

Spelling List

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For elementary, middle and
junior high school students in grades 3-8



University Interscholastic League



Foreword

The spelling contest is designed to give students exposure to a wide variety of vocabulary words. Preparation for this contest should include instruction in the rules of the English language, definitions and root words. In addition to learning to spell proficiently, contestants will learn to write clearly and to properly capitalize words.

Word Lists

This bulletin contains three lists, each of which is a source of words for the UIL spelling contests. Divisions are by grade, as follows: (1) Grades 3 and 4; (2) Grades 5 and 6; (3) Grades 7 and 8. The words have been selected to supplement state-adopted texts.

The authority for all words is Merriam Webster's Intermediate Dictionary. Approximately 20 percent of the test words come from sources other than the UIL spelling lists.



Dictionary

The Merriam Webster's Intermediate Dictionary is the official source for the UIL spelling and dictionary skills competitions at the elementary and junior high levels. The dictionary can be purchased from Texas Educational Paperbacks, 3824 Cedar Springs Rd., #202, Dallas, TX 75219-4168; 800-443-2078; fax: 800.437.7070; web: www.tepbooks.com.

Alternate spellings

When an alternate spelling exists, students are required to spell only one variant. Acceptable alternatives in the bulletin are listed together and separated by commas. Alternate endings are shown in parentheses as follows: blond (e).

Capitalization

Where it is correct to start a word with a capital or lowercase letter, it will be shown as follows: al-ligator (A). If a word is listed in the dictionary with a capital and lowercase letter but the word only appears on the list with a lowercase letter, the capitalized version is not correct. If a word is listed in the dictionary with a capital and lowercase letter but the word only appears on the list with a capital letter, the lowercase version is not correct.

Explanatory Words

Explanatory words, such as parts of speech or brief definitions, are listed in parentheses after the word. These definitions serve only to identify words which are homonyms or near-homonyms. Space does not allow full definitions of words, and the short definition given may need to be explained to the student.

Corrections

Any misprints or other errors found in the list should be reported to the League office at once. Errors and corrections are posted on the UIL web site.

Printing and cursive acceptable

First and foremost, this is a test to determine spelling excellence. Therefore, plain writing rules do not apply. However, the student is expected to write each word legibly. If there is a question on legibility, to determine whether a given letter is legible, place a blank piece of paper on either side of it, separating it from its context. Even though it may not be perfectly written, any letter is considered correct which can still be identified when separated from the remainder of the word. Students may use either a printing or a cursive style of handwriting. Spelling, not handwriting, is the main goal of this event.

A set of rules is provided in this publication for your convenience. Should there be an inconsistency between these rules and those in the Constitution and Contest Rules, the C&CR (Section 1470) prevails.

Spelling Resources

Visit the [UIL A+ Spelling page](#) for additional information and links.



CONSTITUTION & CONTEST *Rules*

Section 1470: SPELLING

(a) THE CONTEST.

- (1) Summary. This contest is designed to give students exposure to a wide variety of vocabulary words. It is not a contest of memorization. For the most educational value, preparation for this contest should include instruction in the rules of the English language, meanings and definitions, and root words. In addition to learning to spell proficiently, contestants will learn to write clearly and to capitalize words properly. Words will come from the appropriate UIL spelling list, state adopted textbooks and Words of Common Usage. Approximately 20 percent of the test words will come from sources other than the UIL spelling lists. The source designated in official contest procedures will serve as the authority for all words in the contest.
- (2) Contest Format. Students will write down words given by the pronouncer on their paper at a rate of approximately five words per minute.
 - (A) Grades 3 and 4: 50 words; tie breaker, 15 words.
 - (B) Grades 5 and 6: 80 words; tie breaker, 20 words.
 - (C) Grades 7 and 8: 110 words; tie breaker, 30 words.

The tiebreaker is given to all contestants immediately following the initial test. Contestants who do not take the tiebreaker shall be disqualified.

(b) REPRESENTATION.

- (1) Contestants. Students in officially prescribed grade levels below 9th grade who are eligible under Sections 1400 and 1405 may enter this contest.
- (2) Divisions. Districts shall offer either a separate division for each participating grade level or combined grade level divisions as specified in official contest procedures.
- (3) Individual Competition. For each division, each participant school may enter as many as three contestants in the district meet.
- (4) Team Competition. If the district has elected to include team competition, the combined scores of the three contestants in each division from a school shall constitute the school's team score. A team shall have three contestants compete to participate in the team competition.

(c) CONTEST ADMINISTRATION.

- (1) Personnel. The contest director will be in charge of running the contest and resolving any problems that arise. The director may also serve as the pronouncer as long as he/she is not the coach of any student in the contest. The pronouncer shall not be a coach of any contestant entered in the contest. Responsibilities of the pronouncer are as specified in official contest procedures. Additional required and recommended contest personnel are specified in official contest procedures.
- (2) Verification Period. A verification period shall be provided. Unofficial results should be posted. Contestants and coaches should be given no more than 15 minutes to examine their test papers with official keys. Questions should be directed to the contest director, whose decisions shall be final.
- (3) Ties and Points. Ties in individual competition are to be broken by scoring the tie breaker test of only those involved in the tie. When calculating team scores, do not include scores from the tie breaker portion of the test unless a tie exists. If a tie exists in team competition, calculate the tie breaker scores for only those teams involved in the tie. If the tie remains after scoring the tie breaker, the tie shall stand. If there is a tie for first place, there is no second place. If there is a tie for second place, there is no third place, etc. Points are awarded as specified in Section 1408 (i).
- (4) Certificates. Students who score 100% in district competition are eligible to receive a Certificate of Achievement. Words misspelled on the tie breaker do not disqualify a student from a certificate.
- (5) Official Results. After the verification period has ended and all test papers have been collected, the contest director shall announce the official results. Official results, once announced, are final.
- (6) Returning Materials. No materials from district contests may be returned to contestants prior to official release dates.

REFER TO THE A+ HANDBOOK FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS ON
CONTEST ADMINISTRATION AND SCORING.

Grades 3-4

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| 1. abduction | 51. blame | 101. creature |
| 2. ability | 52. blazing | 102. cricket |
| 3. academy | 53. blender | 103. crimson |
| 4. accountant | 54. blush | 104. curious |
| 5. accurate | 55. borderline | 105. curtsy, curtsey |
| 6. ache | 56. bossy | 106. curve |
| 7. actress | 57. bottom | 107. dainty |
| 8. adobe | 58. bowlegged | 108. dazzled |
| 9. adult | 59. bracelet | 109. deacon |
| 10. adverb | 60. braille, Braille | 110. decaf |
| 11. affectionate | 61. breakfast | 111. decency |
| 12. against | 62. broaden | 112. decrease |
| 13. airplane | 63. building | 113. density |
| 14. alligator | 64. burglary | 114. dependable |
| 15. allspice | 65. buttercup | 115. deputy |
| 16. almost | 66. camel | 116. design |
| 17. aloha | 67. cancer (disease) | 117. develop |
| 18. although, altho | 68. carrier | 118. difficult |
| 19. ambition | 69. cashew | 119. dignity |
| 20. animated | 70. cater (provide food) | 120. disease |
| 21. annual | 71. caught | 121. disordered |
| 22. answer | 72. cautious | 122. dissolve |
| 23. anxious | 73. cavity | 123. dizzy |
| 24. apology | 74. celebrate | 124. domino |
| 25. apparel | 75. century | 125. donor |
| 26. appoint | 76. certificate | 126. dose |
| 27. argue | 77. chapter | 127. downward |
| 28. ashamed | 78. charming | 128. dream |
| 29. aspirin | 79. chilly | 129. drinkable |
| 30. athlete | 80. choice | 130. drought, drouth |
| 31. atom | 81. circulate | 131. drumstick |
| 32. auction | 82. citizen | 132. duet |
| 33. badger | 83. citrus | 133. earmuff |
| 34. baffle | 84. climate | 134. earthen |
| 35. balcony | 85. cling | 135. easily |
| 36. banana | 86. cobbler | 136. echo |
| 37. banquet | 87. coconut | 137. eclipse |
| 38. barrette | 88. collection | 138. economical |
| 39. barrier | 89. comedy | 139. editor |
| 40. basement | 90. compel | 140. eighteen |
| 41. beefy | 91. complete | 141. elderly |
| 42. beehive | 92. composure | 142. elegant |
| 43. beginner | 93. condone | 143. eliminate |
| 44. beholder | 94. connect | 144. emotion |
| 45. beige | 95. contrary | 145. emperor |
| 46. belittle | 96. convenient | 146. enchantment |
| 47. between | 97. cornflakes | 147. ending |
| 48. beware | 98. correction | 148. enemy |
| 49. biscuit | 99. cousin | 149. engrave |
| 50. black hole | 100. cranberry | 150. entry |

Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

151. equality	201. glimpse	251. infection
152. errand	202. globally	252. infest
153. essay	203. glossy	253. inject
154. evacuate	204. goalpost	254. injury
155. eventful	205. governor	255. inkwell
156. example	206. gracious	256. innkeeper
157. expression	207. grader	257. inorganic
158. extreme	208. gratefully	258. inscribe
159. eye-catching	209. gravel	259. instep
160. fabric	210. gravity	260. intent
161. faithful	211. grocery	261. interest
162. falcon	212. groovy	262. interior
163. famine	213. grudge	263. invade
164. farmstead	214. guide	264. Irish
165. fearful	215. gumdrop	265. irrigate
166. feast	216. hairdresser	266. item
167. February	217. hammock	267. jabbed
168. festival	218. hamper	268. jackboot
169. fiction	219. happily	269. jagged
170. fierce	220. harmonica	270. jaibird
171. filmstrip	221. harmony	271. jangle
172. fingerprint	222. harpoon	272. jay (bird)
173. flaunt	223. hawk	273. jelly
174. flavor	224. hayloft	274. jukebox
175. fluoride	225. headstrong	275. jumbo
176. foolproof	226. hefty	276. June
177. formula	227. herb	277. keeping
178. foursome	228. heritage	278. kennel
179. fowl	229. hidden	279. keystroke
180. framed	230. hillside	280. kindergarten
181. freeze	231. Hispanic	281. kindly
182. friend	232. historian	282. kitty
183. frightful	233. hive	283. knave
184. frigid	234. hoarse	284. knob
185. frustrate	235. holiday	285. kook
186. fudge	236. honesty	286. label
187. furnace	237. hotel	287. lamppost
188. fussy	238. humble	288. larva
189. gala	239. hurdle	289. laser
190. galley	240. hurried	290. laundry
191. garage	241. icing	291. lavender
192. gathering	242. idolize	292. layer
193. generate	243. igloo	293. laziness
194. gentlefolk	244. illustrate	294. leakage
195. geography	245. image	295. ledger
196. germinate	246. impair	296. length
197. gigantic	247. important	297. leotard
198. giggle	248. inch	298. lifesaver
199. glassware	249. incoming	299. ligament
200. glider	250. indent	300. likewise

Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

301. lilac	351. noggin	401. passport
302. limited	352. nomad	402. pasture
303. linger	353. nondairy	403. pavement
304. livelihood	354. nonstick	404. peacock
305. locate	355. noodle	405. pedigree
306. logbook	356. northward	406. penalty
307. lonely	357. notify	407. period
308. loyal	358. novel	408. perky
309. luminous	359. November	409. petticoat
310. lunge	360. nudging	410. pheasant
311. lurk	361. numb	411. physical
312. machine	362. numerous	412. pioneer
313. magician	363. nunnery	413. plastic
314. mainland	364. nursery	414. pliable
315. mammoth	365. nutrition	415. poison
316. manicure	366. oarsman	416. portray
317. marmalade	367. oath	417. preacher
318. massive	368. oboe	418. pretend
319. mattress	369. obsess	419. prewash
320. mechanical	370. obvious	420. priceless
321. medical	371. ocean	421. prickly
322. melodic	372. offense, offence	422. project
323. mentality	373. offering	423. proverb
324. merge	374. ointment	424. provoke
325. merriment	375. okra	425. prowl
326. migration	376. omission	426. quail
327. mingled	377. onion	427. quake
328. miracle	378. oodles	428. quarrel
329. misspell	379. open-and-shut	429. quarter
330. mistletoe	380. operation	430. quash
331. mixture	381. oppose	431. queen
332. modern	382. ordeal	432. question
333. molasses	383. ordered	433. quid
334. motorist	384. ore (rock)	434. quiet
335. multiply	385. organized	435. quilt
336. muscle	386. ornament	436. quip
337. musician	387. ounce	437. quirk
338. mystify	388. outdated	438. quota
339. naturalize	389. outerwear	439. rabies
340. naughty	390. outlandish	440. radiant
341. navigate	391. overtime	441. radio
342. necklace	392. overture	442. ranger
343. nectarine	393. ozone	443. razor
344. needless	394. package	444. readable
345. neglect	395. pageant	445. readily
346. neither	396. panic	446. recover
347. neutral	397. parade	447. refashion
348. newlywed	398. parallel	448. reflex
349. newsy	399. particle	449. regularly
350. ninety	400. partnership	450. release

Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

451. relief	501. system	551. usher
452. remarkable	502. tadpole	552. utterly
453. reptile	503. tailored	553. vacancy
454. request	504. tattered	554. valley
455. retired	505. teaspoon	555. valuable
456. retreat	506. tendency	556. varied
457. revolve	507. tennis	557. various
458. rhythm	508. terrible	558. vast
459. riflery	509. themselves	559. vegetable
460. roomy	510. thermostat	560. velvety
461. rotate	511. thief	561. venom
462. rough	512. thousand	562. verb
463. routine	513. throat	563. verify
464. rubbish	514. tidewater	564. vibrant
465. ruby	515. timeless	565. victim
466. running	516. together	566. villain
467. ruthless	517. tongue	567. violence
468. salmon	518. tornado	568. violin
469. sanitary	519. toughen	569. vision
470. sardine	520. trait	570. visiting
471. scientist	521. transplant	571. vivid
472. scoundrel	522. treasure	572. volcano
473. scrawny	523. trickery	573. voyage
474. secretary	524. tropical	574. wafer
475. sensible	525. trouble	575. waffle
476. service	526. trumpet	576. wakeful
477. shabbily	527. turmoil	577. wanting
478. shortening	528. twiddle	578. wasp (insect)
479. shoulder	529. twilight	579. watermelon
480. sibling	530. twister	580. wayward
481. signature	531. typhoon	581. weary
482. sincerely	532. ultraviolet	582. westerly
483. sluggish	533. umbrella	583. whooping cough
484. smuggle	534. unable	584. windshield
485. snobbish	535. unadorned	585. wisdom
486. soprano	536. uncover	586. worried
487. spaghetti	537. underhand	587. wreckage
488. spinach	538. uneaten	588. writing
489. sponsor	539. uniform	589. xebec
490. squirrel	540. unit	590. xerography
491. stardom	541. unload	591. yank (pull suddenly)
492. stomach	542. unpack	592. yardstick
493. straight	543. unpleasant	593. yellowish
494. stylist	544. unshaven	594. yoga, Yoga
495. succeed	545. unsinkable	595. youngish
496. summon	546. untangle	596. youth
497. superb	547. unwise	597. zap
498. superior	548. upwind	598. zeal
499. survey	549. urban	599. zodiac
500. symbol	550. useless	600. zookeeper

Grades 5-6

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| 1. abbreviate | 51. badminton | 101. cavernous |
| 2. abdomen | 52. baleful | 102. centerpiece |
| 3. abnormality | 53. ballyhoo | 103. ceremony |
| 4. abridged | 54. bandanna, bandana | 104. certificate |
| 5. abrupt | 55. barbarian | 105. chairperson |
| 6. abundantly | 56. barracks | 106. chaplain |
| 7. accentuate | 57. barrette | 107. characteristic |
| 8. accomplish | 58. barter | 108. chemistry |
| 9. accordion | 59. beautician | 109. choppiness |
| 10. achieve | 60. bedazzle | 110. circular |
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| 11. acne | 61. begrudge | 111. circumstance |
| 12. activate | 62. believable | 112. civilize |
| 13. addendum | 63. benefit | 113. clientele |
| 14. adhesive | 64. benevolent | 114. clincher |
| 15. admission | 65. benignant | 115. collapse |
| 16. adoption | 66. berserk | 116. collarbone |
| 17. advertise | 67. biannual | 117. columnist |
| 18. aerobics | 68. biceps | 118. comedian |
| 19. agenda | 69. billionaire | 119. commentary |
| 20. aggression | 70. binocular | 120. commercial |
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| 21. agriculture | 71. biodiversity | 121. communicate |
| 22. airport | 72. biological | 122. companion |
| 23. allegation | 73. bittersweet | 123. complaint |
| 24. alliance | 74. blamable | 124. component |
| 25. alternative | 75. blanch | 125. concentrate |
| 26. amateur | 76. blissful | 126. condense |
| 27. ambulance | 77. blockbuster | 127. confession |
| 28. amethyst | 78. boast | 128. connection |
| 29. amusing | 79. bolster | 129. consultation |
| 30. ancient | 80. botanical | 130. continental drift |
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| 31. angrily | 81. bottleneck | 131. convention |
| 32. animate | 82. botulism | 132. coordination |
| 33. anonymous | 83. boulder (rock) | 133. corrode |
| 34. antibiotic | 84. braggart | 134. countries |
| 35. apostrophe | 85. brassy | 135. cramming |
| 36. apparition | 86. breakable | 136. cringe |
| 37. appliance | 87. brilliance | 137. cultivate |
| 38. apprehend | 88. buffet (meal) | 138. curtail |
| 39. aptitude | 89. buffoonery | 139. cylinder |
| 40. armored | 90. bulging | 140. deactivate |
| | | |
| 41. arrangement | 91. burdensome | 141. debonair |
| 42. arrogance | 92. bureau | 142. debug |
| 43. association | 93. butterfingered | 143. deceit |
| 44. assortment | 94. butterscotch | 144. deception |
| 45. attorney | 95. calendar | 145. decode |
| 46. attractive | 96. calligraphy | 146. deductible |
| 47. authentic | 97. capitalism | 147. deficient |
| 48. avalanche | 98. capivate | 148. dehydrate |
| 49. averaging | 99. cardiac | 149. deliberate |
| 50. awkward | 100. cartilage | 150. delightful |

Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

151. delivery	201. endurance	251. food chain
152. demolish	202. energize	252. forceful
153. desperate	203. engagement	253. foreign
154. destiny	204. enhance	254. foremost
155. deterrent	205. enliven	255. formality
156. devotion	206. enormity	256. formulate
157. diagonal	207. entertain	257. fortitude
158. dietary	208. entrench	258. fraction
159. difficulty	209. environment	259. franchise
160. dimension	210. equinox	260. frankfurter
161. diorama	211. erase	261. fraud
162. discriminate	212. escapade	262. freedom
163. disembark	213. essential	263. frugal
164. disgruntled	214. estimate	264. fruitless
165. dishearten	215. eulogy	265. function
166. disinfect	216. evidence	266. furlough
167. dispenser	217. exaggerate	267. gadabout
168. disregard	218. examination	268. gait (movement)
169. dissatisfaction	219. exercising	269. gangplank
170. distressful	220. exert	270. gardenia
171. divergence	221. existence	271. gauze
172. division	222. expedition	272. gavel
173. dominate	223. expense	273. gecko
174. dormancy	224. exploration	274. generality
175. downcast	225. expressway	275. genetic engineering
176. draftsman	226. extremity	276. geometric
177. dreadful	227. exuberance	277. gesture
178. drudgery	228. facsimile	278. ghetto
179. dumpling	229. factorization	279. gingerly
180. duplex	230. failing	280. gladiator
181. durable	231. familiar	281. global
182. dynasty	232. fanciful	282. gloominess
183. eagerness	233. fanfare	283. glowworm
184. earsplitting	234. fast-forward	284. go-between
185. ecstatic	235. fatalism	285. goodwill
186. effective	236. favoritism	286. goofy
187. effortless	237. felon	287. gooseneck
188. eighteenth	238. feminine	288. gossipy
189. elaborate	239. fertilizer	289. goulash
190. election	240. fictionalize	290. gradually
191. electronics	241. fictitious	291. grammar
192. eligible	242. fiesta	292. granary
193. elongate	243. filbert	293. granola
194. embargo	244. filthy	294. granular
195. embroidery	245. filtration	295. gravitate
196. emergency	246. financier	296. greengrocer
197. employee	247. finch	297. gridiron
198. emptying	248. flatterer	298. griminess
199. encourage	249. flimsy	299. gripe
200. endear	250. fluent	300. grizzled

Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

301. guffaw	351. ignorant	401. kangaroo
302. guidance	352. ignoring	402. kelp
303. gulp	353. illiterate	403. kerchief
304. gurgle	354. imitative	404. kilowatt
305. gusher	355. immaterial	405. kindhearted
306. guzzle	356. immediately	406. kindle
307. habitable	357. immense	407. kith
308. halibut	358. immoral	408. Kleenex (trademark)
309. hamstring	359. impassable	409. knickknack
310. handicapped	360. impersonal	410. knighthood
311. handkerchief	361. impossible	411. knoll
312. handwritten	362. inattention	412. knotted
313. happening	363. inaudible	413. lacerate
314. happy-go-lucky	364. incision	414. lacquer
315. harebrained	365. inclusion	415. ladylike
316. hastily	366. inconvenience	416. laminate
317. hatchery	367. individual	417. landscaping
318. heartening	368. inedible	418. lanolin
319. heatstroke	369. inexcusable	419. larceny
320. heckle	370. inflict	420. lateral
321. heighten	371. inherent	421. laughable
322. helium	372. injunction	422. layette
323. hepatitis	373. innovative	423. leaden
324. heretofore	374. inoculate	424. leathery
325. hesitating	375. insurance	425. leech (worm)
326. hexagon	376. intelligence	426. legacy
327. hibernate	377. intercept	427. legality
328. hideous	378. internist	428. legendary
329. hijack, high-jack	379. interspace	429. legislature
330. hippo	380. intruding	430. levator
331. hoist	381. inventory	431. libel
332. homeland	382. investigate	432. licorice
333. honestly	383. invigorate	433. lightweight
334. hoopskirt	384. iodine	434. limerick
335. hopscotch	385. irrigation	435. linguist
336. hospital	386. italicize	436. lipreading (noun)
337. hotheaded	387. jaguar	437. listener
338. huckleberry	388. jalopy	438. loathsome
339. humbug	389. javelin	439. lobbyist
340. humidity	390. jawbreaker	440. lodging
341. husbandry	391. jealously	441. loneliness
342. hydrant	392. jetty	442. longevity
343. hydrology	393. jewelry	443. lordly
344. hygiene	394. joggled	444. lottery
345. hypnotism	395. jovial	445. lounging
346. hypnotize	396. jubilation	446. lucrative
347. icebreaker	397. judgment, judgement	447. luminescent
348. icicle	398. juiciness	448. lurch
349. identically	399. juniper	449. lusciousness
350. ideology	400. Kabuki	450. lynx (cat)

Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

451. magenta	501. Neptune	551. outlying
452. magnetic	502. nervy	552. outrank
453. mahogany	503. network	553. outwardly
454. mainstream	504. neutralize	554. oversight
455. maladjusted	505. niece	555. overstuffed
456. malefactor	506. nigh	556. oversupply
457. malpractice	507. ninepin	557. owlet
458. manage	508. nitrite	558. oxygen
459. manageable	509. noiseless	559. pancreas
460. marginal	510. nonfattening	560. pantomime
461. marvelous, marvellous	511. nonmetallic	561. paradise
462. masterful	512. nonsense	562. paraffin
463. material	513. nontraditional	563. paralysis
464. maturity	514. nonverbal	564. parsonage
465. mawkish	515. northernmost	565. pathetic
466. Maya	516. notebook	566. patriotic
467. meaningless	517. notoriety	567. paunchy
468. meditate	518. nourishment	568. pedestrian
469. melodrama	519. nowadays	569. penalize
470. memoir	520. nozzle	570. pending
471. mercenary	521. nuclear	571. penitence
472. merciless	522. nurseryman	572. pension
473. meteorologist	523. nurturant	573. percentage
474. mettlesome	524. nutritional	574. perishable
475. millionaire	525. nutshell	575. permanent
476. miniature	526. obeying	576. perplexity
477. minimize	527. objection	577. personalize
478. minister	528. oblivious	578. pertain
479. misconception	529. obscurity	579. petroleum
480. misdemeanor	530. observant	580. pharmacy
481. missile	531. oceangoing	581. pineapple
482. misspend	532. octagon	582. planetarium
483. moisturize	533. offertory, Offertory	583. plaque
484. momentary	534. oldish	584. plasticity
485. monotone	535. omen	585. poignant
486. monstrous	536. ominous	586. policyholder
487. morass	537. once-over	587. population
488. motley	538. onslaught	588. potatoes
489. multicultural	539. on-target	589. practical
490. multitude	540. opacity	590. precaution
491. mutiny	541. openhearted	591. precisely
492. mutual	542. opportunity	592. predicament
493. narcotic	543. opposition	593. prevailing
494. narrative	544. optimistic	594. previous
495. nationalize	545. opus	595. profession
496. natty	546. orbiter	596. prominent
497. navigable	547. orchestrate	597. prosperous
498. necessitate	548. organdy, organdie	598. pulsate
499. negation	549. ornery	599. punctual
500. neglectful	550. osmosis	600. quaintness

Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

601. quaking	651. rumored	701. tastefully
602. quarantine	652. sabotage	702. teammate
603. quarrelsome	653. saintly	703. technician
604. quartet, quartette	654. salsa	704. temperate
605. queasier	655. sanctuary	705. tenement
606. quickening	656. satisfaction	706. tension
607. quicksand	657. scarcely	707. terminal
608. quince	658. scenario	708. testimonial
609. quittance	659. scorekeeper	709. textual
610. racket, racquet	660. scoundrel	710. theory
611. railroad	661. scrunch	711. therapist
612. raincoat	662. seclusion	712. thermometer
613. random	663. secondary	713. threadbare
614. rationale	664. sectional	714. threaten
615. rayon	665. selection	715. thunderous
616. reality	666. semiarid	716. tiller
617. reasonable	667. seminary	717. tincture
618. reassurance	668. senile	718. titanic
619. rebroadcast	669. sensational	719. tolerable
620. recede	670. separate	720. tollgate
621. receipt	671. session	721. topaz
622. receptive	672. shrewd	722. topical
623. recession	673. similarity	723. towhead
624. reconcile	674. simplicity	724. toxemia
625. recondition	675. skeletal	725. traditional
626. rectangular	676. slanderous	726. transgress
627. referendum	677. sociable	727. treasurer
628. refrigerate	678. sociology	728. tremble
629. reinforce	679. solstice	729. triangular
630. relative humidity	680. solvable	730. tributary
631. reluctantly	681. somersault	731. trophy
632. repetitious	682. specific	732. troublesome
633. replenish	683. speculation	733. tutorial
634. replica	684. squirm	734. typify
635. reputation	685. stagnant	735. ulster
636. residue	686. stationary	736. ultimate
637. respectable	687. stature	737. unaligned
638. responsible	688. stereotype	738. unbalanced
639. restaurant	689. submerge	739. unbearable
640. retrieval	690. substantial	740. uncluttered
641. revenue	691. suggestion	741. underachiever
642. revival	692. supervision	742. unevenful
643. revolvable	693. supplement	743. unique
644. ricotta	694. surrender	744. unitarian, Unitarian
645. riddance	695. suspense	745. university
646. rigorous	696. syllabicate	746. unlikelihood
647. rollicking	697. tabloid	747. unlined
648. roughage	698. taffeta	748. unrighteous
649. rubella	699. tangible	749. unsportsmanlike
650. rummy	700. tarantula	750. unutterable

Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

751. uprising
752. Uranus
753. uttermost
754. vague
755. validity
756. vandalize
757. vanquish
758. varicolored
759. vegetation
760. veneer

761. ventricle
762. Venus
763. versatile
764. vertebra
765. victimize
766. videotape
767. vindicate
768. Virgo
769. virtuous
770. vitality

771. vocational
772. volcanic
773. voluntarily
774. voucher
775. waistband
776. wandering
777. warehouse
778. warrior
779. waspish
780. waterlogged

781. wearied
782. web-footed
783. wedlock
784. weird
785. wheelchair
786. whichever
787. white blood cell
788. wiener
789. wingspread
790. wisecrack

791. withdrawn
792. woozy
793. xerophyte
794. xylophone
795. yardstick
796. yawp, yaup
797. yearling
798. yippee (delight)
799. zestfully
800. zombie, zombi

Grades 7-8

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| 1. abdicate | 51. authorize | 101. camouflage |
| 2. aberrant | 52. autobiography | 102. captivity |
| 3. abracadabra | 53. awestruck | 103. carcinogen |
| 4. accede | 54. background | 104. caricature |
| 5. accelerator | 55. balustrade | 105. carotene |
| 6. acclimate | 56. bandage | 106. catastrophic |
| 7. accompaniment | 57. banister, bannister | 107. catechism |
| 8. acknowledge | 58. barnacle | 108. cauliflower |
| 9. addict | 59. barometer | 109. censorship |
| 10. adherence | 60. barrier reef | 110. centenarian |
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| 11. admissible | 61. basalt | 111. chambray |
| 12. admonition | 62. beauteous | 112. chemotherapy |
| 13. adolescence | 63. bedrock | 113. chinchilla |
| 14. advanced | 64. begrudge | 114. chivalry |
| 15. advisory | 65. beleaguer | 115. choleric |
| 16. aerobatics | 66. belligerent | 116. chromosome |
| 17. affable | 67. bemuse | 117. chronological |
| 18. agglutinate | 68. benefited, benefitted | 118. cinematographer |
| 19. aggressive | 69. bereavement | 119. citation |
| 20. albacore | 70. Bermuda grass | 120. civilian |
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| 21. alcoholism | 71. beveled, bevelled | 121. claustrophobia |
| 22. alliteration | 72. bibulous | 122. clavicle |
| 23. almshouse | 73. bicentennial | 123. cliché |
| 24. alumni | 74. biologist | 124. cloister |
| 25. ambiguous | 75. biotechnology | 125. cogitate |
| 26. ambulatory | 76. bivouac | 126. cognizance |
| 27. amicable | 77. bogeyman | 127. coincident |
| 28. amorphous | 78. boisterous | 128. coleslaw |
| 29. amphibian | 79. bookmobile | 129. collateral |
| 30. amplitude | 80. boudoir | 130. colonization |
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| 31. anesthetist | 81. boulevard | 131. comedienne |
| 32. annoyance | 82. boutique | 132. commensurate |
| 33. antagonism | 83. boutonnierre | 133. commercialize |
| 34. anthology | 84. braille, Braille | 134. commodious |
| 35. anticipation | 85. brainstorming | 135. comparative |
| 36. aphorism | 86. breaststroke | 136. compilation |
| 37. apologist | 87. briefcase | 137. complacency |
| 38. Appaloosa | 88. brilliance | 138. compost |
| 39. apprehensive | 89. broadband | 139. comprehend |
| 40. approbation | 90. brokerage | 140. conceive |
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| 41. arduous | 91. brontosaurus | 141. concussion |
| 42. argumentative | 92. brownstone | 142. condominium |
| 43. arpeggio | 93. Buddhism | 143. confidential |
| 44. assertiveness | 94. bulimia | 144. connoisseur |
| 45. assiduous | 95. bulwark | 145. consistency |
| 46. assurance | 96. burnoose, burnous | 146. construed |
| 47. asylum | 97. businesslike | 147. consumable |
| 48. attribute | 98. bylaw | 148. contaminant |
| 49. auctioneer | 99. byte | 149. contemptuous |
| 50. aurora | 100. calculus | 150. continuous |

Grades 7–8 (cont'd)

151. controversy	201. duffel	251. extravagant
152. cooperation	202. dulcet	252. extravehicular
153. corduroy	203. dutiable	253. exuberantly
154. cosmopolitan	204. easel	254. exultation
155. courageous	205. eavesdropper	255. facetious
156. crestfallen	206. echoic	256. facile
157. crevasse	207. éclair	257. factorial
158. cruellest, cruellest	208. edifice	258. falsetto
159. cryogenics	209. efficient	259. farsightedness
160. cumulus	210. egregious	260. fatherly
161. customary	211. Egyptian	261. fatuity
162. dangerously	212. elephantine	262. feral
163. daredevil	213. elongated	263. fervent
164. deadline	214. elucidate	264. figurative
165. debutante	215. emancipation	265. figurine
166. decadent	216. embarrass	266. finality
167. deciduous	217. embodiment	267. fireproof
168. declension	218. emeritus	268. fissure
169. decomposition	219. emphysema	269. flagship
170. decrepit	220. encephalitis	270. flippancy
171. deficit	221. encouragement	271. flout
172. defunct	222. engineering	272. fluid ounce
173. deleterious	223. enigmatic	273. fluorescent
174. delirium	224. enlightenment	274. foliated
175. demeanor	225. enormously	275. fomentation
176. demerit	226. enthusiasm	276. forbearance
177. demonstration	227. enunciation	277. forestation
178. dependency	228. epicycle	278. forethought
179. deprecate	229. epitome	279. forgiveness
180. derivative	230. equidistant	280. forthwith
181. dermatology	231. equilateral	281. fortissimo
182. destitute	232. equivocal	282. foundational
183. destructible	233. escalation	283. fractional
184. deterrence	234. espionage	284. frankincense
185. detrimental	235. et cetera	285. frequency
186. dexterity	236. ethanol	286. friable
187. diabetes	237. ethnocentric	287. fricassee (verb)
188. diphthong	238. euphoria	288. frijole
189. diplomacy	239. euthanasia	289. frontiersman
190. courtesy	240. exaggeration	290. fuchsia
191. dissemble	241. exaltation	291. fugitive
192. dissonance	242. exasperation	292. fumigate
193. distinguish	243. excellence	293. fundamental
194. diversity	244. excitable	294. funicular
195. divisible	245. executioner	295. fusillade
196. doctorate	246. exertion	296. gadgetry
197. domestic	247. exoskeleton	297. galleon
198. domination	248. expedient	298. galore
199. doubleheader	249. explicable	299. gamut
200. downgrade	250. exploitation	300. gargoyle

Grades 7–8 (cont'd)

301. gaseous	351. heartrending	401. inconspicuous
302. gawkiness	352. heavenward	402. increment
303. gazpacho	353. helmsman	403. incubate
304. genealogy	354. hemorrhage	404. indebtedness
305. genre	355. heptagonal	405. indemnity
306. genuflect	356. herbaceous	406. indigenous
307. geochemistry	357. heritable	407. inevitable
308. geographer	358. herringbone	408. infamous
309. germane	359. hiatus	409. inferiority
310. germicide	360. hibernation	410. inflammable
311. gerrymander	361. hieroglyphic	411. influential
312. Gibraltar	362. hilarious	412. ingredient
313. gimmick	363. hireling	413. inhalation
314. gingham	364. hoarseness	414. innuendo
315. gizmo, gismo	365. holistic	415. insecticide
316. glaucoma	366. hologram	416. instigate
317. glistened	367. homicidal	417. insufficient
318. global warming	368. homing pigeon	418. intermediary
319. glucose	369. homologous	419. interpreter
320. gnomon	370. honeysuckle	420. intricacy
321. gondolier	371. hootenanny	421. invertebrate
322. good-natured	372. hospitality	422. investigation
323. Gothic	373. household	423. irrelevant
324. governess	374. hullabaloo	424. irresponsible
325. graduation	375. humdrum	425. isosceles
326. graffiti	376. humor	426. jabot
327. graphically	377. hundredth	427. jack-in-the-box
328. greasepaint	378. hydraulic	428. jambalaya
329. Grecian	379. hydroponics	429. jaundice
330. grievously	380. hyperventilation	430. jennet
331. grogginess	381. hypnotist	431. jeweler, jeweller
332. groomsman	382. hypothesis	432. jimsonweed, Jimsonweed
333. groundwork	383. hysterical	433. jodhpur
334. grubstake	384. ichthyology	434. johnnycake
335. guacamole	385. identification	435. Joshua tree
336. guileless	386. iguana	436. jostle
337. guiltiness	387. ill-advised	437. joystick
338. gunnysack	388. imbue	438. judicious
339. gustatory	389. imminent	439. Juneberry
340. gyrfalcon	390. immortality	440. junket
341. gyrocompass	391. impalpable	441. junto
342. habitat	392. impeccable	442. jurisprudence
343. haddock	393. implode	443. juror
344. hallelujah	394. impractical	444. Kabuki
345. harassment	395. inalienable	445. kaleidoscope
346. hardheaded	396. inarticulate	446. karaoke
347. harmonization	397. incinerate	447. katydid
348. harpsichord	398. inclination	448. kerosene, kerosine
349. hazardous	399. incognito	449. kilogram
350. headmistress	400. incombustible	450. kindliness

Grades 7–8 (cont'd)

451.	kingpin	501.	maestro	551.	negligible
452.	kitchenette	502.	magisterial	552.	neophyte
453.	kittenish	503.	magnetosphere	553.	nervousness
454.	kleptomania	504.	magnification	554.	neurology
455.	kneecap	505.	malachite	555.	neutralization
456.	kohlrabi	506.	malinger	556.	newlywed
457.	Korean	507.	mammoth	557.	nicotine
458.	kowtow	508.	managerial	558.	nightingale
459.	kung fu	509.	maneuverable	559.	Nipponese
460.	laconically	510.	manicure	560.	nobility
461.	laggard	511.	manipulator	561.	noise pollution
462.	lapidary	512.	marinade	562.	no-man's-land
463.	latitude	513.	marzipan	563.	nomogram
464.	lattice	514.	mascot	564.	nonbusiness
465.	laughable	515.	mathematical	565.	nonconformity
466.	leadership	516.	matinee, matinée	566.	noncontagious
467.	lean-to	517.	matriarchy	567.	noninterference
468.	lecturing	518.	measurement	568.	nonmilitant
469.	leery	519.	meddlesome	569.	no-nonsense
470.	legislation	520.	memento	570.	nonresistant
471.	legume	521.	menagerie	571.	nonstandard
472.	lentil	522.	mesquite (tree)	572.	normalcy
473.	leprosy	523.	metastasis	573.	Norwegian
474.	letterhead	524.	meteorite	574.	nostalgia
475.	leukemia	525.	microorganism	575.	noteworthy
476.	liability	526.	militia	576.	notification
477.	libeler, libeller	527.	mincemeat	577.	novelties
478.	Libra	528.	mischievous	578.	numerator
479.	librarian	529.	mispronounce	579.	nuptial
480.	lieutenant	530.	moccasin	580.	nylon
481.	life expectancy	531.	modifier	581.	obedience
482.	ligature	532.	molasses	582.	objectionable
483.	likelihood	533.	molecular	583.	obligation
484.	limelight	534.	monarchy	584.	oblivion
485.	limitless	535.	monogram	585.	observance
486.	lingo	536.	monstrosity	586.	obsidian
487.	lintel	537.	moralistic	587.	obtuse
488.	lithography	538.	mournfully	588.	occupant
489.	localism	539.	multiplicity	589.	ocher, ochre
490.	logician	540.	muscular	590.	odious
491.	longitudinal	541.	mystique	591.	offhanded
492.	loquacious	542.	namely	592.	officeholder
493.	loudest	543.	nanotechnology	593.	old-fashioned
494.	lowbrow	544.	narcosis	594.	oleomargarine
495.	luau	545.	nationalist	595.	omnipotence
496.	lucre	546.	naturalization	596.	onomastics
497.	luminary	547.	nautical	597.	oozing
498.	luncheonette	548.	navigable	598.	operetta
499.	lymphatic	549.	necessary	599.	opportune
500.	macaroni	550.	neckerchief	600.	optical illusion

Grades 7–8 (cont'd)

601. optometrist	651. posthumous	701. registration
602. oracle	652. preamble	702. regression
603. ordinarily	653. precarious	703. reinterpret
604. orientation	654. precautionary	704. rejuvenate
605. orison	655. precipitate	705. reluctance
606. ornamented	656. predatory	706. reminisce
607. orthodox (traditional)	657. predecessor	707. rendition
608. oscilloscope	658. premonition	708. reposition
609. osteopath	659. preposition	709. reprisal
610. outerwear	660. privilege	710. requirement
611. outmaneuver	661. proofread	711. resemblance
612. overachiever	662. proponent	712. resignation
613. overpopulate	663. provision	713. respiration
614. overweening	664. psychology	714. resurgent
615. ownership	665. publisher	715. resuscitate
616. oxygen mask	666. pulmonary	716. retrospective
617. painkiller	667. purchasable	717. revelry
618. palisade	668. purposeful	718. reverberate
619. pandemonium	669. puzzlement	719. rhinoceros
620. panorama	670. quadriplegic	720. rhombus
621. parabola	671. quadruped	721. righteous
622. parallelism	672. qualification	722. rigamarole, rigamarole
623. paraphernalia	673. quarterstaff	723. rivulet
624. parliament	674. quartzite	724. rogue
625. parolee	675. Quaternary	725. romanticize
626. particular	676. queasiness	726. roster
627. pastrami	677. questionnaire	727. rotisserie
628. pathological	678. quibble	728. rudiment
629. patriot	679. quinine	729. Russian
630. pentathlon	680. quintessence	730. sacramental
631. peppermint	681. quisling	731. sacrificial
632. percussionist	682. quoit	732. sagebrush
633. perennial	683. rabble	733. salutatorian
634. permanence	684. radiance	734. sapling
635. perpendicular	685. radiosonde	735. sauerkraut
636. perseverance	686. raiment	736. schizophrenia
637. perspective	687. rapacious	737. screenwriter
638. persuasion	688. reactant	738. scrupulous
639. petrifying	689. readership	739. search engine
640. phenomenon	690. realign	740. segregated
641. philanthropy	691. reassurance	741. selenium
642. phraseology	692. reciprocate	742. semantics
643. physicist	693. recitation	743. semiconscious
644. piteous	694. reckoning	744. sequence
645. plagiarist	695. recollection	745. severance
646. plesiosaur	696. reconsider	746. shadowy
647. polarize	697. recriminate	747. singularity
648. pomegranate	698. redundant	748. Sirius
649. portentous	699. reflection	749. skepticism
650. posterity	700. regalia	750. smorgasbord

Grades 7–8 (cont'd)

751. snaggletooth	801. tonnage	851. valedictorian
752. sobriety	802. tonsillectomy	852. valise
753. socialism	803. topography	853. vanishing point
754. sophomore	804. torpedoes	854. variability
755. spandex	805. tostada	855. varlet
756. spasmodic	806. totalitarian	856. velveteen
757. spatula	807. townspeople	857. venomous
758. spontaneity	808. tragedian	858. veracity
759. sporadic	809. trampoline	859. verbatim
760. squelch	810. transcription	860. verbiage
761. stalemate	811. transitive	861. verification
762. statistician	812. travail	862. vermicelli
763. steeplechase	813. treadmill	863. vexation
764. stipend	814. trellis	864. viability
765. strenuous	815. trilateral	865. Victorian
766. stupendous	816. triumphant	866. vigilance
767. subscription	817. trousers	867. vinegary
768. substitute	818. trowel	868. violation
769. successor	819. tsunami	869. virologist
770. sufferance	820. tuberculosis	870. visualization
771. suffocation	821. tumult	871. vociferate
772. sumptuous	822. turnstile	872. voluminous
773. superabundant	823. turpentine	873. voracious
774. superlative	824. tutorial	874. waggery
775. supersonic	825. tuxedo	875. wainscot
776. supposition	826. twerp	876. warden
777. supremacy	827. tyrannical	877. watercress
778. suspended animation	828. ukulele	878. waterproof
779. suspicious	829. ultimatum	879. whippersnapper
780. symmetrical	830. umbrage	880. wholesaler
781. synthesizer	831. unabridged	881. williwaw
782. tableau	832. unanimous	882. windswept
783. taciturn	833. unappetizing	883. witticism
784. taro (tropical plant)	834. unchangeable	884. wizen
785. taskmaster	835. unconscionable	885. woebegone
786. technologist	836. undeniable	886. worrisome
787. telepathy	837. underdeveloped	887. wriggler
788. temerity	838. unequivocal	888. wristband
789. temperance	839. unicellular	889. x-coordinate
790. tenderhearted	840. unintentional	890. xerophytic
791. tenure	841. unquestionable	891. xylophone
792. terminus	842. unrelenting	892. yammer
793. terrifying	843. unsymmetrical	893. yesteryear
794. territorial	844. untenable	894. yucca
795. theorize	845. upholstery	895. zaniest
796. thesis	846. upstanding	896. zeppelin
797. thighbone	847. urgency	897. zirconium
798. thrombosis	848. usurer	898. zither
799. tiddleywinks, tiddlywinks	849. utilitarian	899. zoologist
800. tomahawk	850. vaccination	900. zucchini



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