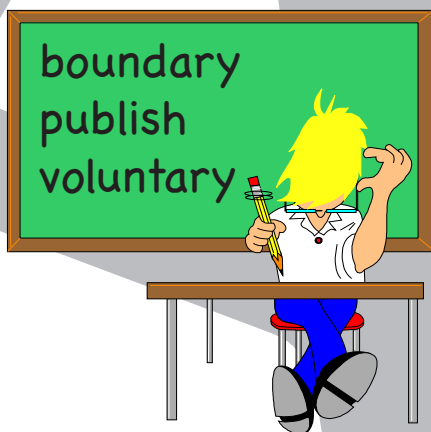


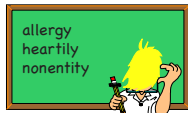
Spelling List

2025-2026

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: alligator (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.



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

1. abduction	51. bouquet	101. deflate
2. abnormal	52. bowlegged	102. depend
3. accountant	53. bowling	103. deposit
4. accurate	54. brassy	104. deputy
5. actress	55. breakfast	105. destiny
6. adjust	56. brilliant	106. detach
7. admire	57. buffalo (animal)	107. diagram
8. adverb	58. burglary	108. difficult
9. agreement	59. bursting	109. digest
10. airport	60. buttercup	110. discover
11. allowance	61. cameo	111. disordered
12. almost	62. cancer (disease)	112. disown
13. altar (table)	63. candle	113. disturb
14. animated	64. career	114. domino
15. ankle	65. catnip	115. donor
16. answer	66. caught	116. downward
17. antonym	67. cavity	117. drafty
18. anxious	68. certificate	118. dressy
19. apparel	69. channel	119. drone
20. applaud	70. chapter	120. drumstick
21. ashamed	71. chilly	121. dry-clean
22. assemble	72. choosy, choosey	122. dusty
23. atom	73. citizen	123. eager
24. attach	74. cling	124. earlobe
25. attorney	75. clutch	125. earring
26. awaken	76. cobbler	126. earthen
27. awkward	77. college	127. easily
28. baffle	78. collie	128. eastern, Eastern
29. baggage	79. comedy	129. editor
30. balcony	80. commit	130. eggbeater
31. banquet	81. complete	131. eighteen
32. baritone	82. composure	132. elastic
33. barrette	83. comrade	133. elbow
34. basement	84. connect	134. elegant
35. beginner	85. cornflakes	135. elfin
36. behave	86. correction	136. emblem
37. beholder	87. countable	137. emperor
38. belittle	88. coupon	138. enchantment
39. beneath	89. creature	139. endanger
40. between	90. crescent	140. enemy
41. beyond	91. crimson	141. engineer
42. bicycle	92. cringe	142. engrave
43. biscuit	93. cursive	143. entitle
44. blackberry	94. daily	144. equality
45. blazer	95. dainty	145. erase
46. bleach	96. deacon	146. errand
47. blunder	97. decay	147. eruption
48. boast	98. decision	148. evacuate
49. bobsled	99. decode	149. evasion
50. borderline	100. decrease	150. exam

Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

151. exhale	201. grateful	251. indent
152. explain	202. grease	252. infancy
153. explode	203. gripe	253. infect
154. expression	204. grocery	254. initial
155. extreme	205. grouch	255. inkwell
156. fabric	206. growl	256. innate
157. factory	207. grudge	257. innermost
158. famine	208. guesswork	258. innkeeper
159. farsighted	209. gulp	259. inorganic
160. fearful		260. insecure
	210. gumdrop	
161. feather	211. gutsy	261. instep
162. February	212. guzzle	262. intense
163. fetch	213. habitat	263. intent
164. fiction	214. halve	264. interior
165. fierce	215. hammock	265. invade
166. fingerprint	216. handicap	266. involve
167. finish	217. happily	267. irrigate
168. floral	218. harmless	268. isolate
169. fluoride	219. harpoon	269. jackknife
170. foolish	220. haunt	270. jangle
171. forenoon	221. hayloft	271. jasper
172. forever	222. healthy	272. jaywalk
173. forward	223. helpless	273. jell (take shape)
174. foursome	224. heptagon	274. jinx
175. frankly	225. herb	275. jowl
176. freeze	226. hidden	276. jukebox
177. friend	227. hillside	277. jumbo
178. frighten	228. hippo	278. junction
179. frigid	229. hire (employ)	279. keeping
180. frosting	230. historian	280. kettle
181. fruitless	231. hockey	281. kidney
182. furnace	232. holiday	282. kindergarten
183. gallery	233. homework	283. kindred
184. gaseous	234. honest	284. knave
185. gateway	235. horrible	285. krill
186. gather	236. hostage	286. label
187. gavel	237. hostess	287. ladies
188. gecko	238. humanly	288. lamppost
189. generate	239. humble	289. landfill
190. gentleman	240. humbug	290. language
191. geography	241. husband	291. laser
192. germinate	242. icing	292. lava
193. ghastly	243. idolize	293. lawsuit
194. glassware	244. illusion	294. layer
195. glider	245. illustrate	295. leather
196. glisten	246. imagine	296. ledger
197. globally	247. imperial	297. legend
198. goofy	248. important	298. library
199. governor	249. incomplete	299. lifesaving
200. gracious	250. incorrect	300. likewise

Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

301. lilac	351. ninny	401. partial
302. linen	352. nitpick	402. partner
303. livelihood	353. noble	403. passageway
304. lobster	354. nodding	404. pattern
305. locate	355. noisy	405. pavement
306. locomotive	356. nondairy	406. peculiar
307. lonely	357. nonfat	407. penalty
308. loosen	358. noodle	408. performance
309. lopsided	359. nostril	409. period
310. lowercase	360. notebook	410. persuade
311. luckily	361. notice	411. petticoat
312. lunge	362. notify	412. phony, phoney
313. lurk	363. novelist	413. pioneer
314. luxury	364. November	414. plastic
315. macaroon	365. nugget	415. pleasure
316. magician	366. number	416. plywood
317. mainland	367. numerous	417. poison
318. maintain	368. nursery	418. popular
319. mammal	369. nutrition	419. possible
320. manage	370. oath	420. prefix
321. manicure	371. oatmeal	421. pretend
322. material	372. obvious	422. prewash
323. mattress	373. occasion	423. prickly
324. mayor	374. occur	424. provoke
325. melodic	375. ocean	425. pumpkin
326. mental	376. oddball	426. purple
327. merriment	377. offering	427. quake
328. message	378. officer	428. qualified
329. mightily	379. olive	429. quarrel
330. miracle	380. omission	430. quarterly
331. miserable	381. omit	431. queenly
332. mixture	382. open-and-shut	432. question
333. moisture	383. opener	433. quicken
334. moment	384. operable	434. quiet
335. motorist	385. oppose	435. quip
336. multiple	386. optional	436. quitter
337. musician	387. ordain	437. quote
338. nameless	388. ordered	438. rabies
339. narrow	389. organist	439. ragged
340. naughty	390. orphan	440. raincoat
341. nearly	391. outcome	441. random
342. nectarine	392. outrank	442. ranger
343. needfully	393. overtime	443. raspy
344. neighborly	394. overweight	444. rattlesnake
345. neither	395. oyster	445. readily
346. nerve	396. package	446. reason
347. network	397. pamper	447. rebel
348. newsy	398. paperback	448. recover
349. nickel, nickle (coin)	399. parade	449. rectangle
350. ninety	400. parka	450. reflex

Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

451. rehearse	501. tactful	550. uproar
452. relative	502. tadpole	551. upwind
453. relief	503. tailored	552. useful
454. remember	504. talkative	553. utmost
455. republic	505. teacher	554. vacancy
456. request	506. teaspoon	555. vaccine
457. retire	507. telethon	556. valid
458. review	508. tendency	557. vanish
459. revolve	509. terrible	558. varied
460. rhythm	510. texture	559. varnish
		560. vegetable
461. rightful	511. therapy	561. velvety
462. risky	512. thief	562. venison
463. roomy	513. thistle	563. verbal
464. rosy	514. thousand	564. verge
465. routine	515. tidewater	565. verify
466. rubbish	516. timeless	566. victim
467. running	517. tinker	567. violin
468. rural	518. tiresome	568. viper (snake)
469. salsa	519. toddler	569. vision
470. salvage	520. tongue	570. vivid
471. sanitary	521. tradition	571. voice
472. sardine	522. trait	572. volcano
473. satisfy	523. transplant	573. volleyball
474. scissors	524. tremble	574. wafer
475. scoundrel	525. tribute	575. waffle
476. scrawny	526. trickery	576. wail (express sorrow)
477. seasonal	527. tropical	577. wanting
478. sensible	528. trousers	578. wayward
479. separate	529. trumpet	579. weakling
480. shortage	530. tweezers	580. weary
481. shoulder	531. twilight	581. weird
482. signature	532. twitch	582. whimper
483. skillful	533. typical	583. wedding
484. smuggle	534. ultrasound	584. wilderness
485. solution	535. unadorned	585. witness
486. soothe	536. unbuckle	586. worried
487. spaghetti	537. understand	587. wrapper
488. splinter	538. uneaten	588. xebec
489. squirm	539. unhinge	589. Yankee
490. squirrel	540. uniform	590. yardstick
491. standard	541. unity	591. yearbook
492. steeple	542. unlace	592. yellowish
493. straight	543. unload	593. yogurt, yoghurt
494. stylist	544. unplug	594. youngish
495. subscribe	545. unreported	595. yummy
496. success	546. unshaven	596. zeal
497. summon	547. unsinkable	597. zero
498. surface	548. unwise	598. zigzag
499. survey	549. unzip	599. zodiac
500. sympathy		600. zoom

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Grades 5-6 (cont'd)

151. delicatessen	201. energize	251. forgetting
152. delightful	202. engagement	252. formality
153. denominator	203. enliven	253. formulate
154. denture	204. ensue	254. forthcoming
155. despise	205. entertain	255. fortify
156. despondent	206. envisage	256. frailty
157. deterrent	207. equinox	257. franchise
158. devour	208. eradication	258. fraud
159. diagonal	209. escapade	259. freakish
160. difficulty	210. eulogy	260. freshened
161. digestion	211. evaporate	261. fulfill, fulfil
162. dilemma	212. exaggerate	262. function
163. dimension	213. examination	263. gadabout
164. disaster	214. exception	264. gaggle
165. discriminate	215. excursion	265. gallantry
166. dishearten	216. exert	266. gamma
167. dislodge	217. exhibit	267. gardenia
168. dispenser	218. expedition	268. generally
169. distressful	219. experiment	269. generator
170. division	220. expressway	270. genetic engineering
171. do-it-yourself (adj.)	221. exquisite	271. geographer
172. domesticate	222. exuberance	272. gesturing
173. dormancy	223. eyewitness	273. gewgaw
174. dowdy	224. facility	274. ghetto
175. downgrade	225. failing	275. giddily
176. dreadful	226. familiar	276. gladiator
177. dreary	227. fantasy, phantasy	277. glittery
178. drudgery	228. fast-forward	278. global
179. duplex	229. fatality	279. glossary
180. duplicate	230. fatherly	280. glowworm
181. durable	231. fathom	281. glucose
182. earthenware	232. favoritism	282. goalie
183. ecology	233. fellowship	283. go-between
184. ecstatic	234. felon	284. goober
185. effortless	235. fertilizer	285. gooseflesh
186. egocentric	236. fester	286. gopher
187. election	237. fetching	287. goulash
188. electronics	238. fictitious	288. gourmet
189. elementary	239. fidgety	289. grammar
190. embargo	240. filibuster	290. grandeur
191. embarrass	241. filthy	291. granular
192. embellish	242. financier	292. gratuitous
193. emergency	243. fireproof	293. gravitate
194. emission	244. flagship	294. greenhouse effect
195. employment	245. flattery	295. gremlin
196. emptying	246. flimsy	296. grimness
197. enamel	247. flourish	297. groundwork
198. encourage	248. fluent	298. gruesome
199. encumber	249. forecast	299. guffaw
200. endearment	250. foremost	300. gusher

Grades 5-6 (cont'd)

301. gymnast	351. immaculate	401. kettledrum
302. halfhearted	352. immaterial	402. kickstand
303. halibut	353. immoral	403. kilogram
304. hallmark	354. impacted	404. kilt
305. handkerchief	355. impairment	405. kindle
306. handling	356. impersonal	406. kinetic
307. handwritten	357. improvement	407. kneecap
308. haphazard	358. impurity	408. knee-deep
309. hardening	359. inaudible	409. knickknack
310. harebrained	360. inaugurate	410. knightly
311. harmonious	361. inclusion	411. knoll
312. harvest moon	362. increasingly	412. knotted
313. hastily	363. industrial	413. koala
314. hazing	364. inexcusable	414. laceration
315. heartily	365. inflation	415. lacquer
316. heckle	366. inflict	416. ladylike
317. heiress	367. injunction	417. lanolin
318. helium	368. inoculate	418. larynx
319. henpeck	369. insecticide	419. lateral
320. hermitage	370. instrument	420. laughter
321. heroism	371. intelligence	421. laurel
322. hesitating	372. interlude	422. lazyish
323. hibernate	373. interrupt	423. leaden
324. hiccup, hiccough	374. interspace	424. leadership
325. hijack, high-jack	375. intolerant	425. leech (worm)
326. homecoming	376. intruding	426. legendary
327. hominy	377. inventor	427. legislator
328. honestly	378. invisible	428. letterhead
329. honeysuckle	379. iodine	429. levator
330. hopefully	380. ironic	430. libel
331. hopscotch	381. irritable	431. liberal
332. hospital	382. italicize	432. lifestyle
333. hourglass	383. jackrabbit	433. ligament
334. hubbub	384. Japanese	434. lightweight
335. huckleberry	385. javelin	435. limitation
336. humanity	386. jealousy	436. linebacker
337. humdrum	387. jet stream	437. linguist
338. hydroplane	388. jewelry	438. literacy
339. hygiene	389. jittery	439. loathsome
340. hyperlink	390. jokingly	440. locust
341. hypnotism	391. journalist	441. lodging
342. icebreaker	392. jovial	442. lonesomeness
343. icon, ikon	393. joystick	443. longitude
344. identically	394. judgment, judgement	444. lordly
345. identifiable	395. juvenile	445. loudspeaker
346. ignition	396. Kabuki	446. lounging
347. ignorant	397. kangaroo	447. low-grade
348. illiterate	398. karate	448. lurch
349. illogical	399. kazoo	449. lusciousness
350. imaginary	400. kerchief	450. luster, lustre

Grades 5-6 (cont'd)

451. macaw	501. Neptune	551. originality
452. magenta	502. nestling	552. ornateness
453. magnetizable	503. neutrality	553. osmosis
454. mahogany	504. newlywed	554. ossify
455. maladjusted	505. nicety	555. outerwear
456. malaria	506. nigh	556. outfitted
457. malformation	507. nightfall	557. outsider
458. mammoth	508. nineteen	558. outspoken
459. manifold	509. nitrite	559. overcritical
460. manipulate	510. nocturnal	560. overstuffed
461. marginal	511. nominee	561. overturn
462. marshmallow	512. nonmetallic	562. owl
463. marsupial	513. nonthreatening	563. ownership
464. mathematics	514. nontraditional	564. ozone
465. mawkish	515. normality	565. painkiller
466. meander	516. Northerner	566. palatable
467. meaningless	517. notable	567. pancreas
468. measurement	518. notarize	568. paraffin
469. mediate	519. nourishment	569. paragraph
470. memoir	520. nova	570. parentage
471. memorable	521. nowadays	571. parsonage
472. merciless	522. nucleus	572. patience
473. mesmerize	523. numerical	573. patriotism
474. mettlesome	524. nurseryman	574. paunchy
475. microphone	525. nurturing	575. pedestrian
476. migraine	526. nutritional	576. peninsula
477. millionaire	527. nuttiness	577. penmanship
478. minimize	528. obesity	578. pension
479. minuet	529. objection	579. perceive
480. misdemeanor	530. obligatory	580. perform
481. misfortune	531. obscurity	581. perishable
482. missile	532. obsession	582. permanent
483. missionary	533. occurrence	583. persistent
484. modular	534. octagon	584. personalize
485. molecule	535. odorous	585. pertain
486. momentary	536. oldish	586. philosophy
487. monstrous	537. olfaction	587. planetarium
488. monument	538. omelet, omelette	588. plaque
489. motive	539. omen	589. pollution
490. multicultural	540. once-over	590. ponderous
491. mutiny	541. oneself	591. population
492. mutual	542. opaque	592. portrayal
493. mythical	543. openmouthed	593. postpone
494. nailbrush	544. opportunity	594. potatoes
495. narrative	545. opposition	595. precipitation
496. nationality	546. optician	596. precisely
497. natty	547. opus	597. predator
498. nausea	548. oratory	598. prevailing
499. needlepoint	549. orchestrate	599. previous
500. negation	550. organism	600. printable

Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

601. progressive	651. rinsing	701. tandem
602. prominent	652. roommate	702. tangible
603. property	653. roster	703. tattoo
604. pulsate	654. roustabout	704. taxpayer
605. pyramid	655. rummy	705. teammate
606. quaking	656. rumored	706. technique
607. qualify	657. saintly	707. telegram
608. quarrelsome	658. sanctify	708. temperate
609. quarto	659. sanctuary	709. tendon
610. quickening	660. satisfaction	710. terminal
611. quintillion	661. scenario	711. testimonial
612. quipped	662. scenic	712. theatergoer
613. quittance	663. scientific	713. thenceforth
614. raccoon, racoon	664. scrunch	714. therapist
615. racecourse	665. secluded	715. thickset
616. racket, racquet	666. segregate	716. threadbare
617. radiology	667. selection	717. thunderous
618. rallying	668. seminary	718. thyroid
619. rancid	669. sensibility	719. tiller
620. ravenous	670. session	720. titanic
621. rayon	671. shadowy	721. toffee, toffy
622. reactor	672. shamefaced	722. tolerant
623. reality	673. shredded	723. toolshed
624. recede	674. similarity	724. topaz
625. receipt	675. simplify	725. torturous
626. receptionist	676. situate	726. towhead
627. recondition	677. skeletal	727. toxic
628. reconsider	678. slanderous	728. transcript
629. referendum	679. sleepwalk	729. transgress
630. reflective	680. sociology	730. translucent
631. refugee	681. solace	731. tributary
632. regardless	682. somersault	732. trillion
633. relative humidity	683. southwesterly	733. tubular
634. reliable	684. spectator	734. turmoil
635. reluctant	685. speculation	735. tutorial
636. repetitious	686. squeamish	736. tuxedo
637. rephrase	687. statistical	737. typhoon
638. replenish	688. stature	738. ulster
639. reputation	689. stencil	739. ultimate
640. reservoir	690. subdivision	740. unaware
641. residue	691. submerge	741. unbalanced
642. resourceful	692. submissive	742. unbeatable
643. response	693. supervision	743. uncluttered
644. retrieval	694. suppress	744. underage
645. reunite	695. surgeon	745. unearthly
646. revival	696. surrender	746. ungrateful
647. revolution	697. suspense	747. unique
648. rhapsody	698. symphony	748. unitarian, Unitarian
649. riddance	699. tablespoonful	749. united
650. rigorous	700. tabloid	750. unrighteous

Grades 5-6 (cont'd)

- 751. unsportsmanlike
- 752. untouchable
- 753. upstream
- 754. Uranus
- 755. vagrancy
- 756. vague
- 757. vandalize
- 758. variance
- 759. varicolored
- 760. vegan

- 761. vegetation
- 762. vein
- 763. ventilate
- 764. verbally
- 765. versatile
- 766. vertebra
- 767. vertically
- 768. vessel
- 769. Virgo
- 770. virtuous

- 771. vitamin
- 772. voiceless
- 773. voluntarily
- 774. voucher
- 775. vulnerable
- 776. waft
- 777. wandering
- 778. warbling
- 779. warmhearted
- 780. warrior

- 781. washbasin
- 782. watchful
- 783. watercolor
- 784. wedlock
- 785. whence
- 786. whichever
- 787. whispery
- 788. wingspread
- 789. wistful
- 790. withdrawn

- 791. worthy
- 792. wristband
- 793. xerophyte
- 794. yak
- 795. yammering
- 796. yard sale
- 797. yielding
- 798. yippee (delight)
- 799. zinc
- 800. zombie, zombi

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1. aberrant	51. avowal	101. cauliflower
2. abnegate	52. azure	102. centenarian
3. abracadabra	53. bacteriologist	103. centripetal
4. abundance	54. baguette	104. ceremonious
5. accelerator	55. banister, bannister	105. chauvinism
6. accompaniment	56. barnacle	106. Cherokee
7. acquaintance	57. barrier reef	107. chinchilla
8. adherence	58. bazaar (rows of shops)	108. choleric
9. adjacent	59. beauteous	109. chromosome
10. adjournment	60. bedraggled	110. chronicle
11. admissible	61. behavioral	111. cinematographer
12. adolescence	62. belie	112. circumscribe
13. adrenaline	63. bemuse	113. claimant
14. advantageous	64. benefited, benefitted	114. claustrophobia
15. adventuresome	65. bequest	115. cliché
16. adversity	66. Bermuda grass	116. cloister
17. advisory	67. besiege	117. coagulate
18. aerodynamics	68. bibulous	118. cogitate
19. affidavit	69. biennial	119. coincident
20. agnostic	70. biographical	120. collagen
21. alcoholism	71. biotechnology	121. collateral
22. algebraic	72. bisque	122. colonization
23. allergen	73. blithe	123. commencement
24. almshouse	74. bogeyman	124. commensurate
25. ambiguous	75. bombastically	125. commitment
26. ambulatory	76. bookmobile	126. comparative
27. amenable	77. borscht, borsch	127. compensation
28. amplitude	78. boudoir	128. complacency
29. anaconda	79. boutonniere	129. compulsory
30. anesthetist	80. boycott	130. conceive
31. anguished	81. brazier	131. concussion
32. annoying	82. breaststroke	132. consecutive
33. antagonism	83. breathlessness	133. consensus
34. antecedent	84. briefcase	134. consistency
35. anthology	85. brilliance	135. consumable
36. apologist	86. bronchitis	136. contagious
37. Appaloosa	87. brownstone	137. contemptuous
38. appertain	88. Buddhism	138. contrite
39. approbation	89. bulwark	139. convoluted
40. approximate	90. burnoose, burnous	140. cooperation
41. archaic	91. butterfingers	141. cortisone
42. argumentative	92. bylaw	142. cosmopolitan
43. assessment	93. byte	143. counterintelligence
44. assurance	94. calamity	144. courageous
45. asterisk	95. cancellation	145. courtesy
46. attribute	96. captivity	146. crevasse
47. auctioneer	97. caricature	147. cruelest, cruellest
48. auspicious	98. carnivorous	148. crypt
49. autobiography	99. catastrophic	149. curvature
50. automaton	100. catechism	150. dangerously

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151. dappled	201. effortlessly	251. finality
152. Darwinism	202. electrolyte	252. finesse
153. debutante	203. eliminate	253. fissure
154. decadence	204. elongated	254. flamboyant
155. deciduous	205. eloquence	255. flotation, floatation
156. decisiveness	206. elucidate	256. flout
157. decomposition	207. embattle	257. fluky, flukey
158. dedication	208. emeritus	258. fluoridate
159. defiance	209. emotionally	259. folksinger
160. definitive	210. encephalitis	260. fomentation
161. defunct	211. encipher	261. forensic
162. delinquent	212. encumbrance	262. foreordain
163. delirium	213. enlightenment	263. forestation
164. demarcate	214. enormously	264. forethought
165. demerit	215. enterprising	265. forgiveness
166. demographic	216. enthusiastic	266. formidable
167. demonstration	217. enunciation	267. fortissimo
168. denomination	218. epicycle	268. fortuitous
169. dependence	219. equatorial	269. foundational
170. dermatology	220. equidistant	270. frankincense
171. desperado	221. equivocal	271. friable
172. destination	222. espionage	272. frippery
173. destitute	223. ethanol	273. frontiersman
174. deterrence	224. etymology	274. frowsy, frowzy
175. detrimental	225. eventually	275. frustration
176. devastate	226. evolutionary	276. fuchsia
177. devoid	227. exaggeration	277. full-service
178. diabetes	228. exaltation	278. fumigate
179. diabolical	229. exasperation	279. fundamental
180. dilute	230. excellence	280. furtively
181. diphthong	231. exceptional	281. fuselage
182. diplomacy	232. exemplar	282. gabardine
183. disavow	233. exertion	283. gainsay
184. disintegrate	234. exhaustion	284. galleon
185. disparagement	235. expectancy	285. gamut
186. dissemble	236. expedient	286. gastropod
187. dissonant	237. exploitation	287. gawkiness
188. distraught	238. extravagant	288. gearbox
189. diversity	239. facetious	289. geneticist
190. doctorate	240. face-to-face	290. genotype
191. documentation	241. facilitate	291. genuflect
192. dowager	242. factorial	292. genuinely
193. duffel	243. Fahrenheit	293. geochemistry
194. duplication	244. fallible	294. germane
195. eavesdropper	245. farsightedness	295. gerrymander
196. eccentricity	246. feign	296. ghastliness
197. echoic	247. felicity	297. gimmick
198. economics	248. feral	298. gingham
199. edifice	249. feudalism	299. ginseng
200. efficient	250. figurine	300. gladsome

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301. glaucoma	351. hostelry	401. insurgency
302. global warming	352. household	402. intimidation
303. gnome	353. hoyden	403. intricacy
304. gondolier	354. humidify	404. intuitive
305. governess	355. humorous	405. inveigh
306. gracelessly	356. hundredth	406. investigation
307. graciousness	357. hydroponics	407. irrelevant
308. graduation	358. hygienist	408. irresponsible
309. graffiti	359. hyperventilation	409. isotope
310. grammatical	360. hypothermia	410. jack-in-the-box
311. graphically	361. hypothesis	411. jaggedly
312. grassland	362. ichthyology	412. jaundice
313. gravelly	363. idolatry	413. jealousy
314. grievously	364. ignorance	414. jeweler, jeweller
315. gristmill	365. ill-advised	415. jingling
316. grogginess	366. illumination	416. jocund
317. grubstake	367. immediacy	417. jodhpur
318. guarantor	368. imminent	418. John Doe
319. guileless	369. immortality	419. jonquil
320. gullible	370. impalpable	420. jostle
321. gustatory	371. impassive	421. journeying
322. gymnastics	372. impede	422. juncture
323. gyrocompass	373. imperious	423. Juneberry
324. habitual	374. implicit	424. junto
325. haddock	375. impractical	425. juror
326. harangue	376. inaccessible	426. kaiser
327. harassment	377. inarticulate	427. karaoke
328. harpooner	378. inauguration	428. kerosene, kerosine
329. hazardous	379. incisive	429. kickback (n.)
330. headmistress	380. inclination	430. kilobyte
331. hearthstone	381. incombustible	431. kindness
332. heat exhaustion	382. incommunicado	432. kingpin
333. heavenward	383. incorruptible	433. kiosk
334. heightened	384. increment	434. kleptomania
335. helm	385. indebtedness	435. knowledgeable
336. hemorrhage	386. independence	436. kohlrabi
337. heritable	387. indescribable	437. kola nut
338. heroically	388. indigenous	438. kowtow
339. hesitancy	389. indigestible	439. kung fu
340. hiatus	390. indisposed	440. laborsaving
341. hieroglyphic	391. inevitable	441. lament
342. Hinduism	392. inexpressive	442. lamprey
343. hireling	393. inflammable	443. languish
344. hobnob	394. inflationary	444. latency
345. hodgepodge	395. infrared	445. latitude
346. holographic	396. ingenious	446. lattice
347. homicidal	397. ingredient	447. lean-to
348. homing pigeon	398. innuendo	448. leatherneck
349. horizontally	399. inquisitor	449. leery
350. hospitalization	400. insufficient	450. legalization

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451. legionnaire	501. mercifully	551. nonsensical
452. legitimacy	502. metaphor	552. nonstandard
453. legume	503. metaphysics	553. Norwegian
454. leniency	504. metastasis	554. nothingness
455. lentil	505. methanol	555. noticing
456. lethargy	506. microorganism	556. notification
457. leukemia	507. militia	557. notorious
458. liaison	508. miscalculate	558. novelties
459. libeler, libeller	509. miscellaneous	559. numerator
460. liberated	510. moccasin	560. nutritionist
461. lien (debt)	511. modification	561. nylon
462. lieutenant	512. modifier	562. obeyed
463. life expectancy	513. molecular	563. obligation
464. ligature	514. momentous	564. oblivion
465. limelight	515. monogram	565. observatory
466. linseed	516. motorcade	566. obsidian
467. lintel	517. mountaineering	567. obstreperous
468. lissome, lissom	518. mournfully	568. obtrusive
469. lithography	519. mozzarella	569. obviousness
470. localism	520. muscular	570. occasionally
471. logistics	521. musicality	571. occupant
472. longitudinal	522. mystique	572. occurring
473. lorry	523. nanotechnology	573. oceanographer
474. lowbrow	524. narcosis	574. odyssey
475. luau	525. naturalization	575. offhanded
476. lubricant	526. nauseating	576. old-fashioned
477. lugubrious	527. nautical	577. olfactory
478. luminary	528. navigating	578. omnipotence
479. lymphatic	529. nebula	579. onerous
480. mademoiselle	530. necessary	580. oozing
481. magisterial	531. neckerchief	581. opinionated
482. magnanimous	532. negligence	582. oppressive
483. magnetism	533. nemesis	583. optical illusion
484. magnification	534. neophyte	584. optimum
485. malachite	535. nervousness	585. opulence
486. managerial	536. neurology	586. oracle
487. maneuver	537. nicotine	587. orchestral
488. manifesto	538. nimbostratus	588. ordinarily
489. marathoner	539. Nipponese	589. orientation
490. marginalize	540. nocturne	590. orifice
491. marinade	541. noise pollution	591. orthodox (traditional)
492. martyr	542. nomination	592. orthopedist
493. marzipan	543. nonbusiness	593. oscilloscope
494. masquerade	544. nonconformity	594. ostentatious
495. mathematical	545. nondescript	595. osteopath
496. matinee, matinée	546. nonessential	596. outcropping
497. measurable	547. nonillion	597. outmaneuver
498. mechanism	548. nonintervention	598. overactive
499. medicinal	549. nonmilitant	599. overzealous
500. menagerie	550. nonresistant	600. oxygenate

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601. pallbearer	651. protocol	701. repugnant
602. palpable	652. provision	702. resemblance
603. pandemonium	653. psychiatry	703. respiration
604. paprika	654. publisher	704. responsibility
605. parabola	655. pulmonary	705. resurgent
606. parallelism	656. purposeful	706. resurrect
607. paralyzed	657. pursuit	707. retractile
608. parliament	658. putrefaction	708. revelry
609. parochial	659. quadrille	709. reversible
610. particularize	660. quadruple	710. rhinoceros
611. pastrami	661. qualification	711. rhombus
612. pathological	662. quandary	712. Richter scale
613. patiently	663. quartzite	713. rigmarole, rigamarole
614. patrol	664. quavering	714. ritualism
615. pentathlon	665. queasiness	715. roister
616. peppermint	666. questionably	716. romanticize
617. peremptory	667. quibble	717. rosin
618. perimeter	668. quicksilver	718. routinely
619. permanence	669. quilt	719. rudiment
620. peroxide	670. quisling	720. rumpus
621. perpendicular	671. quixotic	721. rye bread
622. perseverance	672. quota	722. sacramental
623. personify	673. rabble	723. sacrificial
624. persuasion	674. racquetball	724. safflower
625. pertinent	675. radiance	725. sandalwood
626. pharmaceutical	676. raiment	726. sanitation
627. phenomenal	677. rambunctious	727. sauerkraut
628. philanthropy	678. ratchet	728. scathing
629. phraseology	679. razorback	729. scrappiness
630. physicist	680. realign	730. screenwriter
631. piteous	681. rebellious	731. search engine
632. pithy	682. reciprocate	732. segregated
633. placidity	683. reckoning	733. seismograph
634. pneumonia	684. recognition	734. self-confidence
635. polarize	685. recriminate	735. semiconscious
636. pompous	686. recyclable	736. sequential
637. portentous	687. redemption	737. serendipity
638. postern	688. refrigerator	738. severance
639. posthumous	689. registration	739. sharecropper
640. practically	690. regression	740. shellac
641. praline	691. rehabilitate	741. simultaneous
642. preamble	692. reinforcement	742. singularity
643. precedent	693. rejuvenate	743. skepticism
644. precipitate	694. reminisce	744. sobriety
645. predecessor	695. remission	745. socialism
646. premeditation	696. remunerate	746. solitaire
647. premonition	697. repercussion	747. souvenir
648. preposterous	698. replicate	748. spandex
649. privilege	699. reprehend	749. spatula
650. proclamation	700. reprisal	750. specification

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751. spontaneous	801. tostada	851. valise
752. spoonerism	802. totalitarian	852. variability
753. stalemate	803. tourniquet	853. varmint
754. steeplechase	804. trajectory	854. velveteen
755. stenographer	805. transcription	855. vengeance
756. stimulus	806. transfusion	856. verbatim
757. stipend	807. transitive	857. verification
758. stratosphere	808. translucency	858. vexation
759. stupendous	809. transparent	859. vibrancy
760. subsidize	810. treadle	860. vicarious
761. subtrahend	811. tremolo	861. victimize
762. successor	812. trigonometry	862. Victorian
763. sucrose	813. trilateral	863. videographer
764. suffocation	814. trite	864. vindictive
765. suffrage	815. triumphant	865. violation
766. superabundant	816. trowel	866. virologist
767. supernova	817. truancy	867. visionary
768. supersonic	818. trudge	868. visualization
769. superstitious	819. tuberculosis	869. vivacious
770. surveillance	820. tuffet	870. voluminous
771. suspended animation	821. tumult	871. wainscot
772. suspicious	822. tureen	872. walkie-talkie
773. sustenance	823. turpentine	873. watercress
774. symptomatic	824. turtledove	874. watermark
775. syndrome	825. typhoid	875. water-resistant
776. synthesizer	826. tyrannical	876. weatherproof
777. tabulate	827. ultraviolet	877. wherewithal
778. taciturn	828. umbrage	878. whippersnapper
779. tallyho	829. unabridged	879. whoosh
780. tasteless	830. unappealing	880. windjammer
781. technologist	831. unbelievable	881. windswept
782. tectonics	832. uncharitable	882. wiretap
783. telemarketer	833. unconscionable	883. witted
784. temerity	834. undeniable	884. wizen
785. temperance	835. underhandedly	885. woebegone
786. temporal	836. unequivocal	886. wormwood
787. tenure	837. unfounded	887. wreathe
788. terrestrial	838. unicellular	888. wriggler
789. territorial	839. unimaginable	889. wrought iron
790. thematic	840. unintelligible	890. xerophytic
791. theorize	841. unrelenting	891. xylophonist
792. thermometer	842. unsheathe	892. yeoman
793. thesis	843. untenable	893. yesteryear
794. thrombosis	844. upheaval	894. yodel
795. throughout	845. upholstery	895. zaniest
796. timidity	846. uppermost	896. zealot
797. tolerance	847. urgency	897. zenith
798. tonnage	848. utilization	898. zirconium
799. tonsillitis	849. vaccination	899. zoning
800. topography	850. validate	900. zucchini



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