicurism •
304.	defeasance •	354.	domineering	404.	EpiPen
305.	deficit spending	355.	Don Juan	405.	epiphyte
306.	definiens •	356.	doula	406.	epistaxis
307.	deflector	357.	doxology	407.	Epstein-Barr virus
308.	degauss	358.	draconian •	408.	equitation •
309.	degradation	359.	Dravidian	409.	erne, ern (sea eagle)
310.	deinonychus, Deinonychus	360.	dromond	410.	erudition •
311.	deliquescence	361.	druidism	411.	erysipelas •
312.	delusory	362.	ductility	412.	escalade
313.	demission	363.	dulcet •	413.	eschew •
314.	demiurge, Demiurge	364.	duplicitous •	414.	espial
315.	demographer	365.	duumvirate	415.	establishmentarian
316.	Demosthenes	366.	dyspepsia •	416.	estoppel
317.	denounced	367.	dysteoleology	417.	ethnarch
318.	dentifrice •	368.	Eames chair	418.	euphony
319.	depilatory	369.	ebonize	419.	Euromarket
320.	depoliticize	370.	eccentricity •	420.	eurhythm, eurhythmy •
321.	deposition, Deposition	371.	ectocommensal	421.	eutrophic •
322.	derailleur •	372.	ecumenism •	422.	ex cathedra •
323.	dervish	373.	eczema	423.	ex officio
324.	desensitize	374.	eelpout	424.	exactitude
325.	despot •	375.	effectual	425.	excavator
326.	detritus	376.	effluence	426.	excimer
327.	deutsche mark	377.	effusion •	427.	excommunicable
328.	deviation	378.	egocentricity	428.	executant
329.	Dhaulagiri	379.	ekistics •	429.	exegesis •
330.	diagnostician •	380.	eldritch •	430.	exemplary
331.	diametric	381.	elegiac stanza	431.	exhaustive
332.	Diaspora, diaspora	382.	elutriate •	432.	exigent
333.	dicotyledon	383.	embalming	433.	exorbitant
334.	didactic	384.	embolism	434.	expatriate •
335.	differentia	385.	embraceor, embracer	435.	expiable
336.	diffidence	386.	emergence	436.	exquisitely
337.	dinghy •	387.	empennage	437.	extemporaneous •
338.	diorama	388.	emulsible	438.	extenuation
339.	dioxin	389.	en route	439.	extradition
340.	disaffected	390.	en suite	440.	extravaganza
341.	discombobulate •	391.	encephalon	441.	eyes-only
342.	discotheque, discothèque	392.	enclitic	442.	fabliau (singular)
343.	disembodied	393.	encomiast •	443.	factious •
344.	disinclination •	394.	encyclopedic	444.	fainéant
345.	disparity	395.	encyst	445.	falciform
346.	disruptive	396.	enmity	446.	fare-thee-well
347.	disseminate •	397.	enouncement	447.	farraginous •
348.	dissolute	398.	ensconce •	448.	Farsi
349.	distillation	399.	Entebbe	449.	fascicle
350.	diverse	400.	entr'acte	450.	fattoush

451.	fatuous	501.	Glühwein	551.	honorarium
452.	favela	502.	gnosis •	552.	hoopoe •
453.	fedora	503.	Goethe	553.	horologe •
454.	felonious	504.	Goidelic •	554.	humeral veil
455.	feoffment	505.	gondola	555.	hussar
456.	fiancée (female)	506.	gonfalonier •	556.	hydrangea, Hydrangea
457.	fiduciary	507.	goshawk	557.	hydrogenate
458.	filched	508.	gourmand	558.	hydrophobia
459.	filopietistic	509.	grandstanding	559.	hypaethral, hypethral
460.	fissure	510.	Graves' disease	560.	hypertrophy
461.	fistula •	511.	Grendel	561.	hypostasis
462.	fixer-upper	512.	grisette	562.	hypothalamus
463.	flagelliform •	513.	grommet •	563.	ichnography
464.	flambeau	514.	Guadalcanal	564.	icosahedron •
465.	flavescence	515.	guerdon	565.	ideologue
466.	fleur-de-lis, fleur-de-lys	516.	guileful	566.	idiolect
467.	flimflam	517.	gustatory •	567.	ignis fatuus •
468.	floristics	518.	gynecocracy	568.	ikebana •
469.	flumox	519.	habitation	569.	ill-advisedly
470.	fluorosis	520.	haggadist	570.	illimitable
471.	fontanel, fontanelle •	521.	hagiography	571.	imagism, Imagism •
472.	foofaraw	522.	halophile •	572.	immortalize
473.	forefront	523.	hamartia	573.	immotile
474.	formicivorous	524.	haplology	574.	impaste
475.	foursquare	525.	hardscrabble	575.	imperturbable •
476.	fractious	526.	harlequin, Harlequin	576.	implication •
477.	freemason, Freemason	527.	hartebeest	577.	impressionistic
478.	frenetic, phrenetic	528.	hastate	578.	imprimis
479.	fulminate •	529.	haustellum	579.	impuissance •
480.	funambulist	530.	hauteur •	580.	in camera
481.	fungible	531.	hebdomadal	581.	in medias res
482.	futility •	532.	hectograph	582.	in vacuo •
483.	Gallomania	533.	Hegelianism •	583.	inauspicious •
484.	garishly	534.	heist	584.	incantation •
485.	garrulous •	535.	heliocentric	585.	incendiary
486.	gascon, Gascon	536.	helminthology	586.	incipience
487.	gauche	537.	hemidemisemiquaver	587.	incomprehensible
488.	gegenschein •	538.	hemophobia	588.	inconvertible
489.	Gehenna	539.	Hephaestus	589.	inculpate
490.	geitonogamy	540.	herbivorous	590.	indecipherable
491.	geniculate	541.	hermetic, Hermetic	591.	indicative
492.	geodesy	542.	hero-worship (verb)	592.	indiscretion •
493.	geomancy	543.	hexahedron	593.	indoctrination •
494.	geotectonic	544.	hierarchical	594.	industrywide
495.	gestalt, Gestalt	545.	hippocampus •	595.	inexhaustible
496.	Gettysburg	546.	hircine	596.	infamous
497.	Gewürztraminer •	547.	Hobson's choice	597.	infotainment
498.	glabrous	548.	holystone	598.	infrequent
499.	glaucous	549.	Homeric	599.	ingratiating
500.	glossitis	550.	Honolulu	600.	initiator •

601.	inquiline	651.	Khyber Pass	701.	lithostratigraphy
602.	insensate	652.	Kierkegaard	702.	littérateur, littérateur
603.	inseparable	653.	Kilimanjaro	703.	loathe
604.	insomniac	654.	kilometer	704.	lobster thermidor
605.	integrationist	655.	kinswoman	705.	locavore •
606.	intemperate •	656.	kittiwake	706.	locum tenens •
607.	interagency	657.	Knight Templar	707.	logograph
608.	interdependent	658.	knurl	708.	loose-leaf
609.	interim •	659.	Korsakoff's syndrome	709.	Lorelei
610.	interminable •	660.	Krugerrand	710.	Lou Gehrig's disease
611.	internuncio	661.	kuchen	711.	lozenge
612.	intersperse	662.	kylix •	712.	Luddite
613.	intracranial	663.	Kyoto •	713.	lude
614.	intrepid	664.	Lacedaemon	714.	lumpectomy
615.	inundate •	665.	laetrile	715.	lunulate
616.	inurn	666.	Lag b'Omer	716.	Lusitania
617.	invigorate •	667.	lamasery	717.	lyricist
618.	io moth	668.	lambda •	718.	macadamize
619.	irradicable	669.	lancinating	719.	macaque •
620.	irreparably	670.	landau •	720.	macédoine
621.	irreproachable	671.	Laotian	721.	macerate
622.	isobar	672.	laparoscopy •	722.	Machiavellian •
623.	italicization	673.	lares and penates	723.	machismo
624.	iterative	674.	laryngeal	724.	macrocosm •
625.	jaboticaba	675.	laser printer	725.	madrilène, madrilene
626.	Jacobean	676.	lavaliere •	726.	magnanimity •
627.	jactitation	677.	lazulite •	727.	Magnificat •
628.	jaguarundi, jaguarondi •	678.	lebensraum	728.	magniloquent
629.	jambeau	679.	lecithinase	729.	mahi-mahi, mahi mahi
630.	jardinière	680.	legerdemain •	730.	major-domo
631.	javelina •	681.	leguminous •	731.	maladroitness
632.	je ne sais quoi	682.	lentando	732.	malapropism •
633.	jillionaire •	683.	leporine	733.	malcontent
634.	John Barleycorn	684.	Lesser Antilles	734.	manageability
635.	journalize	685.	levanter, Levanter	735.	mandolin
636.	judgmental	686.	levitate •	736.	mangel-wurzel
637.	jugate •	687.	lexicon •	737.	manicurist
638.	jump-start	688.	liberality	738.	manipulation
639.	juridical	689.	libertine	739.	mansard
640.	jurisconsult	690.	libretto	740.	manumit
641.	juvenile delinquent	691.	licentious	741.	manzanita
642.	Kabyle	692.	lieutenant governor	742.	maquillage
643.	kakemono •	693.	lima bean	743.	marcasite
644.	Karachi •	694.	limicoline •	744.	mariposa lily
645.	kedgeree •	695.	Lincolnesque	745.	marmoset
646.	keelhaul	696.	lineolate •	746.	marquee
647.	keloid, cheloid	697.	linoleum •	747.	Marseille, Marseilles
648.	kerygma •	698.	lionize	748.	Masora, Masorah
649.	khaddar	699.	liquid-crystal display	749.	masseter •
650.	khamsin	700.	lithophyte	750.	masseuse

751.	mastodont	801.	monocular	851.	no man's land
752.	matin	802.	monographer	852.	noblesse oblige •
753.	mauve	803.	monostich •	853.	noli-me-tangere
754.	mayonnaise	804.	mono thematic	854.	non grata •
755.	mazzard •	805.	montage	855.	nonage
756.	mea culpa	806.	moribund •	856.	nonfeasance
757.	mecopteran •	807.	morphallaxis	857.	noninvasive
758.	medaka	808.	mortuary	858.	nonpareil
759.	medicinal	809.	mot juste (singular)	859.	nonuple
760.	medulla oblongata	810.	mountebank	860.	noosphere
761.	megacephaly	811.	mousseline	861.	noria •
762.	melanosis	812.	mozo •	862.	Nostradamus
763.	mellophone	813.	mu meson	863.	nouvelle vague
764.	meningoencephalitis	814.	muliebryty	864.	nullah
765.	menorah, Menorah	815.	multidisciplinary	865.	nunciature •
766.	Mercurochrome	816.	multimedia	866.	Nuremberg •
767.	meropia •	817.	multistage	867.	nurse practitioner
768.	Mescalero •	818.	muriatic acid	868.	nux vomica •
769.	mesmerist •	819.	Muskogean, Muskhogean	869.	obliquely
770.	Mesopotamia	820.	mutagen	870.	obnoxiousness
771.	metallurgy	821.	mutinous	871.	obsequy •
772.	metempsychosis	822.	Muzak (trademark)	872.	obversion
773.	Metonic cycle	823.	muzziest	873.	oceanarium
774.	mezzotint •	824.	Mykonos	874.	octosyllabic
775.	Michaelmas	825.	myoma •	875.	oculist •
776.	micrococcus, Micrococcus	826.	mythopoeic, mythopeic	876.	odontology
777.	microfiche	827.	Nagasaki	877.	offal
778.	microscopy	828.	naphtha	878.	officiousness
779.	miffiness	829.	napiform	879.	ogreish
780.	mihrab	830.	narcissist	880.	Ohm's law
781.	millwright	831.	narcosynthesis •	881.	oleaginous
782.	mimicry	832.	natatorial •	882.	Oligocene •
783.	ministerial	833.	Navarre	883.	Olivier
784.	Minoan	834.	necrophagia	884.	Omar Khayyám
785.	mirador	835.	Negev	885.	onchocerciasis
786.	misattribution	836.	neocolonialism	886.	oneiric •
787.	miscellanea	837.	Neo-Darwinism	887.	one-upmanship
788.	misnomer	838.	Neolithic	888.	opalesce
789.	misoneism •	839.	neoplasia	889.	opéra comique
790.	Missionary Ridge	840.	nephrotomy	890.	ophiophagous
791.	mithridate •	841.	neuroblastoma	891.	opined
792.	mitigating	842.	neuroleptic	892.	Oppenheimer •
793.	mnemonic •	843.	neutrino •	893.	orbital
794.	modus operandi	844.	Nez Perce	894.	ordinarily
795.	mollify	845.	nicotinism	895.	organ of Corti
796.	molybdenum	846.	nidifugous •	896.	oribi •
797.	monaural •	847.	Nigerian	897.	oriflamme •
798.	monitorial	848.	nihilism, Nihilism	898.	O-ring
799.	monochasium •	849.	nirvana, Nirvana	899.	orlop
800.	monoclonal	850.	niveous •	900.	ornithologist •

901.	orthopedics, orthopaedics	951.	peccadillo	1001.	plenipotentiary
902.	Orwellian	952.	pecuniary •	1002.	pleonasm •
903.	osso buco •	953.	pelisse	1003.	pleurotomy
904.	osteoblast •	954.	pellagrous	1004.	plumb bob
905.	osteomalacia	955.	pendulum	1005.	pluvious •
906.	otiose	956.	pentathlete	1006.	pneumonectomy
907.	ototoxicic •	957.	penurious •	1007.	pococurante
908.	Ouachita Mountains	958.	peonage •	1008.	poetize
909.	overabundance	959.	percutaneous	1009.	Polaris
910.	overextend	960.	peregrine •	1010.	politization
911.	oxbow	961.	perfectible	1011.	polonaise •
912.	oysters Rockefeller	962.	pericardium	1012.	polydactyl
913.	ozonize •	963.	periwinkle	1013.	polyphagous
914.	pa'anga	964.	permafrost	1014.	Polyurethane
915.	pachisi	965.	permutation	1015.	Pomeranian
916.	pachyderm	966.	perpetuate	1016.	pongée
917.	paillard •	967.	persistence	1017.	popinjay
918.	palatial •	968.	perspicuous •	1018.	Port-au-Prince
919.	paleoanthropology •	969.	pertinacious •	1019.	portraiture
920.	palinode •	970.	perversity	1020.	Poseidon
921.	palmate	971.	petit point	1021.	post hoc
922.	pampean, Pampean	972.	petrifying	1022.	postexilic
923.	panada	973.	petrochemical	1023.	postoperative
924.	panettone	974.	petulance •	1024.	post-polio syndrome
925.	panjandrum •	975.	phaeton	1025.	potentate •
926.	panoply •	976.	phalanger	1026.	poussette
927.	pantograph	977.	pharyngology	1027.	prandial •
928.	papillon •	978.	philanthropic •	1028.	praseodymium
929.	pappataci fever	979.	Philistine, philistine	1029.	Precambrian
930.	paradrop •	980.	phillumenist •	1030.	precautionary
931.	paranormal	981.	phlox, Phlox	1031.	precognition •
932.	paraphernalia	982.	phocomelia	1032.	predilection
933.	parapraxis •	983.	phosphorus, Phosphorus	1033.	preemptive
934.	parasomnia	984.	photophobia	1034.	prejudicial
935.	parenthetical	985.	phthiriasis	1035.	preordination
936.	pariah	986.	physiotherapist	1036.	presage
937.	parley	987.	phytotoxic	1037.	prescind
938.	paronychia	988.	picaresque	1038.	preservationist •
939.	paronym	989.	picaroon •	1039.	prestidigitation
940.	parthenocarpy •	990.	pillory	1040.	pretentious
941.	partiality	991.	piña cloth	1041.	preternatural
942.	pas de quatre	992.	pirouette	1042.	prime mover
943.	passade	993.	pixel	1043.	primordial
944.	passivity	994.	pizzicato	1044.	printer's devil
945.	pâté de foie gras (singular)	995.	plaice	1045.	prioritize
946.	paternoster, Paternoster	996.	planetology	1046.	probity
947.	patinaed •	997.	plangent	1047.	proclivity
948.	pauperize	998.	plasminogen	1048.	prognosticator
949.	pauraque •	999.	Platonic, platonic	1049.	proliferate
950.	Pawtucket	1000.	plebeian •	1050.	pronation

1051.	propaedeutic •	1101.	recognition	1151.	role-playing
1052.	proprietary	1102.	reconstitute	1152.	rondeau
1053.	propulsive	1103.	rectrix	1153.	rosaceous
1054.	proselyte •	1104.	recused	1154.	rose-colored
1055.	prosy	1105.	redaction	1155.	Rosicrucian •
1056.	protoplasm	1106.	redound	1156.	rotiform
1057.	protractive •	1107.	referendum •	1157.	rouge
1058.	proving ground	1108.	reflexive	1158.	routinize •
1059.	prurigo	1109.	registrar	1159.	royal flush
1060.	pseudepigrapha	1110.	rehabilitant	1160.	rucksack
1061.	psycholinguistics	1111.	reichsmark	1161.	ruderal
1062.	psychopathic	1112.	rejuvenation	1162.	ruefulness
1063.	ptomaine	1113.	relativism	1163.	runcible spoon
1064.	pueblo, Pueblo	1114.	religiosity	1164.	rupicolous •
1065.	pulchritude	1115.	remanded •	1165.	Russian wolfhound
1066.	pulsar	1116.	remilitarize	1166.	sabadilla
1067.	pungent	1117.	renaissance, Renaissance	1167.	Sabin vaccine
1068.	punitive	1118.	renouncement	1168.	sachem
1069.	purulence	1119.	repentance	1169.	sacrilege
1070.	pyrography	1120.	repetitive	1170.	Sadducee
1071.	Pythagorean theorem	1121.	replevin	1171.	saga novel
1072.	quadraphonic,	1122.	reprieve	1172.	salaam
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1073.	quadrumanous •	1124.	resiniferous	1174.	salmagundi •
1074.	Quantico	1125.	resplendent •	1175.	salver
1075.	quantitative	1126.	restorative	1176.	sambal
1076.	Quasimodo	1127.	resurgence	1177.	samurai
1077.	quetzal	1128.	reticent •	1178.	sanative •
1078.	quiche	1129.	retrenchment	1179.	sanctimony •
1079.	quidnunc	1130.	retributive	1180.	sanguineous
1080.	quincuncial, quincunxial	1131.	revalidate	1181.	Sankhya
1081.	quintuplicate	1132.	revenant •	1182.	sarcastically
1082.	quitclaim •	1133.	revetment •	1183.	sartorial
1083.	quodlibet •	1134.	revisionism	1184.	Sasquatch
1084.	Rabelaisian	1135.	rhapsodize	1185.	satsuma, Satsuma
1085.	radiolucent	1136.	rheumatoid arthritis	1186.	saturnine •
1086.	raglan	1137.	rhizotomy	1187.	savant
1087.	raison d'être (singular)	1138.	rhombohedron	1188.	saxicolous
1088.	rampageous •	1139.	ricocheted	1189.	scabrous
1089.	rancorous	1140.	rigadoon •	1190.	scandalous
1090.	rapier	1141.	Rimbaud	1191.	Scandinavian
1091.	rascality	1142.	ringhals	1192.	scaphocephalic
1092.	rasorial •	1143.	risibility	1193.	schadenfreude
1093.	raucous	1144.	rivalrous	1194.	scherzo •
1094.	ravigote, ravigotte	1145.	Riyadh •	1195.	Schick test
1095.	rebooted	1146.	Robespierre	1196.	schlockmeister •
1096.	rebus •	1147.	rocambole	1197.	sciatic nerve
1097.	recant	1148.	Roche limit •	1198.	scilicet
1098.	recertification	1149.	roentgenography	1199.	scimitar
1099.	recidivous •	1150.	rogues' gallery	1200.	sclerotic •
1100.	réclame				

1201.	scofflaw	1251.	solicitor	1301.	supererogatory
1202.	scotopia •	1252.	Somaliland	1302.	supersedeas
1203.	screenplay	1253.	somnolence	1303.	supposititious
1204.	scrimshander •	1254.	Sophocles	1304.	surculose
1205.	scroungy	1255.	sortilege •	1305.	surfeiter
1206.	sculpin	1256.	sous-chef (singular)	1306.	sword of Damocles
1207.	scupper	1257.	spandex	1307.	sycophant •
1208.	Scylla	1258.	spatiotemporal	1308.	symbiont •
1209.	sea change	1259.	specious	1309.	sympathetic
1210.	secant	1260.	spectrogram	1310.	synergy
1211.	secretion •	1261.	spermaceti	1311.	syringomyelia •
1212.	Seder	1262.	spheroid	1312.	tableau vivant •
1213.	sedulous •	1263.	sphygmometer	1313.	tachograph
1214.	selenography •	1264.	spindrift	1314.	tachypnea
1215.	self-fulfilling	1265.	spinneret	1315.	talaria •
1216.	semiannual	1266.	splutter	1316.	Talmud
1217.	semidivine	1267.	sporadic	1317.	tamarind •
1218.	seminarist	1268.	spumoni, spumone	1318.	tangibility
1219.	sentience	1269.	Sri Lanka •	1319.	taqueria •
1220.	septuagenarian	1270.	stalagmite	1320.	tarragon
1221.	sequestration	1271.	stalwart	1321.	tautology
1222.	seriocomic	1272.	staphylococcus,	1322.	taverna
1223.	sesterce •		Staphylococcus	1323.	Tchaikovsky
1224.	Sexagesima	1273.	starveling •	1324.	Te Deum •
1225.	Shakespearean sonnet	1274.	stellar wind	1325.	technostructure
1226.	shamefaced	1275.	stephanotis, Stephanotis	1326.	Telemachus
1227.	shantung (fabric)	1276.	steroid (noun)	1327.	telemark
1228.	shill	1277.	stigmatize •	1328.	telpher •
1229.	shillelagh, shillalah	1278.	stiletto	1329.	tenable •
1230.	sialorrhea	1279.	stochastic	1330.	tenure
		1280.	stollen		
1231.	Siberia			1331.	terreplein
1232.	sic passim	1281.	stoneware	1332.	terricolous
1233.	siege •	1282.	strafe •	1333.	terseness
1234.	Sikhism	1283.	straightforward	1334.	tessitura
1235.	silvicolous	1284.	streusel	1335.	tetrameter
1236.	simplism •	1285.	stringendo •	1336.	thalassic
1237.	sine prole	1286.	strongyloidiasis	1337.	thaumaturge •
1238.	sinfonietta •	1287.	strychnine	1338.	theater-in-the-round
1239.	sinistral •	1288.	Sturm und Drang	1339.	theological •
1240.	Sioux Falls	1289.	stygian, Stygian	1340.	theorize
		1290.	subaxillary •		
1241.	sitar •	1291.	subgum	1341.	thermogenic
1242.	skewbald •	1292.	submontane	1342.	thixotropy
1243.	skybox	1293.	sub-Saharan	1343.	throes
1244.	slathered	1294.	subservient	1344.	thrysus •
1245.	sluiced	1295.	subsume	1345.	tic dououreux
1246.	slush fund	1296.	succinct	1346.	timocracy •
1247.	Soave	1297.	sudatorium •	1347.	Tinkertoy (trademark)
1248.	sobriquet •	1298.	suffocation	1348.	titanium
1249.	Socotra	1299.	sugarcoat	1349.	Tocqueville
1250.	solecism •	1300.	summitry	1350.	tocsin •

1351.	tokenism	1401.	unobtrusive	1451.	waggish •
1352.	tondo •	1402.	unscrupulous	1452.	wahine
1353.	torsade •	1403.	unsolicited	1453.	walkabout
1354.	tourbillion	1404.	unwarranted	1454.	wallflower
1355.	traditionally	1405.	up-tempo, uptempo	1455.	wampum •
1356.	traducianism •	1406.	uranium	1456.	warmonger
1357.	transfigure •	1407.	urethane •	1457.	wassail
1358.	transmissible	1408.	urticant •	1458.	wastrel •
1359.	transmogrify	1409.	utopian, Utopian •	1459.	wayfarer
1360.	trattoria •	1410.	vade mecum	1460.	weathervane
1361.	trestle	1411.	valetudinarian	1461.	well-nigh
1362.	trieable	1412.	valuation	1462.	Weltschmerz
1363.	tribulation	1413.	vamoose	1463.	whiffletree
1364.	tridactyl	1414.	Vanderbilt •	1464.	whilom •
1365.	trilateralism	1415.	vapid •	1465.	whited sepulcher
1366.	trimaran	1416.	variolate	1466.	widget •
1367.	triptych	1417.	vasculum •	1467.	wind shear
1368.	trochaic •	1418.	vegetarianism	1468.	window-shop
1369.	trompe l'oeil (singular)	1419.	veloce •	1469.	wisenheimer, weisenheimer
1370.	trousseau •	1420.	velutinous	1470.	Worcestershire sauce
1371.	trysail	1421.	venire	1471.	worm's-eye view
1372.	T-square	1422.	ventriloquist	1472.	worst-case
1373.	tuatara •	1423.	veracious •	1473.	wrasse •
1374.	tumefacient	1424.	verbalism	1474.	wrathfulness
1375.	turnverein	1425.	verditer	1475.	xanthous
1376.	tutelary	1426.	verglas	1476.	xerostomia •
1377.	twilight zone	1427.	verjuice	1477.	xerothermic
1378.	ubiquity •	1428.	vernacularize	1478.	xiphosuran
1379.	Uganda	1429.	Versailles •	1479.	x-irradiation
1380.	umbelliferous	1430.	vesper, Vesper	1480.	xylograph
1381.	umbilical	1431.	vestige	1481.	Yamasee
1382.	umbonate •	1432.	viable	1482.	yedoma
1383.	unaffiliated	1433.	vibrissa •	1483.	yellowcake
1384.	unballasted	1434.	viceroy	1484.	yeshiva, yeshivah
1385.	uncial, Uncial	1435.	videlicet	1485.	Yezidism
1386.	uncongenial	1436.	vilified •	1486.	Yom Kippur
1387.	unconscious	1437.	villanelle	1487.	Yucatán •
1388.	undergird	1438.	vindaloo •	1488.	Yupik
1389.	undergraduate	1439.	violoncello	1489.	zaftig, zoftig
1390.	undesirable	1440.	virogenesis	1490.	Zagreb
1391.	unfrock	1441.	visage	1491.	Zambian
1392.	ungainly	1442.	viscosity •	1492.	zarf •
1393.	unicuspid	1443.	vitreous •	1493.	zastruga •
1394.	unilocular •	1444.	vivace	1494.	zebrine
1395.	uninucleate	1445.	vizsla	1495.	zenana, zanana
1396.	uniserrate	1446.	voir dire •	1496.	ziggurat
1397.	universalism, Universalism	1447.	volcanology	1497.	zoogeography
1398.	unkempt	1448.	Vouvray •	1498.	Zurich
1399.	unkennel	1449.	vulcanize	1499.	zydeco •
1400.	unlicensed	1450.	vulturine	1500.	zymoscope

Sample Test Questions

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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.

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. ab 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

(30 questions, 15 minutes, 1 point each)

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