



Word Power

High School Spelling & Vocabulary
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The Details...

NATURE OF THE CONTEST

The UIL Spelling and Vocabulary Contest promotes vocabulary development as well as precise and effective use of words. The three-part contest consists of multiple-choice questions and words written from dictation. Eighty percent of the test will come from the UIL *Word Power* list that changes each year. Twenty percent will come from outside sources, such as commonly used words, proper names/words in the news, and words that are representative of important elements in the English language.

- Part I: Contestants are given 15 minutes to complete 30 questions consisting of 15 Proofreading questions and 15 Vocabulary questions. The Proofreading questions are comprised of list words, forms of list words and non-list (“outside”) words. The Vocabulary questions are based on the words indicated for vocabulary study in the current *Word Power*.
- Part II & III: This portion of the contest will consist of words pronounced for the contestants. Part II is the hand-written spelling of 70 words pronounced aloud to contestants. Part III is a tiebreaker section of 20 additional pronounced words.

ABOUT WORD POWER

Word Power was compiled using *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, Fifth Edition: Fiftieth Anniversary (2018 Printing). Each word was checked for possible variant spelling, capitalization, and parts of speech. *Word Power* reflects several decisions made for consistency and clarity.

SPELLING & PRONUNCIATION

If a word has more than one correct spelling, all spellings are listed, separated by a comma, as in (frenetic, phrenetic). Students are required to spell only one variant. Although every attempt has been made to list all alternate spellings, some others may be discovered. *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, Fifth Edition: Fiftieth Anniversary (2018 Printing) is the final authority, not *Word Power* or the test lists.

In order to make it easier for contestants to determine the correct pronunciation of words with variable suffixes, the following guidelines are used. If the addition of a letter does not change the pronunciation of a word, the additional letter(s) may be placed in parentheses at the end of a word, or the second spelling is given on the same line. For example “dialogue” may also be spelled “dialog”; therefore, the listing in *Word Power* is “dialogue, dialog”. An entry such as “pedagog(ue), paedagogue” would indicate three acceptable spellings. On the other hand, “holographic” and “holographical” are forms of the same word in the same part of speech, but they are pronounced differently. These words will be separate entries.

Brief definitions will be given for each word pronounced in Parts II and III. During competition, students must spell the form of the word given. For instance, the list word “mecca” can be written as either a capitalized or lower-case word, depending on the definition given. In order to get credit for such a word, students must spell the form of the word which corresponds to the pronounced definition. If a word is spelled correctly but is the incorrect form, it will be considered misspelled. Words with same parts of speech and meanings but different pronunciations will appear as separate entries in *Word Power*.

CAPITALIZATION

If a word can begin with either a lower-case letter or a capital, both versions are given. It is the responsibility of the contestant to know in what circumstances to use lower-case or capital letters. The unnecessary use of a capital or its omission is considered an error.

MARKINGS

The English language includes words taken directly from foreign languages without changes in spelling. Marks assumed to be accent marks for syllables are really guides to the proper pronunciation of vowels; therefore, in order to spell the words correctly, it is necessary to use these marks accurately. For example, the French word “dégagé” is pronounced “DAY gah ZHAY”. The acute accent (´) is usually pronounced as the long “a” as in “late” or “date”. The grave (`) and the circumflex (^) “e” are pronounced as the short “e” as in “peck” or “deck”. The grave and circumflex “a” give the “ah” sound as in “pot”. Other commonly used pronunciation guides are the German umlaut (¨) and the Spanish tilde (~). Because the selection of a mark, such as a pronunciation mark, and its proper placement are necessary for the correct spelling and pronunciation of foreign words used by educated Americans, improper usage of accent marks or marks such as umlaut or tilde is considered a spelling error.

VOCABULARY

Approximately 350 words have been selected for vocabulary study and are designated by the symbol •.

For example:

778. kookaburra •

Contestants will be responsible for the spelling, meaning, and derivation of these words. Question formats may vary from one test to another in order to provide the best method of testing the material. Any questions regarding the correct spelling of words should be directed to the UIL office. Corrections to *Word Power* are posted on the Spelling and Vocabulary webpage at:

www.uiltexas.org/academics/academic-contests/spelling-and-vocabulary.

1.	à la carte, a la carte	51.	anacrusis	101.	auspice
2.	aardvark	52.	analogous •	102.	australopithecine
3.	Abadan	53.	anaphylaxis •	103.	automatism
4.	abate •	54.	anathematize •	104.	Averno •
5.	abhorrence •	55.	andesite	105.	aversion
6.	able-bodied	56.	Andorra •	106.	avionics
7.	abscissa	57.	anemia, anaemia •	107.	avoirdupois •
8.	absorbefacient	58.	anemometry	108.	Babbitt metal
9.	acanthus, Acanthus	59.	Anglophile	109.	bacteriophage
10.	acciaccatura •	60.	anguished	110.	bafflement
11.	acclimatization	61.	ankylosis, anchylosis	111.	Baghdad, Bagdad
12.	accumbent	62.	annular ligament	112.	balalaika
13.	acerbity	63.	anopheles, Anopheles	113.	balladeer
14.	achondroplasia	64.	Antarctica	114.	ballistics •
15.	acolyte •	65.	antepenultimate	115.	Balthazar, Balthasar
16.	actinomycosis	66.	anthropometry •	116.	banjoist
17.	ad hominem	67.	anticyclone	117.	barberry
18.	ad nauseam •	68.	antimacassar	118.	Barents Sea •
19.	adamant	69.	antinome •	119.	bas-relief
20.	addleped	70.	antiphony •	120.	bateaux, batteaux
21.	adenoma	71.	antiphrosis	121.	Batesian mimicry
22.	admiralty, Admiralty	72.	aortography	122.	bauble
23.	adulate	73.	aperçu (singular)	123.	Bavarian
24.	adumbration	74.	aplomb	124.	béarnaise sauce
25.	adventuresome	75.	apolitical	125.	beatification
26.	adynamia	76.	appertain	126.	beau ideal
27.	aerophobia	77.	appoggiatura	127.	bedlamite
28.	affianced	78.	apprehensible •	128.	bel esprit •
29.	agglomerate	79.	aquamarine	129.	Benghazi, Bengasi •
30.	aggravation	80.	Aquarius	130.	bequest
31.	agitato	81.	Aramaic	131.	besotted •
32.	agog	82.	archaeopteryx,	132.	Bethesda •
33.	aileron •		Archaeopteryx	133.	bibliomancy
34.	akinesia	83.	archdiocese	134.	bicaudal •
35.	albuterol	84.	arenaceous	135.	bildungsroman,
36.	aldermancy	85.	argumentation •		Bildungsroman
37.	algebraic	86.	Aristophanes	136.	bilious
38.	aliment	87.	arrogance	137.	bimaxillary
39.	alla breve	88.	artifact, artefact	138.	bioassay •
40.	allude •	89.	ascetic •	139.	bireme
41.	altazimuth	90.	asocial	140.	bisector
42.	altruistic	91.	aspidistra, Aspidistra	141.	blazonry
43.	Alzheimer's disease	92.	assimilable •	142.	blepharospasm
44.	amarelle	93.	astragal	143.	bois de rose
45.	Americanize	94.	atamasco lily	144.	Bolshevik, bolshevik
46.	amoxicillin	95.	atomism	145.	bombastically
47.	amperage •	96.	au courant •	146.	boondoggle •
48.	amphisbaena	97.	aubergine	147.	Boötes
49.	amulet	98.	Auckland •	148.	boreal, Boreal
50.	amygdaline (adj.)	99.	Augean	149.	borzoi
		100.	auricular	150.	bouillabaisse •

151.	bradylogia	201.	ceteris paribus	251.	conquistador
152.	brannigan	202.	chalcedony, calcedony	252.	consanguinity
153.	bresaola •	203.	chance-medley	253.	conspiracy theory
154.	brilliantine	204.	chanoyu •	254.	consuetude •
155.	brocade	205.	Charybdis	255.	conterminous
156.	bromeliad	206.	chassé	256.	contortionist
157.	Bronx cheer	207.	chelate	257.	contretemps
158.	brucellosis	208.	chemise	258.	convoluted
159.	Brunei	209.	chemolithoautotroph	259.	Copenhagen
160.	Bucharest	210.	chest of drawers	260.	coquetry
161.	bullion	211.	chevelure	261.	coreligionist
162.	burgeon, bourgeois	212.	chiasmus	262.	coronary bypass surgery
163.	Byronic	213.	chiromancy	263.	corrigible
164.	cabretta	214.	choreographer	264.	cosmopolite •
165.	cachinnation •	215.	chow mein	265.	countercoup
166.	caconym •	216.	chrestomathy •	266.	counterintelligence •
167.	cadmium	217.	chrysalis	267.	couscous
168.	caïque •	218.	cicatrise	268.	covenantee
169.	caisson disease	219.	cinerarium	269.	craniofacial •
170.	caldera	220.	cinquecento	270.	credulous •
171.	calque	221.	circumambient •	271.	crematorium
172.	calumny	222.	circumscribe	272.	crenate
173.	canaille	223.	cisalpine	273.	crepuscular
174.	cannonade	224.	classicist	274.	Creüsa •
175.	canvasser •	225.	clear-air turbulence	275.	Cro-Magnon
176.	capriccioso •	226.	cloisonné	276.	crozier, crozier
177.	carafe •	227.	coadjutant •	277.	crucible
178.	carbuncular	228.	coaxial cable	278.	crypt
179.	carcinogenic	229.	cocklebur	279.	cue card
180.	carnassial •	230.	coconspirator	280.	cui-ui
181.	carne asada	231.	codicillary	281.	curettage
182.	carpaccio (food)	232.	coeval •	282.	curriculum vitae
183.	cassoulet •	233.	cognitive	283.	curvilinear
184.	cataplexy	234.	coho salmon	284.	cyclopean, Cyclopean
185.	catamaran	235.	coiffeur	285.	cystectomy
186.	catarrh •	236.	collegium	286.	Dachau
187.	catenate •	237.	colonnade	287.	dacquoise •
188.	catholic, Catholic	238.	comestibles •	288.	daguerreotype
189.	catoptric	239.	comme il faut •	289.	damage control
190.	caucus	240.	commitment	290.	Dantesque
191.	cause célèbre (singular)	241.	communiqué	291.	Dar es Salaam
192.	caveat •	242.	composite, Composite	292.	dashiki
193.	cayenne pepper	243.	computerese	293.	de trop •
194.	ceilometer	244.	con spirito •	294.	debacle •
195.	celibacy	245.	conciliar	295.	debarred
196.	cembalo	246.	concurrence	296.	debility
197.	centripetal	247.	condonation •	297.	Debussy •
198.	cerecloth	248.	congeries •	298.	decagon
199.	certitude	249.	congruency	299.	decaliter, dekaliter
200.	cesarean section, caesarean section	250.	connotation •	300.	decemvir

301.	declassification •	351.	dissertation	401.	ennui
302.	decrepitude	352.	dissever	402.	ensanguine
303.	deducible	353.	distensible	403.	enteritis •
304.	defenestrate	354.	diurnal	404.	entrepreneurial
305.	definitive •	355.	divestiture •	405.	enwreathe
306.	defray	356.	doe-eyed	406.	enzymes
307.	defunct	357.	dolce vita •	407.	epergne •
308.	degenerate •	358.	domicile	408.	epicanthic fold
309.	deism	359.	donnée	409.	epicycloid •
310.	Delphic	360.	doublespeak	410.	epigrammatic •
311.	demersal	361.	doubting Thomas	411.	epistolary
312.	demijohn	362.	dracaena, Dracaena	412.	equinox
313.	democratization	363.	dramatic monologue	413.	eremitic •
314.	Democritus	364.	dreadlocks	414.	eremurus, Eremurus
315.	demoniac •	365.	dual-purpose	415.	Eritrea
316.	demulcent	366.	dulcify •	416.	erstwhile
317.	demurrage •	367.	duopsony	417.	erudite
318.	dendriform	368.	dura mater	418.	erythema
319.	denomination	369.	dyad •	419.	eschatology
320.	denouement, dénouement	370.	dysfunction	420.	espalier
321.	deontology	371.	E. coli	421.	Essene
322.	deportee •	372.	earth art	422.	Ethiopian
323.	deprivation	373.	eau de cologne (singular)	423.	étouffée (singular)
324.	deracinate	374.	echelon •	424.	Eucharist
325.	derring-do	375.	echinoid	425.	euphuism •
326.	Des Moines	376.	ectogenous •	426.	eurythermal
327.	desecrate	377.	editor in chief	427.	evanesce
328.	desideratum •	378.	efferent •	428.	evangelism
329.	desquamate	379.	effluxion	429.	evolutionary
330.	deterge •	380.	effrontery	430.	ex post facto
331.	deterioration	381.	egads	431.	ex vivo
332.	devastator •	382.	egalitarian •	432.	excelsior •
333.	devoid	383.	eisteddfod	433.	exclusionary
334.	diabetes insipidus	384.	élan •	434.	excrescence •
335.	dialectic	385.	eldercare	435.	excruciatingly
336.	diamante, diamanté	386.	electrocution	436.	exegete
337.	diazinon •	387.	elixir	437.	exempli gratia •
338.	dieffenbachia, Dieffenbachia	388.	eluviation	438.	exiguous
339.	differentiate	389.	embarrassment •	439.	exoteric
340.	digitization	390.	embolden	440.	exotically
341.	diktat	391.	embryectomy	441.	expectorate
342.	diminutive	392.	emery board	442.	exponentiation
343.	dimorphism •	393.	emigrant	443.	expunge •
344.	Dionysian, dionysian	394.	empoison	444.	exscind
345.	disaccharide	395.	en bloc	445.	extirpate
346.	discographer	396.	en rapport	446.	extraneous
347.	discordant	397.	enarthrosis	447.	extraterritorial
348.	discursive •	398.	encephaloma •	448.	extrinsic
349.	disparagement	399.	endergonic	449.	exuviae
350.	dispensation	400.	ennead •	450.	façadism, facadism

451.	factionalize	501.	gentrification	551.	heroically
452.	faience, faïence	502.	geostrategy	552.	heterogeneity
453.	falafel, felafel	503.	gerund	553.	hexapod •
454.	Falstaffian	504.	gestic	554.	hierarchize
455.	farinaceous	505.	gesundheit •	555.	Hippocratic oath
456.	fatigable	506.	giardia, Giardia	556.	hispid
457.	faux-naïf, faux-naif	507.	gilt-edged	557.	Ho Chi Minh •
458.	faveolate	508.	glaciologist •	558.	hollandaise sauce
459.	febrifacient	509.	glissando •	559.	holographic
460.	felicitous	510.	Gloucester	560.	homiletics •
461.	fenestration •	511.	goethite	561.	homocentric
462.	fermata •	512.	golem •	562.	Hooverville
463.	fermium	513.	googol	563.	hors de combat
464.	fervency •	514.	Gorgonzola	564.	hospitalization
465.	fibrillation	515.	gossipmonger	565.	howitzer
466.	fibromyalgia	516.	gourami •	566.	Huitzilopochtli
467.	fiery	517.	gramineous	567.	humidify
468.	Filipino	518.	granuloma •	568.	hydrocephalous (adj.)
469.	flagellant	519.	Greenwich time •	569.	hydrotherapy
470.	flambéing	520.	grimalkin •	570.	hyoid bone
471.	flameout	521.	groupthink	571.	hypercritical •
472.	flavonoid •	522.	guayabera	572.	hypopnea
473.	flews	523.	guelder rose	573.	ibuprofen
474.	floribunda	524.	gulag, Gulag	574.	iconoclast •
475.	fluky, flukey	525.	gurus	575.	ideate
476.	fluoroscopy	526.	Gutenberg •	576.	idolatry
477.	fluvial	527.	gymkhana	577.	ihram
478.	folderol •	528.	gyral	578.	ill-considered
479.	fomite	529.	haberdasher	579.	illuminati, Illuminati •
480.	fool's errand	530.	habitué	580.	illusory •
481.	force majeure	531.	hagioscope •	581.	imam, Imam
482.	formaldehyde	532.	hammertoe	582.	imbibition
483.	fractionalize •	533.	Hare Krishna	583.	immiscible •
484.	frappé	534.	harum-scarum	584.	immunocompromised
485.	fraught	535.	hasenpfeffer •	585.	impede
486.	frenzied •	536.	hawthorn (shrub)	586.	impetuosity
487.	frondescent •	537.	heathenish	587.	impious •
488.	fumarole	538.	heavy-handed	588.	impregnable
489.	funerary	539.	Hebraist	589.	improbability
490.	furtively	540.	hectoring •	590.	improvident •
491.	Gadsden Purchase	541.	hedonics •	591.	impunity
492.	galantine	542.	Hejaz, Hedjaz	592.	in extremis
493.	gambado	543.	heliotaxis	593.	in memoriam
494.	ganglion •	544.	hellacious	594.	in situ
495.	gastroenterology	545.	hemangioma •	595.	incapacitant
496.	gaucherie	546.	hennery	596.	incognizant
497.	geisha	547.	heptastich	597.	incompatibility
498.	gender-neutral	548.	Herculaneum	598.	incorporeal •
499.	generative	549.	hereditament	599.	incumbency
500.	geneticist	550.	Herodotus	600.	incursion

601.	indefensible	651.	K ration •	701.	leviathan •
602.	indelible •	652.	kalimba	702.	levorotatory
603.	indigestible	653.	kameez	703.	Liberia •
604.	Indonesia •	654.	Kandahar, Qandahar	704.	Libya
605.	indophenol	655.	karma •	705.	lief •
606.	inebriated (adj.)	656.	kefir	706.	ligation •
607.	inexpiable	657.	kendo •	707.	lignum vitae
608.	infamy •	658.	keratin	708.	limbic system
609.	infrared	659.	ketogenesis	709.	Limburger
610.	inglenook	660.	Khoisan	710.	linea aspera
611.	inglorious •	661.	Kiddush	711.	linearize
612.	inimitable	662.	kielbasa •	712.	linguaphile
613.	iniquitous	663.	kilderkin •	713.	lipectomy
614.	inquietude	664.	kinescope	714.	liripipe •
615.	insatiate	665.	Kirkuk •	715.	lithotomy
616.	insouciance •	666.	kitsch	716.	lixivate
617.	insurgency	667.	Klamath	717.	loci
618.	inter alia	668.	knar, knaur •	718.	logomachy •
619.	intercalary	669.	knowledge base	719.	longueur
620.	intercoastal	670.	kookiest	720.	lorgnette
621.	Interlingua	671.	Krebs cycle	721.	louche •
622.	internecine	672.	krumkake	722.	Lucite (trademark)
623.	intimidation	673.	krumhorn, crumhorn	723.	luculent
624.	intonate •	674.	Kurdistan	724.	ludic •
625.	intransigent, intransigent (adj.)	675.	kyphosis •	725.	lumpenproletariat •
626.	intubate	676.	labor-intensive	726.	lutefisk
627.	invariable •	677.	lacertilian •	727.	lyricize
628.	iridectomy •	678.	lactescent	728.	Maccabeus, Maccabaeus
629.	irrefutable	679.	lacustrine	729.	machicolate •
630.	isallobar	680.	Laertes	730.	mackinaw
631.	isotope	681.	laissez-faire (adj.)	731.	macrobiotics
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633.	iterate •	683.	lamprey	733.	magna cum laude
634.	jaçana •	684.	landsleit	734.	maharaja, maharajah
635.	Jacob's ladder	685.	languet •	735.	maidenhair fern
636.	jai alai	686.	Laodicean	736.	majoritarian
637.	Jaipur	687.	lapis lazuli •	737.	malagueña
638.	Janus	688.	larcenous •	738.	malediction •
639.	jejenum	689.	largetto	739.	malingering •
640.	jeté •	690.	laryngoscope	740.	malodorous •
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642.	jocular	692.	Laundromat, laundromat	742.	mandarin, Mandarin
643.	John Hancock (signature)	693.	Lebanon	743.	Mandela
644.	jojoba	694.	lederhosen •	744.	mangonel
645.	jubilee, Jubilee	695.	legist •	745.	manipulable
646.	judgmatic	696.	leisurewear	746.	mansuetude •
647.	Juneau	697.	lemma •	747.	manteau (singular)
648.	jurat •	698.	leonine rhyme	748.	Manxwoman
649.	jus gentium	699.	leptospirosis	749.	maquiladora •
650.	juvenescent	700.	leukocytosis, leucocytosis	750.	maraca •

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752.	marginalize	802.	misogynist •	852.	Nepali
753.	markhor	803.	misspoken	853.	Nesselrode •
754.	marmoreal	804.	mitochondrion	854.	networking
755.	marquetry, marqueterie	805.	mitral stenosis	855.	neuropathy •
756.	martingale	806.	Moabite	856.	newel
757.	masjid	807.	mockumentary	857.	Nibelung
758.	massé •	808.	modus vivendi	858.	nicotiana, Nicotiana
759.	masticatory	809.	moiety	859.	Niflheim •
760.	matrilineage	810.	Moluccas •	860.	nigrescence
761.	maxillofacial	811.	Monaco •	861.	nimiety •
762.	mazuma	812.	monasticism •	862.	nip and tuck
763.	McGuffey	813.	mongering	863.	Noachian •
764.	measurable	814.	moniliform	864.	nociceptor
765.	mediagenic •	815.	monocle	865.	nolle prosequi
766.	mediocrity •	816.	monograph	866.	nomothetic
767.	meerscham •	817.	monophobia	867.	non compos mentis
768.	megalith	818.	monotonous	868.	nondiscrimination
769.	Melanesia	819.	Monsignor, monsignor	869.	nonintervention
770.	melanous	820.	Monticello •	870.	nontenured •
771.	meliorate •	821.	moroseness	871.	Norwich terrier
772.	mellifluous	822.	morphophonemics	872.	nostalgically
773.	melodeon	823.	mosaicism	873.	noumenon
774.	memento mori	824.	motorcade	874.	nouveau riche (singular)
775.	meno mosso	825.	mousse	875.	numen
776.	mercantilism	826.	moyen âge	876.	numismatist •
777.	Mercator projection	827.	Mozambique	877.	nutation
778.	merengue	828.	mucocutaneous	878.	nutraceutical
779.	merino •	829.	multifarious	879.	nutritionist
780.	mesenchyme	830.	multiracial	880.	Oaxaca
781.	mesothelium •	831.	multitudinous	881.	objurgate
782.	metagnathous	832.	muraled, mурalled	882.	obliterative
783.	metatarsal	833.	muscatel	883.	obsolesce
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785.	metonymy •	835.	mutable	885.	occasionally
786.	meunière	836.	muumuu	886.	ocelot •
787.	microburst	837.	mydriasis •	887.	octodecimo •
788.	microdot	838.	myology •	888.	odeum •
789.	midwifery •	839.	myxedema, myxoedema	889.	odiously
790.	Miletus •	840.	Nacogdoches	890.	Odysseus
791.	miliaria	841.	nadir	891.	oenomel
792.	milites gloriosi	842.	Nahuatl	892.	off-the-record
793.	millesimal	843.	narcotism	893.	Okinawa
794.	Minamata disease	844.	nasturtium •	894.	olfactometer •
795.	minié ball	845.	nativistic	895.	ominously
796.	minor-leaguer	846.	navel-gazing	896.	omniscience
797.	minuscule •	847.	Ndebele	897.	oncologic
798.	mirepoix •	848.	Neanderthaloid	898.	oneiromancy •
799.	miscalculate	849.	necessitate •	899.	ontic •
800.	mise en scène (singular)	850.	necrobiosis	900.	oompah

901.	Oort cloud	951.	parietal •	1001.	piquant •
902.	opalescence	952.	parlous	1002.	piranha, piraña
903.	operose	953.	parmigiana	1003.	Piscean
904.	ophidian	954.	parotitis	1004.	pivotal •
905.	opioid	955.	particularize	1005.	placable
906.	optimization	956.	paseo	1006.	placidity
907.	oread	957.	passacaglia	1007.	plantain •
908.	orison	958.	passé	1008.	platypuses
909.	ornithischian	959.	pasturage	1009.	plebiscite
910.	ornithopter •	960.	paterfamilias •	1010.	plectrum •
911.	oropharynx •	961.	patrilineage	1011.	plethoric •
912.	orthoepy	962.	patroon	1012.	Plexiglas, plexiglass
913.	orthographical	963.	pavilion	1013.	plug-compatible
914.	osculate	964.	peacenik	1014.	Plutonian
915.	ossuary	965.	pedagoguish	1015.	pneuma
916.	osteosarcoma	966.	pedometer •	1016.	poetic license
917.	ostinato •	967.	pelagic	1017.	pointillistic
918.	otitis media •	968.	pendulous	1018.	poliomyelitis •
919.	out-of-body	969.	pentastich	1019.	Pollyanna
920.	overborne	970.	penuriously	1020.	polyglot •
921.	overrepresented	971.	per capita •	1021.	polystyrene
922.	oxalis, Oxalis	972.	percolate	1022.	Pompeii
923.	oxytocic	973.	perennate •	1023.	pontiff •
924.	ozostomia	974.	perestroika	1024.	populace
925.	pabulum	975.	periapt •	1025.	portal-to-portal
926.	pachytene	976.	periodontia	1026.	porte-cochère, porte-cochere
927.	pacifism	977.	peripheral •	1027.	portmanteau
928.	paella	978.	peristalsis •	1028.	portobello
929.	paillette	979.	permeability	1029.	posit •
930.	paladin •	980.	peroneal	1030.	postern
931.	palazzo	981.	Perseid	1031.	postmeridian
932.	palimpsest	982.	persevere	1032.	potboiler •
933.	pallbearer	983.	persona non grata	1033.	potpourri
934.	palliate	984.	pertinacity •	1034.	Poughkeepsie
935.	palominos	985.	pervious	1035.	poulard, poularde
936.	paltriness •	986.	pescetarian, pescatarian	1036.	pragmatist
937.	pamphleteer	987.	petitio principii	1037.	prairie schooner
938.	pancake landing	988.	petroglyph •	1038.	preadolescence
939.	panegyrist •	989.	pettifogger	1039.	predictor
940.	panhuman	990.	pharmaceutic	1040.	preeclampsia
941.	pantoffle, pantofle	991.	phenomenology	1041.	prehensile •
942.	paparazzo	992.	philharmonic, Philharmonic	1042.	premeditation
943.	papyrology •	993.	phlebitis	1043.	prerogative •
944.	parable •	994.	phonate	1044.	president-elect
945.	paramedical •	995.	phosphoresce	1045.	pre-Socratic
946.	paraparesis	996.	photomontage	1046.	prestissimo
947.	paraphrastic •	997.	pianissimo •	1047.	presynaptic •
948.	parasympathetic	998.	piassaba	1048.	preterition
949.	paravane •	999.	pileated woodpecker	1049.	primatology
950.	pareve	1000.	pilloried	1050.	primogenitor

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1052.	pro bono •	1102.	rarefaction	1152.	Rh-negative
1053.	procès-verbal	1103.	ratatouille	1153.	Rhodesian ridgeback
1054.	prodigal	1104.	ravelment	1154.	rhodopsin •
1055.	proletarian	1105.	razorback	1155.	rhubarb
1056.	pronunciamento •	1106.	realpolitik	1156.	riboflavin •
1057.	propolis	1107.	reapportionment	1157.	right-to-work law
1058.	proscenium	1108.	reappraisal	1158.	rinforzando
1059.	proselytize	1109.	recalcitrant •	1159.	ring-necked pheasant
1060.	prosthesis	1110.	recension	1160.	ritornello •
1061.	protolithic •	1111.	recoilless	1161.	roborant •
1062.	providential	1112.	recombinant	1162.	robustious
1063.	provost marshal	1113.	reconcilable	1163.	rodenticide
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1065.	psalmodist	1115.	recrudesce	1165.	rogatory
1066.	pseudo-event	1116.	recuperatory	1166.	roman-fleuve (singular)
1067.	psittacine	1117.	Red Cloud	1167.	Roosevelt Island
1068.	psoriasis •	1118.	redeployment	1168.	roseola
1069.	psychokinesis	1119.	red-letter	1169.	rotator cuff
1070.	pterodactyl	1120.	reexamine, re-examine	1170.	rouleau
1071.	pugilistic	1121.	refugium	1171.	roundelay •
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1073.	pulque	1123.	regnant •	1173.	rubella
1074.	punditry	1124.	regrettably	1174.	Rubicon
1075.	purl stitch	1125.	reinforcement	1175.	rufescent •
1076.	Pygmalion •	1126.	reliance	1176.	run-through
1077.	pyretic	1127.	relume •	1177.	Russophile
1078.	pyrrhotite •	1128.	reminiscence	1178.	sabbatical, Sabbatical
1079.	quadricentennial	1129.	remission	1179.	sabulous •
1080.	quadruplicate	1130.	renegade	1180.	saccharide
1081.	quaffed	1131.	reniform	1181.	sacher torte
1082.	quaking aspen	1132.	renowned	1182.	sadhu, saddhu
1083.	quandaries	1133.	repertory	1183.	sagittate
1084.	Quapaw	1134.	replicate	1184.	Saint Elmo's fire
1085.	quasi-stellar object	1135.	reprehend	1185.	Saint-Tropez
1086.	quatrefoil •	1136.	reprobate	1186.	salchow
1087.	query	1137.	requite •	1187.	sallet
1088.	Quetzalcoatl	1138.	rescindable	1188.	saltatorial •
1089.	qui vive	1139.	resistible	1189.	salutatory
1090.	quinoa	1140.	resonance •	1190.	salvific
1091.	quipster	1141.	responsibility	1191.	samizdat •
1092.	quixotical •	1142.	resurrect	1192.	Samoyed
1093.	quokka •	1143.	retention •	1193.	samsara
1094.	rabbinate	1144.	retinoblastoma	1194.	sanbenito •
1095.	raclette	1145.	retrovirus •	1195.	sanctification
1096.	racquetball	1146.	veille •	1196.	sandalwood
1097.	radioecological	1147.	revocation •	1197.	sannyasi •
1098.	radiopaque •	1148.	Reykjavik	1198.	sapid
1099.	rallentando	1149.	rhapsodic	1199.	sardonicism
1100.	rampike	1150.	rhetorician •	1200.	sassaby

1201.	satirize	1251.	singspiel	1301.	substantiate
1202.	sauerbraten	1252.	Sisyphean	1302.	sucrose
1203.	Sausalito	1253.	skimobile	1303.	sui generis
1204.	saxifrage	1254.	Skinnerian	1304.	Sumatran
1205.	sayonara	1255.	slovenly •	1305.	sunny-side up
1206.	scalariform	1256.	smatter •	1306.	supercilious
1207.	scandalmonger	1257.	snollygoster	1307.	supervene •
1208.	scapegrace	1258.	sociopolitical •	1308.	supraorbital
1209.	scarlatinoid •	1259.	soiree, soirée	1309.	surimi
1210.	schlemiel, shlemiel	1260.	solenoid	1310.	susurration
1211.	scholiast	1261.	solicitously	1311.	Swaziland •
1212.	Schrödinger	1262.	Solo man	1312.	syllogism
1213.	sciatica	1263.	sommelier •	1313.	symptomatic
1214.	scopolamine	1264.	somniloquy •	1314.	syncope
1215.	scot-free	1265.	sonneteer	1315.	synecdoche
1216.	screaming meemies	1266.	soubise	1316.	synzesis
1217.	scrimshaw •	1267.	soul-searching	1317.	tacamahac
1218.	scrupulously •	1268.	sousaphone	1318.	taeniaceae, teniacidae
1219.	sculpturesque	1269.	spaghetti Western	1319.	tahsildar, tahseeldar
1220.	scutellate •	1270.	spasmodic •	1320.	tallyho
1221.	séance	1271.	species-specific	1321.	tangential
1222.	sebaceous gland	1272.	Spenserian sonnet	1322.	Tanzania
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1224.	secularize	1274.	spieling	1324.	tarot •
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1226.	segregable	1276.	splenetic	1326.	tautonym
1227.	self-aggrandizing	1277.	spoonerism	1327.	Tay-Sachs disease
1228.	semidiurnal	1278.	Sputnik	1328.	tchotchke, chachka •
1229.	semiopaque •	1279.	squalor •	1329.	teetotaler, teetotaller
1230.	sensei	1280.	standpatter	1330.	telemarketer
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1232.	septicemia	1282.	statutory •	1332.	template, templet •
1233.	sequential	1283.	steak tartare	1333.	tenebrous •
1234.	seraph •	1284.	stegosaur	1334.	terpsichorean
1235.	seriatim	1285.	stenothermal	1335.	terrigenous
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1237.	sexagenarian	1287.	stickle	1337.	testaceous
1238.	sforzando	1288.	stipulation	1338.	tête-à-tête
1239.	shalloon	1289.	stomatology •	1339.	Tetragrammaton
1240.	sharecropper	1290.	storm-petrel, storm petrel	1340.	thanatopsis
1241.	Shelta	1291.	stridulate •	1341.	thematic
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1244.	shogi •	1294.	stultify	1344.	thole pin •
1245.	shrike	1295.	sub rosa (adv.)	1345.	threnody
1246.	sibylline	1296.	subcutaneous	1346.	Tiananmen Square
1247.	sika •	1297.	subfusc •	1347.	tilapia, Tilapia
1248.	silicosis	1298.	subjective idealism	1348.	tinamou
1249.	simpatico •	1299.	suborn •	1349.	Tipperary
1250.	sine die	1300.	subsidize	1350.	tiramisu

1351.	Tishri	1401.	unplumbed	1451.	vox populi
1352.	titubation	1402.	unquenchable	1452.	vulpine •
1353.	toheroa •	1403.	unsusceptible	1453.	Waikiki
1354.	tomatillo	1404.	unwieldy	1454.	Walden Pond •
1355.	tontine	1405.	upwelling (n.)	1455.	Walter Mitty
1356.	topography	1406.	urceolate	1456.	wanderoo
1357.	toreador	1407.	uxorial •	1457.	warrantee
1358.	totalitarianism	1408.	vacillation	1458.	washeteria
1359.	toxicology •	1409.	vagility •	1459.	watermark
1360.	trachea	1410.	vagus nerve	1460.	Waziristan
1361.	transcendent	1411.	Valkyrie	1461.	Wellington boot
1362.	transgressor	1412.	vallecula	1462.	whetstone •
1363.	transmute •	1413.	valvular •	1463.	whinchat
1364.	transparent	1414.	van der Waals	1464.	whiskbroom
1365.	Transylvania	1415.	Vancouver	1465.	whistle-stop (v.)
1366.	trapunto	1416.	varicotomy	1466.	whiz-bang, whizz-bang
1367.	trenchant	1417.	variolite	1467.	wholehearted
1368.	tribrach	1418.	vassalage •	1468.	wildebeest •
1369.	trichromatic	1419.	vaudevillian	1469.	willy-nilly
1370.	triglyph •	1420.	Veda	1470.	Windsor knot
1371.	triphthong •	1421.	velarize	1471.	wiretap
1372.	trivialize	1422.	velour, velours (singular)	1472.	wisteria, Wisteria
1373.	troglydite	1423.	vendue	1473.	wondrous •
1374.	troposphere •	1424.	Venn diagram	1474.	wool sorter's disease
1375.	Tuareg	1425.	ventriloquial	1475.	wordsmith
1376.	Tucson	1426.	venture capital	1476.	worry beads
1377.	tumultuary •	1427.	verbalization	1477.	writ of error •
1378.	tumulus	1428.	verismo	1478.	xanthoma •
1379.	Turkistan, Turkestan	1429.	vernissage •	1479.	xenolith
1380.	Tuscany	1430.	vers libre •	1480.	xerosis •
1381.	tympanum, timpanum	1431.	verticillate	1481.	Xhosa, Xosa
1382.	uitlander, Uitlander	1432.	vertiginous	1482.	XY recorder
1383.	umbrageously	1433.	Vespucci •	1483.	Yahwist
1384.	unachievable	1434.	vetiver	1484.	Yamamoto
1385.	unassailable	1435.	vexatious	1485.	Yaqui
1386.	unbundling	1436.	vibratile	1486.	yaupon •
1387.	unciform •	1437.	vicennial •	1487.	yellowfin tuna
1388.	uncommitted	1438.	victimize	1488.	yerba buena
1389.	Uncompahgre Plateau	1439.	Vietnamese	1489.	ylem •
1390.	underemployed	1440.	vilipend	1490.	Yuchi
1391.	understratum	1441.	viraginous •	1491.	Yukon Territory
1392.	unfounded	1442.	virtuosity	1492.	zaibatsu
1393.	unifoliate	1443.	Visigoth •	1493.	Zaire •
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1395.	uniparous •	1445.	vitriolic	1495.	zedonk
1396.	Universal Product Code	1446.	vivify	1496.	zero-defect
1397.	unmitigated •	1447.	vizier •	1497.	zinc oxide
1398.	unmortise •	1448.	voidable	1498.	Zionism
1399.	unpaginated	1449.	volatility •	1499.	zootechny
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Sample Test Questions

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Questions 1-15 test your ability to recognize and correct misspelled words. From each of the 15 sets, select the one misspelled entry, then write it correctly spelled in the corresponding blank on your answer sheet. Questions 16-30 test your knowledge of the meanings and origins of words. For each sentence, select the best answer; then, using a printed capital letter, write it in the corresponding blank on your answer sheet. You will have 15 minutes to complete questions 1-30, which are worth 1 point each. Credit will be given ONLY for answers placed on your answer sheet.

Proofreading: 15 Points

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| 7. coup d'état | barquantine | samaritan | uncontrollable | melisma |
| 8. epilog | Pacification | sequined | homo sapien | antitussive |
| 9. keeshound | aigret | Prohibitionist | waterloo | everyman |
| 10. gaff | louvre | Sybaritic | re-educate | Cancun |
| 11. arugula | bon vivant | chancel | Naragansset | cachepot |

Vocabulary: 15 Points

16. Because of the hostile feelings between the two families, Romeo and Juliet's relationship was doomed_____.
- A. in petto B. al dente C. passim D. hoi polloi E. ab initio
17. When choosing plants with which to landscape our Texas backyard, we chose the hardy native _____ trees and shrubs rather than any of the tropical varieties.
- A. granivorous B. laniferous C. mycophagous D. autochthonous E. conchoidal
18. The word "_____" likely comes from both the French and Greek, meaning "agent of fine letters."
- A. agent provocateur B. belletrist C. rosarian D. brevet E. Sephardi
19. France is often considered a Catholic country, but one influential French group, the _____, were Protestant.
- A. Andalusians B. Sephardi C. Serbo-Croatians D. Huguenots E. Gnostics
20. The trait of left-handedness in both twins is considered a rare _____.
- A. concordance B. appurtenance C. globalism D. obeisance E. senectitude

Sample Answer Sheet Part I

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Answer Sheet for Part I
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