

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

Spelling Contest

Invitational District Test

Grades 3 & 4

2023-2024

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	knowing			drama	
	glimmer			crispy	
	dampen			hunch	
	cabbage			decorate	
5.	hiking*	(1)	30.	listen*	(6)
	empty			voter	
	panda			finalist	
	terrace			unabridged	
	mango			hamburger	
10.	fruit*	(2)	35.	pleasing*	(7)
	structure			limber	
	perfect			nonsense	
	ballpoint			hearty	
	heaviness			refund	
15.	railroad*	(3)	40.	round*	(8)
	jersey (fabric)			continue	
	charity			eraser	
	bizarre (odd)			limit	
	enough			feeble	
20.	disappear*	(4)	45.	choice*	(9)
	educated			tissue	
	ideal			yield	
	nurture			opera	
	lettuce			cyclone	
25.	nickel*	(5)	50.	pencil*	(10)

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- lyric
- bonus
- country
- truffle
- 5. meant* (1)
- island
- quiz
- debtor
- fluffy
- 10. jacket* (2)
- activity
- nutmeg
- toaster
- strength
- 15. couch* (3)

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	geranium				vascular	
	halfway				hyperactive	
	epidemic				thrasher	
	nonskid				lignite	
5.	drawer*	(1)		30.	spare*	(6)
	bronco				backpack	
	lullaby				buoyant	
	hearse				quirky	
	obelisk				megapixel	
10.	crumb*	(2)		35.	whether*	(7)
	laminated				overboard	
	nestle				whimsical	
	ferret				unseal	
	publish				redeem	
15.	suppose*	(3)		40.	moment*	(8)
	blinker				murky	
	longhorn				hostility	
	gorilla				audience	
	clerical				confetti	
20.	perfect*	(4)		45.	happiest*	(9)
	jeopardy				certify	
	facade, façade				fraternal	
	mockery				equator	
	serenade				flamingo	
25.	understand*	(5)		50.	wrist*	(10)

- permissive
 compete
 launchpad
 nautical
 55. ruler* (11)
 filtrate
 nosebleed
 jargon
 disdainful
 60. forgive* (12)
 funky
 humane
 elevation
 oration
 65. angriest* (13)
 settlement
 daffodil
 masculine
 avenue
 70. enough* (14)
 omitting
 pecan
 indulge
 phobia
 75. against* (15)
 palomino
 celebration
 tedious
 wrathful
 80. crayon* (16)

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- embassy
- liquidate
- quadrant
- delicious (tasty)
- 5. cities* (1)
- mastodon
- utterance
- kindling
- tentative
- 10. holiday* (2)
- brunet, brunette
- quorum
- cadence
- deluxe
- 15. disappear* (3)
- scrimmage
- unyielding
- overcome
- criticism
- 20. fruit* (4)

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	louse				gamin	
	drupe (fruit)				extract	
	maize				deceitful	
	friar				consumption	
5.	university*	(1)		30.	encircle*	(6)
	borax				ludicrous	
	knockwurst				gouge	
	statuette				hairbreadth	
	vivid				abysmal	
10.	bulletin*	(2)		35.	complex*	(7)
	mortgage				nubble	
	riotous				buccaneer	
	quadrilateral				massacre	
	ghostwrite				lethargic	
15.	endurance*	(3)		40.	vigorously*	(8)
	crustacean				insubordinate	
	narrator				suffocate	
	rescind				ostensible	
	faultfinder				Paleocene	
20.	pedestrian*	(4)		45.	quotation*	(9)
	annihilate				tenderloin	
	embezzle				sainthood	
	flautist				hyacinth	
	brusque				vandalism	
25.	companion*	(5)		50.	radioactive*	(10)

	bankruptcy			docudrama	
	coalition			braggadocio	
	glorification			elliptic	
	ecclesiastical			synchronous	
55.	prestigious*	(11)	85.	crypt*	(17)
	fraudulent			battalion	
	homage			finagle	
	lassitude			hedgehog	
	metamorphosis			pinafore	
60.	subtlety*	(12)	90.	pneumonia*	(18)
	insignia			leprechaun	
	myriad			untutored	
	knavery			Zulu	
	journalism			votive	
65.	lieutenant*	(13)	95.	procrastinate*	(19)
	treatise			egoism	
	skiff			kindred	
	semblance			turbojet	
	parsimony			ogre	
70.	venom*	(14)	100.	specific*	(20)
	rendezvous			sardonic	
	rutabaga			lunacy	
	jocose			urbanite	
	memorabilia			obsolete	
75.	council*	(15)	105.	hospitality*	(21)
	igneous			jokester	
	kapok			huzzah, huzza	
	legate			macro	
	vertigo			trounce	
80.	permeate*	(16)	110.	passageway*	(22)

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	compelling				wizardry
	emaciate				deplorable
	clavichord				gherkin
	bequest				forebode, forbode
5.	fashionable*	(1)	20.	inconvenience*	(4)
	gingivitis			briny	
	duchess			guillotine	
	millennium			linguistics	
	jitterbug			abolition	
10.	epidemic *	(2)	25.	caricature*	(5)
	indolent			endorsement, indorsement	
	ulcer			alibi	
	loiter			circulation	
	ravioli			nosedive (noun)	
15.	supervisor*	(3)	30.	technology*	(6)

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	evoke				elope	
	jade				fossil	
	lemonade				kitchen	
	irregular				herbal	
5.	athlete*	(1)		30.	voice*	(6)
	compassion				input	
	anticipate				celery	
	reckless				doodle	
	humility				gulp	
10.	vein*	(2)		35.	watch*	(7)
	yearning				inhale	
	courage				haystack	
	landslide				gallant	
	swoop				faint	
15.	eclipse*	(3)		40.	freedom*	(8)
	outstanding				notation	
	quench				whiten	
	biosphere				orchid	
	hiss				quartz (mineral)	
20.	display*	(4)		45.	whistle*	(9)
	joyful				nobility	
	lens				locale	
	dusk				allergy	
	oasis				comical	
25.	secret*	(5)		50.	neighbor*	(10)

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- eyedropper
- hypnotic
- diagnose
- confidence
- 5. sigh* (1)
- ragweed
- magnetize
- industry
- keyboard
- 10. season* (2)
- avoid
- favorable
- patient
- leverage
- 15. towel* (3)

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	detention				warthog	
	frenzy				oxidize	
	forcible				ballet	
	certainly				custody	
5.	groceries*	(1)		30.	soften*	(6)
	temptation				grimace	
	pigment				catlike	
	momentum				freight	
	parole				Olympics	
10.	blanket*	(2)		35.	tube*	(7)
	overrule				oldster	
	gloomy				blowgun	
	jacket				giblets	
	tenderize				truism	
15.	mechanic*	(3)		40.	pleasing*	(8)
	rambled				lotion	
	tonal				knead (press into a mass)	
	myth				zipper	
	manuscript				rarity	
20.	fifth*	(4)		45.	husband*	(9)
	author				rebellion	
	knish				dynamite	
	hypocrite				burly	
	ravine				astrology	
25.	season*	(5)		50.	yourself*	(10)

- notched
groundless
efficiency
online
55. famous* (11)
passion (strong feeling)
mince
caramel
term
60. eighty* (12)
premature
utility
latish
oblong
65. kneel* (13)
centigrade
craftier
bifocal
analysis
70. tennis* (14)
machinery
opal
senator
qualifier
75. evening* (15)
morale
hosiery
zonal
bearable
80. attack* (16)

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- expansive
- diminish
- blabbermouth
- artistic
- 5. dawn* (1)
- maximize
- handicraft
- parachute
- copyright
- 10. giant* (2)
- niche
- jurist
- heroics
- delete
- 15. numerator* (3)
- loyally
- weevil
- factor
- interval
- 20. couch* (4)

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	fructose				kookaburra
	democratize				lavatory
	Canadian				lithology
	malfeasance				terminate
5.	vulnerable*	(1)		30.	fibrous* (6)
	ditty				paleontology
	aerospace				xeric
	levitation				turret
	rehearse				joust
10.	amnesty*	(2)		35.	vessel * (7)
	sociologist				illustration
	stellar				salamander
	janitorial				uncivilized
	ouster				meningitis
15.	depth*	(3)		40.	considerable* (8)
	minstrel				travesty
	mastiff				researcher
	contentious				hydrogenous
	asbestos				inclement
20.	exchange*	(4)		45.	leisure* (9)
	composition				cuisine
	fugue				bilateral
	lumbago				alpaca
	octagonal				forsooth
25.	surveillance*	(5)		50.	optimistic* (10)

	environmental			census	
	decibel			populous	
	vociferous			solvent	
	roadrunner			tutelage	
55.	laboratory*	(11)	85.	persuade*	(17)
	suggestible			unclassified	
	vaporizer			radicand	
	adequacy			palmistry	
	boysenberry			January	
60.	omnipotent*	(12)	90.	burglary*	(18)
	charisma			infantile	
	garrison			mausoleum	
	cyberspace			quantum	
	malnourished			vaudeville	
65.	forgetting*	(13)	95.	misdemeanor*	(19)
	inertia			ocular	
	hindrance			kerf	
	docile			stethoscope	
	decorum			relentless	
70.	horizon*	(14)	100.	obedient*	(20)
	gradient			epilepsy	
	leastwise			asphyxiate	
	nurturance			cardigan	
	fortunate			coequal	
75.	threat*	(15)	105.	internally*	(21)
	krypton			excavation	
	Judaism			Native American	
	denim			axiom	
	nonpartisan			harbinger	
80.	nostalgia*	(16)	110.	barometer*	(22)

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	ballerina			tripartite	
	digress			keynote	
	convoy			vellum	
	fabricate			infirmary	
5.	schism*	(1)	20.	escalator*	(4)
	fluky			nodule	
	hyperbole			superstition	
	municipality			mandate	
	rosette			asthma	
10.	educate*	(2)	25.	metropolitan*	(5)
	theodolite			calamari	
	zooplankton			murmur	
	torsion			infuriate	
	optionally			onyx	
15.	amusement*	(3)	30.	capably*	(6)

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	rookie				jeer	
	meddle				elective	
	prune				florist	
	unite				vanilla	
5.	easier*	(1)		30.	button*	(6)
	European				torment	
	angel				owlish	
	barrel				broccoli	
	core (center part)				smart	
10.	drain*	(2)		35.	cities*	(7)
	represent				goose	
	overhead				greenery	
	phonetic				billion	
	occupy				horizon	
15.	danger*	(3)		40.	forever*	(8)
	toothache				denim	
	spouse				fiesta	
	termite				grapple	
	absorb				ribbon	
20.	mailbox*	(4)		45.	paper*	(9)
	circus				pastel	
	spiral				octave	
	interview				skeleton	
	galactic				grumpy	
25.	grandmother*	(5)		50.	question*	(10)

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- veteran
- client
- alternate
- obstruct
- 5. return* (1)
- golf
- canary
- boarder (renter)
- grindstone
- 10. hour* (2)
- dime
- boring
- thrifty
- parsnip
- 15. common* (3)

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	Navajo, Navaho				burnish	
	passenger				decal	
	engraving				antiseptic	
	hoodwink				quoting	
5.	governor*	(1)		30.	hyphen*	(6)
	incapable				wholesale	
	vain (conceit)				scalpel	
	fiasco				rebate	
	bulletin				uglify	
10.	pressure*	(2)		35.	headache*	(7)
	mournful				marksman	
	helicopter				illegible	
	aquarium				kimono	
	theft				impostor, imposter	
15.	vegetable*	(3)		40.	principal*	(8)
	sculptor				vagrant	
	eccentric				courteous	
	ozone layer				freight	
	nitrogen				eaglet	
20.	teaspoon*	(4)		45.	scissors*	(9)
	December				grantee	
	ovate				oust	
	flexible				scholastic	
	grieving				misquote	
25.	solar*	(5)		50.	millionaire*	(10)

- fiddlestick
 emporium
 bravado
 antenna
 55. rural* (11)
 ninja
 unbiased
 southerly
 rectify
 60. mammal* (12)
 wagered
 cinnamon
 almanac
 gnash
 65. ancient* (13)
 hairstylist
 dumbwaiter
 gene (unit of DNA)
 collaborate
 70. sailor* (14)
 offensive
 leaven
 inhumane
 heyday
 75. league* (15)
 barricade
 finicky
 pistachio
 mundane
 80. grief* (16)

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- establish
- novelty
- penicillin
- denial
- 5. rehearse* (1)
- loiterer
- gearshift
- pawnbroker
- octopus
- 10. improvement* (2)
- tactical
- scoutmaster
- hoax
- slithery
- 15. patient* (3)
- misery
- yardage
- ecosystem
- graduate
- 20. climate* (4)

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	goldenrod			falsification	
	orangutan			opaqueness	
	blank verse			buttermilk	
	nefarious			monosyllabic	
5.	embargo*	(1)		protein*	(6)
	appendicitis			praiseworthy	
	provocative			ruffian	
	presumptuous			periodical	
	emulsify			subterranean	
10.	phenomenon*	(2)		securing*	(7)
	busybody			motherboard	
	fragmentary			hassock	
	grudgingly			rectory	
	crouton			togetherness	
15.	unsanitary*	(3)		glamorous*	(8)
	confiscate			kiwifruit	
	henna			ricochet	
	facial			gratuity	
	hexagonal			oxford (shoe)	
20.	chrysanthemum*	(4)		abstain*	(9)
	homespun			bureaucratic	
	murkiness			Jupiter	
	larkspur			loganberry	
	Gemini			dispossess	
25.	vacillate*	(5)		accommodate*	(10)

	issuance			correspond	
	bourgeoisie			eucalyptus	
	junk mail			blizzard	
	nonempirical			high-definition	
55.	taboo*	(11)	85.	belligerent*	(17)
	triviality			feebleminded	
	Yorkshire terrier			doleful	
	odoriferous			benefactress	
	repulsive			furtherance	
60.	relieve*	(12)	90.	newsstand*	(18)
	melanin			fiberglass	
	ninetieth			beguile	
	functional			abeyance	
	baroness			smithereens	
65.	intermittent*	(13)	95.	minimize*	(19)
	defeatism			withe	
	chlorophyll			tubercle	
	lapel			quintuple	
	acquiesce			paramedic	
70.	malady*	(14)	100.	plaintiff*	(20)
	jerkwater			succotash	
	watchfulness			shatterproof	
	audacious			incalculable	
	follicle			guinea pig	
75.	melodious*	(15)	105.	surmise*	(21)
	Comanche			grisly (gruesome)	
	emblazon			iteration	
	despicable			panhandle	
	newfangled			invasive	
80.	obstinate*	(16)	110.	scandalize*	(22)

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	diadem			viewpoint	
	antidote			relinquish	
	nonviolence			noncombatant	
	lackluster			therapeutic	
5.	transient*	(1)	20.	scholar*	(4)
	idiosyncrasy			verbose	
	nickelodeon			utensil	
	maxillary			sea level	
	quarter horse			outrigger	
10.	lucrative*	(2)	25.	deficiency*	(5)
	limousine			parenthesis	
	humus			indispensable	
	rowdiness			glazier	
	repertoire			neutralism	
15.	aerial*	(3)	30.	discrepancy*	(6)

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