

## Spelling Bee 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades

The judge will read the word which the contestant will repeat if desired and then spell. The contestant may ask for a definition of the word and a sentence that uses the word. The pronouncer shall grant the request until the judges agree that the word has been reasonably clear to the contestant. The contestant has 15 seconds to spell the word. Once the student responds either by repeating the word or starting to spell, they are given 15 seconds to complete the word. The contestant does not have to pronounce the word first, but if he does say the word and pronounces it incorrectly the student will be corrected, assuring that he is spelling the word correctly. All repeating is included in the time limit.

1. All contestants will be arranged in a single line and words will be given from left to right, facing the judges.
2. Words shall be announced according to the diacritical markings in Webster's Dictionary.
3. The contestant has 15 seconds to spell the word.
4. After starting to spell a word, a contestant may stop and start over, retracing the spelling from the beginning, but there can be no change of letters or their sequence.
5. There will be two rounds through with the words from the list. The third round will begin with words from the next level's word list. The fourth round will be chosen at the Spell Master's discretion.
6. The 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade competitors will use the list provided in this book. Elementary grades will use the next grade level's list.
7. This is a double elimination competition. Upon misspelling two words, the contestant immediately drops out of the contest. The next word of the pronouncer's list is given to the next contestant.
8. When the contestants are reduced to two, the head spelling judge will stop the competition and review the rules for ending the competition. If the student with one miss misspells another word and the other student still has not missed a word, then the student with no errors is declared the winner. However, if he misses one word, go to next explanation of rules.
9. When the contestants are reduced to two and both contestants have missed one word, the elimination procedure changes. At that point, when one contestant misspells a word, the other contestant shall be given an opportunity to spell that same word and the next word on the list. If the second contestant spells both words correctly, then the second contestant shall be declared the champion.
10. Any question relating to the judging of a word should be referred to the judges before the beginning of the next round. Only school sponsors may make a challenge; parents may not voice a concern to the spall master of the school sponsor.
11. In the event that all the spelling list words are used and the competition is continuing, the head spelling judge will use the list from the next grade level up. 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade will use the list for the next year.

7TH \_ 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SPELLING BEE LIST "C" (2024)

abandon	category	evident	intrigue
abbreviation	celery	exchange	introduction
absence	cemetery	executive	involvement
absolutely	changeable	exhibit	irate
absorb	chaperone	expensive	migratory
abundant	competent	extinct	peregrina
accessible	competition	extinguish	secretary
accompanied	complement	extraordinary	securing
accomplishment	compliment	extremely	significance
accurate	compressor	fascinating	simile
achievement	concentrate	fatigue	sincerely
adequate	concentration	flagrant	sincerity
adjustable	conductor	foreign	situation
admittance	confetti	forfeit	skeptical
	congratulations	frequently	sojourn
alternate	consequently	fundamental	solemn
alternative	controlling	genuine	souvenir
amusement	cordially	gossiping	spacious
analysis	cringe	gradual	specific
analyze	culminate	graffiti	stationary
	culprit	grammar	stationery
ancestor		grievance	statistics
anniversary	deceive	guarantee	subscription
appreciate	delayed	harass	substitute
artificial	democracy	horrify	superintendent
assistance	deodorant	hospital	supervisor
association	descendent	humility	supposedly
athlete	description	hygiene	threatening
atmosphere	diameter	identical	tolerate
attendance	discourage	idle	traipse
authority	disgraceful	idol	uniform
bacteria	dismissal	illegal	university
bagel	distinguished	illustration	unnecessary
baggage	dreadful	imaginary	valuable
biscuit	economics	immediately	various
bizarre	elementary	immobilize	vehicle
boulevard	embarrass	impossibility	version
brilliant	emotion	inconvenient	vertical
brochure	emphasize	incredible	victim
bulletin	enclosing	individual	vigorously
bureau	encounter	infamous	violation
campaign	endurance	influence	visualize
cancellation	environment	informant	volcano
candidate	episode	inhabit	voyage
capable	erosion	innocence	wealthy
capital	eruption	interruption	weapon

## 10 - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SPELLING BEE LIST "C" (2024)

abhorrent	desperate	inept	preposterous
abrasive	distribution	inertia	presidency
absolute	efficient	infamous	presumptuous
abstruse	electoral	institution	procedure
access	electronic	integrate	prodigious
accident	elegant	intention	proliferation
acclaim	eliminate	internal	provision
accolade	elsewhere	invasion	psychological
acquire	embarrass	invitation	qualified
activism	emphasize	involvement	racial
adequate	employment	jeweler	reluctant
alacrity	enterprise	justification	requirement
attorney	epiphany	juxtapose	resignation
autonomous	equanimity	laboratory	resistance
ballot	equity	lament	rhythm
biased	equivalent	lethargic	saccharine
bipartisan	equivocal	liberate	sanction
blissful	erroneous	linger	satellite
bloody	essentially	listlessness	seize
brevity	euphemism	loathsome	sensible
brilliant	exhibition	massive	scurrilous
Buddhism	expense	merely	simultaneously
cautious	explanation	merger	socialist
characteristic	exploit	militant	spectacular
compensation	expression	millennium	spontaneity
comprehensive	fierce	minimum	sporadic
concede	financial	monitor	squander
concentration	fiscal	musician	stereotype
concession	foreigner	negotiate	supersede
conscience	generate	oblivion	synonym
condemn	genuine	obnoxious	tantamount
confrontation	gesture	obscure	technical
congressional	guerilla	obsequious	tedious
corporation	handkerchief	obstinate	thorough
criterion	headquarters	ominous	threatening
criticism	helicopter	onomatopoeia	transition
criticize	hindrance	opaque	tremendous
crucial	homogeneous	parallel	unidentified
cynicism	homograph	paranoia	unique
dawdle	homonym	parliamentary	venture
dazzling	horrendous	parochial	venue
decisive	hospitable	percentage	veracity
defiance	immigration	pertinacious	verdict
deficit	implication	pharaoh	victimize
degenerate	indiscriminate	philosophy	viscous
deliberate	indolent	playwright	wistful
description	indomitable	predecessor	witty