

The Words for Spelling Bee Competition

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Word	Sentences
ability	A person of his ability will have no difficulty getting a job.
academic	The academic year begins in September.
accommodation	This government will not make any accommodation to terrorist
acquaintance	I made his acquaintance at a party.
advertise	It's very expensive to advertise on television.
acceptable	One or two mistakes are acceptable but no more than that.
aggression	This is an intolerable act of aggression against my country.
admission	Admissions to universities have increased by 15% this year.
afraid	I was too afraid to answer the door.
ambiguous	That's an awfully ambiguous statement – what exactly do you mean?
announce	We are pleased to announce the opening of our new store.
apologize	I sincerely apologize for taking so long to reply to your letter.
appetizer	My appetizer is salad.
alternative	an alternative site for a new building
assassinate	an assassination attempt
atmosphere	There was a tense atmosphere during the final minutes of the game.
attention	The bride is always the center of attention
author	a well-known author of detective novels
availability	the availability of health care in rural areas
awesome	We went to an awesome party at Dave's house.
background	We get along really well together in spite of our different backgrounds .
balance	I had to balance on the top step of the ladder to paint the ceiling.
bear	a black bear is in the jungle.
behavior	Her behavior has been very strange recently.
benefit	A change in the law would be to everyone's benefit.
beverage	My beverage is milk.
birth certificate	I lost my birth certificate on the bus.
blame	The teacher blamed me for the accident.
bluff	They tried to bluff their parents into believing there was no school that day.
boundary	The highway is the boundary between the two counties.
bypass	It's no good trying to bypass the problem.
campaign	Bush's presidential campaign
category	There were two categories in the contest: teams and individuals.
challenging	a challenging job
charming	He wrote a charming poem for his grandmother's birthday.
chronological	a list of events arranged in chronological order
circumstance	I'm not sure what I would do under those circumstances
coincidence	By pure coincidence, I found myself sitting next to an old friend from school.

compulsive	compulsive eating , a compulsive gambler
confession	The suspect made a full confession to the police.
dealing	We are investigating his financial dealings with known criminals.
declare	You must declare all your income on this form.
definitely	We definitely can't afford such a high price.
deliberate	Was it an accident or was it deliberate?
demonstration	This accident is a clear demonstration of the system's faults.
desirable	Experience is desirable but not essential for this job.
dialect	a local dialect
dimension	the full dimensions of a problem
discipline	It takes a lot of self-discipline to practice for three hours a day.
disgusting	What a disgusting smell!
documentary	a documentary on/about life in Arctic
drain	Just pour the rest of that stuff down the drain.
driving license	I got driving license yesterday.
durable	a durable fabric
economy	The economy of the country is based on agriculture.
education	She received an excellent education.
element	Cost is an important element when we're thinking about our vacation.
emergency	The government has declared a state of emergency.
encourage	The teacher encouraged her students to ask questions.
engaged	Susan is engaged to Jim.
entertainment	There isn't much entertainment for young people in this town.
equivalent	The price of imported cars is higher than that of equivalent American models.
especially	She loves animals, especially dogs.
excitement	The children could not hide their excitement before the trip.
experiment	Researchers often perform experiments on animals
facilitate	to make sth possible or easier
faith	I have lost faith in him.
feature	Noise is a feature of city life.
festival	Hanukkah is an important Jewish festival.
fingerprint	The burglar left his fingerprints all over the house.
fluently	After a year in France she was fluent in French.
foreigner	a person who comes from a country that is not your own
foundation	The construction workers have just started to lay the foundation of the new school.
frustration	Every job has its frustrations.
gambol	He gambols with his good news.
gathering	a family gathering
generalization	a general statement about something that does not consider details
glamorous	She didn't look very glamorous without her makeup.
glossary	a list of special or unusual words and their meanings
gracefully	She accepted the decision gracefully

greenery	attractive green leaves and plants
hairstylist	My brother is the hairstylist.
handicraft	My scarf is made from handicraft.
hawk	Hawks can see small things from very far away.
harbor	The weather was too rough for the fishing boats to leave the harbor yesterday.
humorous	It's a very humorous book.
healthy	a healthy child/animal/plant
identification	We cannot name the victim until a positive identification of the body has been made.
illustrate	These statistics illustrate the point that I was making.
immune	You should be immune to measles if you've had it already.
impression	I want to create an impression of light and space in the house.
independence	In 1776 the United States declared its independence from Britain
insistent	Local residents are insistent on having the hazardous waste moved out of the area.
isolate	We need to isolate all the animals with the disease so that the others don't catch it.
jealous	Tim gets jealous whenever Sue talks to another boy!
judgment	What, in your judgment, would be the best course of action?
junior	A lieutenant is junior to a captain in the army.
kidnapper	The child was kidnapped and \$50,000 was demanded for her release.
kettle	I use the kettle to boil water.
laboratory	a physics laboratory
landscape	The prairie landscape is very flat.
leap	The horse leaped over the wall.
leisure	leisure activities
lifelong	a lifelong friend
literary	a literary journal
luxurious	a luxurious seaside hotel
magnificent	What a magnificent castle!
mention	I wouldn't mention her exams to her – she's feeling nervous.
method	a simple method for calculating loan payments
millionaire	a very rich person
mineral	Vegetables are excellent sources of vitamins and minerals.
miraculous	She made a miraculous recovery from her illness.
mistake	The teacher corrected my mistakes.
morality	There was a lively debate about the morality of the death penalty
murder	He was sentenced to life imprisonment for murder.
moreover	The value of this stock rose 17% last year. Moreover, analysts say it should continue to increase this year.
narrative	a story or an account
nationwide	The police launched a nationwide hunt for the killer.
neighbor	Don't make too much noise, or you'll wake the neighbors.

necessarily	Shouting is not necessarily the best way to make yourself understood .
nightmare	I had a terrible nightmare last night.
novel	a romantic novel
nutrition	Good nutrition is essential for children's growth.
obvious	It was obvious that he was not well.
objective	Please try and give an objective report of what happened.
obstacle	Not speaking a foreign language was a major obstacle to her career.
occupation	Please state your occupation on the form.
offspring	Parents can pass many diseases on to their offspring.
organize	The school organizes trips to various historic sites.
opinion	She asked me for my opinion of her new hairstyle and I told her.
outstanding	Your work in this course has been outstanding.
overseas	We have lost some important clients to our overseas competitors.
occasion	I have met Bill on two occasions.
paradise	This beach is a paradise for surfers.
patient	It's hard to be patient with a screaming child.
peel	Could you peel the potatoes for me?
performance	the performance of your duties
persist	If your symptoms persist, you should consult your doctor.
permanent	The accident left him with a permanent scar
plentiful	Strawberries are plentiful at this time of year.
pollution	Major steps are being taken to control the pollution of beaches.
population	What is the population of Canada?
poverty	To live in poverty
presentation	the presentation of new material in a textbook
prior	Ms. Parker was unable to attend the ceremony because of a prior commitment.
prospect	There's not much prospect of better weather before next week.
proximity	One advantage is the town's proximity to the beach.
publish	This dictionary was published by Oxford University Press.
public	How much public support is there for the administration's policy?
purchase	advice for people planning to purchase a new home
qualification	She has all the right qualifications for the manager's job.
questionnaire	to complete/fill out a questionnaire
rainforest	Thailand has a lot of rainforests.
realistic	Be realistic! You're not going to get a job like that without any experience.
recipe	What's the recipe for a happy marriage?
reptile	He licked his lips in an unpleasantly reptilian way.
resource	The video is an excellent resource for teachers.
reunion	The college holds an annual reunion for alumni.
rumor	There's a rumor going around that the plant is going to close.
satisfaction	We finally made a decision that was to everyone's satisfaction
scenery	The scenery is fantastic in the mountains.

search	The police searched the area for clues.
secret	The file was marked "Top Secret."
sharply	The road bends sharply to the left.
significant	Police said that the time of the murder was extremely significant.
situation	The situation in the Middle East is extremely serious.
slippery	The fish was cold and slippery.
spectacular	a spectacular display of fireworks
spread	Jenny's homework was spread out on the kitchen table.
squeeze	She squeezed his hand and wished him luck.
stationary	He crashed into the back of a stationary vehicle.
strategy	a strategy to reduce inflation
struggle	We struggled up the hill with our heavy suitcases.
subscription	an amount of money that you pay to receive a newspaper or magazine regularly or to use a special computer or television service
successful	a successful attempt to climb Mount Everest
superstition	the superstition that black cats are unlucky
suspicious	The old man died under suspicious circumstances.
sympathize	I sympathize with her, but I don't know what I can do to help.
system	What kind of filing system do you have for your papers?
theme	The theme of today's discussion will be "Our Changing Cities."
traditional	It is traditional to eat turkey on Thanksgiving.
translation	a word-for-word translation
transportation	The city is providing free transportation to the stadium from downtown.
treasure	the museum's art treasures
trouble	If I don't get home by 11 o'clock, I'll be in trouble.
typical	There's no such thing as a typical North American
unconscious	She was found lying unconscious on the kitchen floor.
unemployment	If the plant closes, many local people will face unemployment.
unusual	It's unusual for Joe to be late.
utility	Your share of the rent will be \$250 a month, plus one third of the utility bills.
valuation	Experts set a high valuation on the painting.
vicious	a vicious attack
visually	to be visually impaired
warehouse	a building where large quantities of products are kept before being sent to stores
wealthy	He spends a lot of money wealthy.
worthlessness	Smoking is worthlessness.
withdraw	The troops withdrew from the town.
wireless	We use wireless signal to connect the internet.
whisper	He whispers me this morning.
worldwide	The product will be marketed worldwide.