



UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

Spelling & Vocabulary Study Packet 2020

This Spelling packet contains tests and keys from 2020 District, Region and State.

This item is intended for High School grade levels.

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University Interscholastic League

Spelling and Vocabulary

Part I

DISTRICT Meet 2019-20

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| 1. derivation | optimization | sussuration | hospitalization | acclamation |
| 2. distinguishable | seperable | actionable | unflappable | reconcilable |
| 3. anticyclone | persiflage | neonatal | chamephytes | effluence |
| 4. varigated | abated | wiretapped | unhallowed | slathered |
| 5. ornithischian | proletarian | empirian | apiarian | saurischian |
| 6. milieu | selenology | depricate | pompano | fluorosis |
| 7. Freesia | Monaco | Keyev | Anglophile | Shelta |
| 8. red-letter | absent-minded | zero-hour | gimlet-eyed | trigger-happy |
| 9. G-suit | Pooh-bah | McCarthyism | Rh-negative | ultima Thule |
| 10. bronc's cheer | do-it-yourselfer | laissez-faire | Champs Élysées | folie à deux |
| 11. scot-free | billet-doux | hearts-ease | chance-medley | plea-bargain |
| 12. sexcentenary | ventriloquism | louvred | yashmac | afferent |
| 13. appropriable | defeasible | unnamable | inimitible | execrable |
| 14. Art Nouveau | Baryshnikov | trans-Pacific | rear-ended | third world |
| 15. Talmud | Laërtes | Copán | Dakar | Gettysburg |

16. Many believe that dreams and nightmares can offer ____ warnings of future events.
- A. quiescent B. nonaligned C. spasmodic D. fatidic E. nonexistent
17. The word “_____” is derived from Latin and meant “to be white”.
- A. ontic B. canescent C. outré D. pivotal E. waxen
18. Because she suffered from _____, the child had to wear a back brace to school.
- A. scoliosis B. acarophobia C. dimorphism D. emaciation E. myelitis
19. Perhaps the best-known _____ of all time is Amelia Earhart, due in part to her flying an airplane solo across the Atlantic Ocean.
- A. deportee B. aviatrix C. czarina D. Fascisti E. geneticist
20. I had planned to make a ____ for the dinner party until I discovered I had forgotten to buy maraschino cherries.
- A. Nesselrode B. dolce vita C. Zambezi D. folderol E. dulcimer
21. The manual for my new computer was difficult to use because of its _____ instructions; in fact, I had to search for the section written in English.
- A. evasive B. profligate C. polyglot D. bifunctional E. egalitarian
22. _____ sounds, like “f” and “v”, are produced using one’s lower lip and upper teeth.
- A. Organoleptic B. Carnassial C. Interchangeable
D Labiodental E. Unpronounceable
23. A _____ is a subatomic particle that effects or conveys a force between subatomic particles.
- A. counterpoise B. calibration C. mediator D. nucleophile E. stopcock
24. “To heap up” is the Latin origin for the word “_____”.
- A. avoirdupois B. congeries C. consuetude D. templet E. rototiller
25. Even rational, enlightened people have their own special _____(s), because wearing them somehow makes them feel more secure in an uncertain world.
- A. charm quark B. periapt C. ennead D. paraph E. obento

26. Famous _____ in the music world include Sonny and Cher, Simon and Garfunkel, as well as Ike and Tina Turner.

- A. glissandos B. quattrocentos C. suzerains D. dyads E. aestheticians

27. Because he mercilessly tortured and executed thousands of Christian converts, _____ is considered one of the most evil men in history.

- A. Torquemada B. Tophet C. Cistercian D. Saltillo E. Yeats

28. Pummeled by an unrelenting _____ arising from a typhoon, the islanders sought protection on higher ground.

- A. portiere B. menhir C. debacle D. massé E. aquifer

29. Monrovia is the capital and largest city of _____.

- A. Yemen B. Liberia C. Abu Dhabi D. Zululand E. Benghazi

30. The piano teacher instructed her pupil to play the concerto _____, or simply.

- A. rigorously B. schematically C. incidentally D. widdershins E. semplice

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District Meet Part I Key

*Capitalization required

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| 1. susurrat ion | 16. D |
| 2. separable | 17. B |
| 3. chamaephytes | 18. A |
| 4. variegated | 19. B |
| 5. empyrean | 20. A |
| 6. deprecate | 21. C |
| 7. <u>Kiev</u> | 22. D |
| 8. zero hour | 23. C |
| 9. <u>Pooh-Bah</u> , pooh-bah | 24. B |
| 10. <u>Bronx</u> cheer | 25. B |
| 11. heartsease, heart's-ease | 26. D |
| 12. louvered | 27. A |
| 13. inimitable | 28. C |
| 14. transpacific | 29. B |
| 15. <u>Laertes</u> | 30. E |

University Interscholastic League Spelling 2019-2020 District Meet Part II & III Key

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1. improbity	26. <u>Labyrinth</u> *	51. vulpine	Part III Tiebreaker
2. vigesimal*	27. cathexis	52. provost marshal	1. durum
3. fair market value	28. shaman	53. diapason*	2. scienter*
4. agnosticism	29. recoup	54. procephalic	3. variolite
5. unremitting	30. procrustean (P)	55. impede	4. maillot
6. riboflavin	31. dybbuk	56. nadir	5. <u>Latinism</u>
7. <u>Lorelei</u>	32. bellybutton*	57. eeriest	6. ossature
8. plage*	33. lacustrine	58. deterge	7. voyageur*
9. subaudition	34. bergamot	59. brusquerie*	8. divertissement
10. venture capital	35. <u>Maldives</u>	60. <u>Revelation</u>	9. cantabile
11. <u>Sabbatical</u>	36. facetiae*	61. minivan	10. opalescence
12. mangel-wurzel	37. besiegement	62. vestige	11. organon*
13. cernuous	38. dissever	63. soporific*	12. akaryocyte
14. miscible*	39. paella	64. nonfeasance	13. anion
15. mofette, moffette	40. geophagy	65. bight	14. clarion
16. groupthink	41. episcopacy	66. sequacious*	15. jus gentium
17. sacroiliac	42. <u>Saint Croix</u>	67. chrysalis	16. quaking aspen
18. officialese	43. neoteny*	68. abscissa	17. coulee
19. penuche, penuchi	44. poulard, poularde	69. japonica	18. palsied
20. eosinophil*	45. susceptibility	70. gallinaceous*	19. expectorate
21. palliate	46. <u>Tipperary</u>		20. Azerbaijan*
22. sine prole	47. aldermancy		
23. intergenerational	48. psalmody*		
24. solecism	49. scimitar		
25. replevin	50. quandaries		

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| 1. saccade | gutteralize | nummular | correlative | kibbutznik |
| 2. higgledy-piggledy | | knockdown-dragout | | navel-gazing |
| | self-indulgence | | chi-chi | |
| 3. Bibliotheca | Tattersall | Wovoka | Antarctica | Bucharest |
| 4. Minamata's disease | | Gordian knot | | Peking man |
| | Occam's razor | | Parkinson's disease | |
| 5. linguini | mahi mahi | scampi | daquiri | sukiyaki |
| 6. étouffé | flambéed | sautéing | régime | jeté |
| 7. Maccabaeus | | Beau Brummell | | Della Robbia |
| | Punchinello | | Nibelung | |
| 8. ichthyic | shtik | dialectic | holographic | phytotoxic |
| 9. Bethesda | Kazakhstan | Libya | Fertile Crescent | Yucutan |
| 10. quietus | altazamuth | bissextile | sambal | medicaid |
| 11. calumnious | gramineous | aenious | incommodious | sanguineous |
| 12. lèse majesté | mañana | façadism | cortège | quinceñera |
| 13. Hollandaise sauce | | Philippine mahogany | | Gila monster |
| | Petrarchan sonnet | | Côte d'Ivoire | |

14. missa cantata nip and tuck pocket vetoes sarcoptic mange garden variety
15. Antanaviro Caddo Hesperides Juneau Minneapolis
16. The origin of the word “_____” is from Latin and meant “to shine.”
- A. coadunate B. ephemeral C. tetramerous D. unilocular E. pellucid
17. Because they were hesitant to go to school on a Friday the 13th and a night of a full moon, many students chose to _____, faking an upset stomach or headache.
- A. chronicle B. euphemize C. desiccate D. malingering E. allude
18. Weaving plastic _____ at church camp was a favorite activity among the youngsters.
- A. boondoggles B. demitasses C. scrimshaws D. yurts E. viragos
19. “Of minor importance” is one of the meanings of the word “_____”.
- A. peripheral B. unplumbed C. epigrammatic D. puissant E. nontenured
20. The _____, long known as the “Spice Islands,” have provided a huge supply of cloves, nutmeg, and mace.
- A. Aucklands B. Moluccas C. Bataan D. Agincourt E. Miletus
21. The distraught parents went on the air with a _____ message to their son’s kidnapper, beseeching him to return their child unharmed.
- A. perdurable B. capricious C. assimilable D. permissible E. precatory
22. An antonym of the word “_____” is “enervate”.
- A. supplicate B. imprecate C. invigorate D. sedate E. somnambulate
23. Characters considered “extras” in plays are called _____ because their presence has little effect on the plot.
- A. vanguards B. mukluks C. spear-carriers D. embarrassments E. iconoclasts
24. The murderer used threats in order to _____ the eyewitness’s testimony, intimidating him into lying about what he had seen.
- A. mitigate B. conciliate C. perennate D. exsiccate E. suborn

25. Carlene's taste in decorating was tawdry; her furniture was garish and every shelf or corner held _____(s), geegaws, and other showy trinkets.

- A. whetstone B. sesterce C. Creüsa D. wampum E. chachka

26. The teen's mom scheduled a visit to the dermatologist after her daughter had an embarrassing breakout of _____ on her back.

- A. lysozymes B. emmetropia C. polynya D. whelks E. otitis media

27. The doctrine that Roman Catholic bishops share power is called _____.

- A. benignancy B. gravamen C. monasticism
D. collegiality E. subjective idealism

28. The origin of the word "_____" is possibly derived from Greek and meant "without pain".

- A. refrangible B. analgesic C. presynaptic D. anti-infective E. intemperate

29. _____ clouds loomed low in the sky and seemed to grow darker and more threatening as the storm approached.

- A. Infinitesimal B. Beauteous C. Vivaparous D. Flaccid E. Tenebrous

30. The _____ couple could barely stand to look at each other after their relationship abruptly ended.

- A. pluvius B. tacit C. quondam D. rumbustious E. counterfactual

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Regional Meet Part I Key

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| 1. gutturalize | 16. E |
| 2. chichi | 17. D |
| 3. bibliotheca | 18. A |
| 4. <u>Minamata</u> disease | 19. A |
| 5. daiquiri | 20. B |
| 6. étouffée | 21. E |
| 7. della <u>Robbia</u> | 22. C |
| 8. ichthyic | 23. C |
| 9. <u>Yucatán</u> | 24. E |
| 10. altazimuth | 25. E |
| 11. aeneous, aeneus | 26. D |
| 12. quinceañera | 27. D |
| 13. hollandaise sauce | 28. B |
| 14. garden-variety | 29. E |
| 15. <u>Antananarivo</u> | 30. C |

University Interscholastic League Spelling 2019-2020 Regional Meet Part II & III Key

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1. complicit	26. levorotatory	51. asinine*	Part III Tiebreaker
2. adenovirus*	27. <u>B'nai B'rith</u> *	52. <u>Nimrod</u>	1. verbigeration
3. zootechny	28. feoffment	53. acclivity	2. bacchanalia*
4. marmoreal	29. scullion	54. espalier	3. radicchio
5. argali	30. microcyte	55. <u>Nehru</u> collar*	4. visual acuity
6. volute*	31. realpolitik	56. exuviae	5. lamprophyre
7. shalom	32. curricule*	57. hispid	6. conurbation*
8. eisteddfod	33. scansion	58. leporine	7. <u>Shabbat</u> , <u>Shabbos</u>
9. infrared	34. paseo	59. rubefacient	8. arioso
10. saiga	35. daedal	60. chiliad	9. parfleche
11. <u>Liechtenstein</u> *	36. <u>Grecism</u>	61. <u>Paganini</u>	10. minor-leaguer
12. willy-nilly	37. umami*	62. vitiate*	11. sturgeon
13. mesenchyme	38. hors de combat	63. bumptious	12. tergiversate*
14. <u>Herodotus</u>	39. tandoor	64. standpatter	13. petitio principii
15. <u>Omnipotent</u>	40. hawthorn	65. misally	14. jalousie
16. videlicet	41. beaux esprits	66. aileron	15. pasturage
17. scry*	42. leopardess	67. contrariety	16. gemsbok
18. peripatetic	43. shrieval*	68. fabliau*	17. lamedh
19. muscatel	44. postmeridian	69. en bloc	18. scholiast
20. insouciance	45. interleukin-1	70. plaice	19. puerile*
21. viper's bugloss	46. earth art		20. isallobar
22. strigose	47. <u>Tuareg</u>		
23. apropos*	48. minutiae*		
24. milites gloriosi	49. xanthous		
25. solatium	50. pablum		

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| 1. Habakkuk | Kyrgystan | Bagdad | Euphrates | Quantico |
| 2. obliquy | predial | toccata | verismo | yowl |
| 3. Catholicon | Versailles | Mosul | Barmecidal | Lincolnesque |
| 4. Dar es Salaam | Jacob's ladder | Geiger counter | Laffer curve | Baltic states |
| 5. jack-booted | industry-wide | mind-boggling | portal-to-portal | off-the-record |
| 6. dégagé | faïence | harm's way | wagon-lit | catalog raisonné |
| 7. muralled | yarmelke | bourgeon | flukey | pseudopigrapha |
| 8. illixir | oesophagus | hypopnea | legerity | radiosonde |
| 9. Klamath | Melanesia | Pyongyang | Pompeii | Russophile |
| 10. intransigent | gormand | shibboleth | thanatopsis | vibratile |
| 11. Sousaphone | Yankeeism | Basilicata | Chimaera | Filipino |
| 12. hippogryph | cheloid | mayonnaise | petecchia | wanderoo |
| 13. palominos | schmaltzy | tribrach | invenomed | xenolith |
| 14. seagurt | persistence | titubation | zygapophysis | adulator |
| 15. Alzheimer's disease | grievousness | Neitzche | Klein bottle | blitzkrieg |

16. The use of papyri to record Biblical text is now considered _____ because this method has been long obsolete.
- A. Noachian B. tumultuary C. sacrosanct D. protolithic E. casuistic
17. The word “_____” originated from the Latin word meaning “a murmuring.”
- A. caconym B. dubiety C. fremitus D. intrigue E. neutrino
18. If it weren't for my two _____, I wouldn't be able to look to my left or right.
- A. annular ligaments B. sternocleidomastoids C. menisci
D. thole pins E. encephalomas
19. The fancy name for one's resumé is _____.
- A. bioassay B. curriculum vitae C. maquiladora D. ottava rima E. serology
20. Malaria, a disease transmitted by mosquitoes in many tropical regions, is the accepted term for what used to be called “marsh miasma”, or _____ poison.
- A. paludal B. moribund C. subdural D. recumbent E. pecuniary
21. The word “_____” originated from the French and likely referred to a worthless object.
- A. batik B. drugget C. paduasoy D. liripipe E. phylactery
22. Medieval castles were _____ with floor openings through which stones could be dropped on to unsuspecting attackers.
- A. decorticated B. posited C. machicolated D. catenated E. prefabricated
23. The _____, or sloping mass of rock debris at the base of the cliff, proved to be an eyesore to the park's visitors.
- A. acculturation B. talus C. crampons D. macrofossil E. petroglyph
24. The scientific name for the _____ is *Macaca mulatta*.
- A. avocet B. lorikeet C. rhesus monkey
D. saber-toothed tiger E. storm petrel
25. If you're on a diet, it is best to limit _____ foods, such as bread, potatoes, and other starchy fare.
- A. concrescent B. amylaceous C. auriferous D. nocuous E. malodorous
26. Another name for a(n) _____ is “mysticete”.
- A. abalone B. pleuston C. lanugo D. baleen whale E. decagon

27. The tabloids recently announced that Meghan Markle and Prince Harry have already fired three _____ chosen to care for baby Archie.
- A. enfants terribles B. languets C. revenants D. equerries E. acolytes
28. Calling a mechanic a “grease monkey” or a psychiatrist a “shrink” is an example of _____.
- A. meiosis B. focus group C. chrestomathy D. tondo E. carafe
29. Is it the breathtaking vaulted ceiling or the awe-inspiring stained glass that is the _____ of The Duomo in Florence, Italy?
- A. development B. homiletics C. logomachy D. argumentation E. omphalos
30. At one time, the word “_____” meant “flatterer.”
- A. balladeer B. lutz C. punctilio D. representative E. placebo

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State Meet Part I Key

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| 1. <u>Kyrgyzstan</u> | 16. A |
| 2. obloquy | 17. C |
| 3. catholicon | 18. B |
| 4. <u>Baltic States</u> | 19. B |
| 5. industrywide | 20. A |
| 6. catalogue raisonné | 21. B |
| 7. pseudepigrapha | 22. C |
| 8. elixir | 23. B |
| 9. <u>Pyongyang</u> | 24. C |
| 10. gourmand | 25. B |
| 11. sousaphone | 26. D |
| 12. petechia | 27. D |
| 13. envenomed | 28. A |
| 14. seagirt | 29. E |
| 15. <u>Nietzsche</u> | 30. E |

University Interscholastic League Spelling 2019-2020 State Meet Part II & III Key

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1. <u>Uighur, Uyghur</u>	26. lateen	51. gambado	Part III Tiebreaker
2. <u>Mandela</u>	27. uveitis*	52. phlox*	1. epigone
3. <u>Tyrrhenian Sea</u>	28. sinistrorse	53. contrapposto	2. <u>Baedeker</u> *
4. derecho*	29. pavilion	54. verticillate	3. epizootic
5. sub- <u>Saharan</u>	30. lebensraum	55. ad feminam	4. <u>Churrigueresque</u>
6. pteridology	31. interregnum*	56. <u>Oaxaca</u>	5. machismo
7. unwonted	32. shiitake	57. meerkat*	6. errhine
8. <u>Yamasee</u>	33. discordant	58. canaille	7. <u>Dungeness crab</u> *
9. valetudinarian	34. pretentious	59. simpatico	8. <u>Nahuatl</u>
10. redingote	35. yersiniosis	60. videoconference	9. contumely
11. feng shui*	36. bivouacked*	61. bimaxillary	10. parvovirus
12. <u>Seychelles</u>	37. maquillage	62. didgeridoo didjeridoo*	11. cognoscente
13. tête-bêche	38. assuage	63. rose of <u>Jericho</u>	12. luge
14. salmonella	39. viscacha, vizcacha	64. addlepatad	13. hyoscyamine*
15. acequia	40. cabaletta	65. polystyrene	14. moiety
16. <u>Naugahyde</u>	41. succussion*	66. andesite	15. hapax legomenon
17. velleity	42. pareve	67. requiescat	16. glabrous
18. krewe*	43. <u>Sumatran</u>	68. cahier*	17. exacerbate
19. zero-defect	44. aubergine	69. prix fixe	18. vitelline
20. radioecology	45. muesli*	70. alkalescent	19. stem christie*
21. uraeus	46. spermaceti		20. <u>Manichaeism</u>
22. pidgin*	47. <u>Ramadan</u>		
23. <u>Neapolitan</u>	48. nosh		
24. salchow	49. mercury vapor lamp		
25. expurgate	50. symposiarch*		