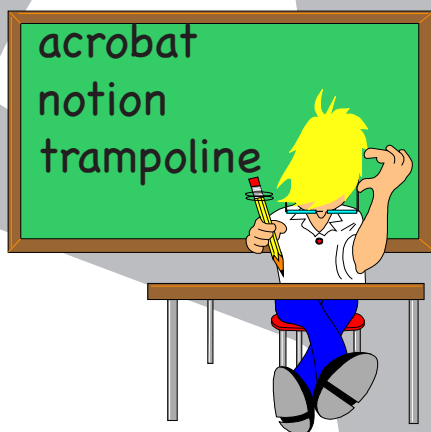


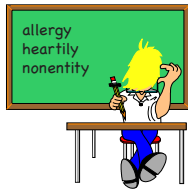
# Spelling List

2024-2025

For elementary, middle and  
junior high school students in grades 3-8



University Interscholastic League



# Foreword

The spelling contest is designed to give students exposure to a wide variety of vocabulary words. Preparation for this contest should include instruction in the rules of the English language, definitions and root words. In addition to learning to spell proficiently, contestants will learn to write clearly and to properly capitalize words.

## Word Lists

This bulletin contains three lists, each of which is a source of words for the UIL spelling contests. Divisions are by grade, as follows: (1) Grades 3 and 4; (2) Grades 5 and 6; (3) Grades 7 and 8. The words have been selected to supplement state-adopted texts.

The authority for all words is Merriam Webster's Intermediate Dictionary. Approximately 20 percent of the test words come from sources other than the UIL spelling lists.



## Dictionary

The Merriam Webster's Intermediate Dictionary is the official source for the UIL spelling and dictionary skills competitions at the elementary and junior high levels. The dictionary can be purchased from Texas Educational Paperbacks, 3824 Cedar Springs Rd., #202, Dallas, TX 75219-4168; 800-443-2078; fax: 800.437.7070; web: [www.tepbooks.com](http://www.tepbooks.com).

## Alternate spellings

When an alternate spelling exists, students are required to spell only one variant. Acceptable alternatives in the bulletin are listed together and separated by commas. Alternate endings are shown in parentheses as follows: blond (e).

## Capitalization

Where it is correct to start a word with a capital or lowercase letter, it will be shown as follows: alligator (A). If a word is listed in the dictionary with a capital and lowercase letter but the word only appears on the list with a lowercase letter, the capitalized version is not correct. If a word is listed in the dictionary with a capital and lowercase letter but the word only appears on the list with a capital letter, the lowercase version is not correct.

## Explanatory Words

Explanatory words, such as parts of speech or brief definitions, are listed in parentheses after the word. These definitions serve only to identify words which are homonyms or near-homonyms. Space does not allow full definitions of words, and the short definition given may need to be explained to the student.

## Corrections

Any misprints or other errors found in the list should be reported to the League office at once. Errors and corrections are posted on the UIL web site.

## Printing and cursive acceptable

First and foremost, this is a test to determine spelling excellence. Therefore, plain writing rules do not apply. However, the student is expected to write each word legibly. If there is a question on legibility, to determine whether a given letter is legible, place a blank piece of paper on either side of it, separating it from its context. Even though it may not be perfectly written, any letter is considered correct which can still be identified when separated from the remainder of the word. Students may use either a printing or a cursive style of handwriting. Spelling, not handwriting, is the main goal of this event.

A set of rules is provided in this publication for your convenience. Should there be an inconsistency between these rules and those in the Constitution and Contest Rules, the C&CR (Section 1470) prevails.

## Spelling Resources

Visit the [UIL A+ Spelling page](#) for additional information and links.



CONSTITUTION  
& CONTEST  
*Rules*

Section 1470: SPELLING

(a) THE CONTEST.

- (1) Summary. This contest is designed to give students exposure to a wide variety of vocabulary words. It is not a contest of memorization. For the most educational value, preparation for this contest should include instruction in the rules of the English language, meanings and definitions, and root words. In addition to learning to spell proficiently, contestants will learn to write clearly and to capitalize words properly. Words will come from the appropriate UIL spelling list, state adopted textbooks and Words of Common Usage. Approximately 20 percent of the test words will come from sources other than the UIL spelling lists. The source designated in official contest procedures will serve as the authority for all words in the contest.
- (2) Contest Format. Students will write down words given by the pronouncer on their paper at a rate of approximately five words per minute.
  - (A) Grades 3 and 4: 50 words; tie breaker, 15 words.
  - (B) Grades 5 and 6: 80 words; tie breaker, 20 words.
  - (C) Grades 7 and 8: 110 words; tie breaker, 30 words.

The tiebreaker is given to all contestants immediately following the initial test. Contestants who do not take the tiebreaker shall be disqualified.

(b) REPRESENTATION.

- (1) Contestants. Students in officially prescribed grade levels below 9th grade who are eligible under Sections 1400 and 1405 may enter this contest.
- (2) Divisions. Districts shall offer either a separate division for each participating grade level or combined grade level divisions as specified in official contest procedures.
- (3) Individual Competition. For each division, each participant school may enter as many as three contestants in the district meet.
- (4) Team Competition. If the district has elected to include team competition, the combined scores of the three contestants in each division from a school shall constitute the school's team score. A team shall have three contestants compete to participate in the team competition.

(c) CONTEST ADMINISTRATION.

- (1) Personnel. The contest director will be in charge of running the contest and resolving any problems that arise. The director may also serve as the pronouncer as long as he/she is not the coach of any student in the contest. The pronouncer shall not be a coach of any contestant entered in the contest. Responsibilities of the pronouncer are as specified in official contest procedures. Additional required and recommended contest personnel are specified in official contest procedures.
- (2) Verification Period. A verification period shall be provided. Unofficial results should be posted. Contestants and coaches should be given no more than 15 minutes to examine their test papers with official keys. Questions should be directed to the contest director, whose decisions shall be final.
- (3) Ties and Points. Ties in individual competition are to be broken by scoring the tie breaker test of only those involved in the tie. When calculating team scores, do not include scores from the tie breaker portion of the test unless a tie exists. If a tie exists in team competition, calculate the tie breaker scores for only those teams involved in the tie. If the tie remains after scoring the tie breaker, the tie shall stand. If there is a tie for first place, there is no second place. If there is a tie for second place, there is no third place, etc. Points are awarded as specified in Section 1408 (i).
- (4) Certificates. Students who score 100% in district competition are eligible to receive a Certificate of Achievement. Words misspelled on the tie breaker do not disqualify a student from a certificate.
- (5) Official Results. After the verification period has ended and all test papers have been collected, the contest director shall announce the official results. Official results, once announced, are final.
- (6) Returning Materials. No materials from district contests may be returned to contestants prior to official release dates.

REFER TO THE A+ HANDBOOK FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS ON  
CONTEST ADMINISTRATION AND SCORING.

# Grades 3-4

1. abandon
2. absent
3. absolute
4. academy
5. ache
6. address
7. adult
8. afterglow
9. against
10. airliner
11. alley
12. allspice
13. almond
14. already
15. alter (to change)
16. ambition
17. amusement
18. ancestor
19. annual
20. apology
21. appetite
22. argue
23. artist
24. assign
25. astronomer
26. athlete
27. autograph
28. autumn
29. awesome
30. backpack
31. badger
32. bagel
33. bait
34. banana
35. barefoot
36. bark
37. barley
38. barrier
39. baste
40. beaver
41. beehive
42. beige
43. beverage
44. beware
45. biology
46. black hole
47. blade
48. blockage
49. blueberry
50. blurt
51. blush
52. borrow
53. bottom
54. bravery
55. bridesmaid
56. bridle
57. bronco
58. brownie (dessert)
59. building
60. built-in
61. buttermilk
62. California
63. calm
64. camel
65. canine
66. capsule
67. cashew
68. caterpillar
69. catwalk
70. cautious
71. cement
72. century
73. champion
74. charming
75. cheerful
76. childish
77. chuckle
78. circuit
79. circulate
80. citizenship
81. climate
82. coconut
83. collection
84. comma
85. company
86. compel
87. computer
88. concern
89. condone
90. copy
91. cousin
92. creakier
93. creepy
94. cricket
95. curtsy, curtsey
96. custard
97. dairy
98. dazzled
99. deaden
100. decaf
101. decent
102. decimal
103. decline
104. dentist
105. dependable
106. desktop
107. dessert (food)
108. develop
109. diary
110. dipper (long-handled cup)
111. direction
112. disappoint
113. disease
114. dishonest
115. dismiss
116. dispute
117. distrust
118. dizzy
119. doggy
120. dose
121. downwind
122. dramatic
123. dribble
124. drinkable
125. drudge
126. duet
127. eagle
128. earnings
129. easiest
130. easygoing
131. echo
132. economical
133. edition
134. educate
135. eggplant
136. either
137. elderly
138. electrify
139. element
140. elevator
141. elude
142. emotion
143. empower
144. enable
145. ending
146. energy
147. entirely
148. entrap
149. entry
150. error

## Grades 3–4 (cont'd)

151. essay	201. giggle	251. igloo
152. esteem	202. giraffe	252. illness
153. ever	203. glassblower	253. image
154. example	204. glimpse	254. immune
155. exchange	205. gloomy	255. impact
156. exercise	206. goalpost	256. imprint
157. export	207. goggles	257. imprison
158. eye-catching	208. gosling	258. incoming
159. eyelash	209. grader	259. index
160. factual	210. granite	260. indigo
161. falcon	211. graph	261. infest
162. famous	212. gravity	262. inform
163. farmstead	213. gravy	263. inherit
164. faucet	214. greedy	264. injury
165. fearless	215. griddle	265. inkling
166. ferret	216. grime	266. inland
167. festival	217. grungy	267. inquest
168. fidget	218. guardian	268. inscribe
169. field	219. guide	269. insertion
170. filmstrip	220. guitar	270. insulate
171. fizzling	221. gummy	271. interest
172. flavor	222. gusto	272. intrude
173. fleece	223. hairdresser	273. inventive
174. foliage	224. hallway	274. Irish
175. footstep	225. halt	275. iron
176. foresight	226. handful	276. irritate
177. forestry	227. handsaw	277. jabbed
178. formula	228. hapless	278. jacket
179. forthright	229. harmonica	279. jailbird
180. framed	230. harp	280. janitor
181. frank (giving an opinion)	231. harvest	281. jawbone
182. freaky	232. hateful	282. jelly
183. frightful	233. hawk	283. journal
184. frown	234. headfirst	284. June
185. fudge	235. healer	285. junior
186. funnel	236. heavenly	286. kennel
187. furry	237. hefty	287. keynote
188. gadget	238. hemline	288. kidnap
189. gala	239. heritage	289. kindness
190. galaxy	240. hipbone	290. kitty
191. garden	241. Hispanic	291. knuckle
192. garment	242. history	292. kook
193. garnish	243. hoarse	293. landing
194. gathering	244. honorable	294. landscape
195. generous	245. hotel	295. larva
196. genius	246. hottest	296. lately
197. genteel	247. housemaid	297. latitude
198. geology	248. humid	298. lavender
199. German	249. hurricane	299. lawyer
200. germfree	250. hurried	300. leader

## Grades 3-4 (cont'd)

301. leakage	351. mystery	401. ounce
302. leap	352. myth	402. outlandish
303. legally	353. napkin	403. outside
304. leotard	354. narrate	404. override
305. liberty	355. national	405. ozone
306. ligament	356. naturalize	406. painful
307. light-footed	357. nearby	407. panic
308. likeness	358. necessary	408. parasite
309. limiting	359. necklace	409. parish
310. linger	360. neglect	
		411. particle
311. lining	361. nephew	412. pastry
312. listen	362. newlywed	413. pasture
313. live	363. nineteenth	414. patrolman
314. lofty	364. noel	415. peach
315. logbook	365. noggin	416. peacock
316. longhorn	366. nomad	417. pecan
317. loudness	367. nonfiction	418. pedicure
318. loveliness	368. nonviolent	419. percent
319. luminous	369. normal	420. perky
320. lure	370. nosebleed	
		421. perplex
321. lush	371. noted	422. perspire
322. machine	372. notion	423. phonics
323. magazine	373. nourish	424. phrase
324. magical	374. novel	425. physical
325. magnet	375. noxious	426. pierce
326. majority	376. nudging	427. pledge
327. mammoth	377. numeric	428. pliable
328. manager	378. nunnery	429. pointless
329. marine	379. nuzzle	430. positive
330. massage	380. nylon	
		431. poultice
331. massive	381. oarsman	432. preacher
332. mechanical	382. obsess	433. precious
333. medicine	383. obstinate	434. predict
334. medley	384. obtain	435. priceless
335. meow	385. oddity	436. primary
336. merge	386. offense, offence	437. prosper
337. mermaid	387. oilcloth	438. proverb
338. microwave	388. okra	439. purebred
339. migrant	389. once	440. quail
340. mineral	390. oodles	
		441. quaint
341. mingled	391. oozy	442. quart
342. minimal	392. operate	443. quash
343. misshapen	393. opposite	444. quest
344. mistletoe	394. opt	445. quibbling
345. mistreat	395. orbit	446. quilt
346. modest	396. ordeal	447. quirk
347. modify	397. ore (rock)	448. quite
348. molasses	398. organ (group of tissues)	449. quoted
349. muffler	399. origin	450. radar
350. muscle	400. ouch	



## Grades 3-4 (cont'd)

451. radio	501. spirited	551. unit
452. raggedy	502. sponsor	552. universe
453. raisin	503. stadium	553. unlisted
454. readable	504. stomach	554. unpleasant
455. rebate	505. struggle	555. unseal
456. recess	506. subtract	556. unsure
457. recollect	507. succeed	557. untangle
458. refashion	508. suddenly	558. upright
459. regardful	509. superior	559. upturn
460. register	510. syllable	560. urban
461. release	511. system	561. usable
462. relic	512. tabulate	562. utterly
463. remedy	513. talent	563. vacate
464. reporter	514. tattered	564. valor
465. reptile	515. tattletale	565. valuable
466. respond	516. teethe	566. variety
467. retail	517. tempting	567. vast
468. retreat	518. tennis	568. vehicle
469. revenge	519. term	569. venom
470. rhino	520. textbook	570. verdict
471. riflery	521. thankfully	571. vibrant
472. romance (a story)	522. theft	572. victor
473. rooster	523. thermostat	573. vinegar
474. rotating	524. thicken	574. violence
475. rough	525. thievery	575. visiting
476. rowdy	526. throat	576. visual
477. ruby	527. thumbnail	577. vocal
478. rudeness	528. thunderbolt	578. vowel
479. rust	529. tickling	579. voyage
480. sacred	530. timid	580. vulture
481. salmon	531. together	581. wakeful
482. salute	532. toughen	582. waltz
483. sarcastic	533. tourism	583. watermelon
484. sawdust	534. treasure	584. weather (climate)
485. scientist	535. tremor	585. welcome
486. scorpion	536. tribal	586. westerly
487. seamstress	537. trombone	587. whitener
488. secretary	538. trouble	588. wholesome
489. seventh	539. tulip	589. wisdom
490. several	540. tuneful	590. worrisome
491. shabby	541. turmoil	591. writing
492. sibling	542. twitter	592. xylem
493. sketch	543. typhoon	593. yank (pull suddenly)
494. slippery	544. umpire	594. yardage
495. sluggish	545. unable	595. yearly
496. snoopy	546. underhand	596. yoga, Yoga
497. soccer	547. underneath	597. youthful
498. soprano	548. unfair	598. zap
499. sourdough	549. unicorn	599. zest
500. soybean	550. uninstall	600. zookeeper

# Grades 5-6

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|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. abbreviate     | 51. barbarian        | 101. cataract        |
| 2. abnormality    | 52. bareback         | 102. cavernous       |
| 3. abode          | 53. bargain          | 103. centimeter      |
| 4. abrasion       | 54. barrette         | 104. ceremony        |
| 5. abundantly     | 55. bashfulness      | 105. chaplain        |
| 6. academic       | 56. beacon           | 106. charitable      |
| 7. accessory      | 57. bedazzle         | 107. choppiness      |
| 8. accordion      | 58. bedridden        | 108. cinema          |
| 9. acidic         | 59. beforehand       | 109. circulation     |
| 10. acne          | 60. behavior         | 110. circumstance    |
| 11. acrobat       | 61. believable       | 111. clearance       |
| 12. adhesive      | 62. beneficial       | 112. clergy          |
| 13. admirable     | 63. benevolent       | 113. clincher        |
| 14. adoption      | 64. biannual         | 114. closure         |
| 15. adversary     | 65. bicultural       | 115. cohesion        |
| 16. affected      | 66. bicycle          | 116. coincidence     |
| 17. affliction    | 67. billionaire      | 117. colander        |
| 18. affordable    | 68. bimonthly        | 118. columnist       |
| 19. agenda        | 69. biodiversity     | 119. combustion      |
| 20. airport       | 70. bionics          | 120. commercial      |
| 21. alimony       | 71. birthmark        | 121. communicable    |
| 22. allergic      | 72. blamable         | 122. commute         |
| 23. alliance      | 73. blarney          | 123. complaint       |
| 24. alpaca        | 74. blissful         | 124. concentrate     |
| 25. alphabetical  | 75. blistering       | 125. concerto        |
| 26. amateur       | 76. bluebonnet       | 126. confirmed       |
| 27. amplify       | 77. bolster          | 127. congratulate    |
| 28. amusing       | 78. bonfire          | 128. connection      |
| 29. animate       | 79. boomerang        | 129. connive         |
| 30. anklebone     | 80. botulism         | 130. consultation    |
| 31. annex         | 81. boulevard        | 131. convention      |
| 32. antibacterial | 82. bountiful        | 132. convoy          |
| 33. antibiotic    | 83. braggart         | 133. corrode         |
| 34. anxiety       | 84. braille, Braille | 134. corruption      |
| 35. apparition    | 85. brainstorm       | 135. cramming        |
| 36. appease       | 86. brilliance       | 136. creative        |
| 37. applause      | 87. brisket          | 137. critical        |
| 38. aptitude      | 88. brooch           | 138. curiosity       |
| 39. aquamarine    | 89. buffered         | 139. currency        |
| 40. arcade        | 90. buffoonery       | 140. curtain         |
| 41. arrangement   | 91. bulbous          | 141. damask (fabric) |
| 42. assortment    | 92. bureau           | 142. dauntless       |
| 43. athletic      | 93. burglarize       | 143. debonair        |
| 44. attractive    | 94. calculate        | 144. debt            |
| 45. auditory      | 95. calendar         | 145. decagon         |
| 46. avalanche     | 96. canopy           | 146. deceit          |
| 47. avocado       | 97. capitalism       | 147. declining       |
| 48. badminton     | 98. cardiac          | 148. deductible      |
| 49. balky         | 99. carnation        | 149. deflate         |
| 50. ballyhoo      | 100. cartridge       | 150. deformity       |

## Grades 5-6 (cont'd)

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 151. dehydrate                | 201. energetic              | 251. formative        |
| 152. delivery                 | 202. engagement             | 252. fortitude        |
| 153. democracy                | 203. enjoyably              | 253. foyer            |
| 154. deodorant                | 204. enormity               | 254. fraction         |
| 155. desperate                | 205. entirety               | 255. fragile          |
| 156. detestable               | 206. environment            | 256. fragrance        |
| 157. development              | 207. episode                | 257. frankfurter      |
| 158. devotion                 | 208. equate                 | 258. fraternity       |
| 159. diagram                  | 209. erase                  | 259. freebie, freebee |
| 160. dictation                | 210. escapism               | 260. freedom          |
| 161. dietary                  | 211. estimate               | 261. frontier         |
| 162. diligent                 | 212. ethical                | 262. functional       |
| 163. diorama                  | 213. everglade              | 263. funeral          |
| 164. discipline               | 214. evict                  | 264. furlough         |
| 165. discreet (good judgment) | 215. evidence               | 265. fuzziness        |
| 166. disembark                | 216. excel                  | 266. gangplank        |
| 167. disinfect                | 217. exercising             | 267. gasoline         |
| 168. dispensable              | 218. exhale                 | 268. gaudy            |
| 169. disregard                | 219. existence              | 269. gauze            |
| 170. district                 | 220. expenditure            | 270. gearless         |
| 171. divergence               | 221. experience             | 271. gemstone         |
| 172. doleful                  | 222. exploration            | 272. generality       |
| 173. domain                   | 223. expound                | 273. generation       |
| 174. dominance                | 224. extremity              | 274. genetic          |
| 175. dosage                   | 225. fabulous               | 275. geographical     |
| 176. downcast                 | 226. facedown               | 276. geometric        |
| 177. draftsman                | 227. factorization          | 277. giddy            |
| 178. drone                    | 228. famish                 | 278. gingerly         |
| 179. dumpling                 | 229. fanciful               | 279. glacier          |
| 180. dwindle                  | 230. fatalism               | 280. gloominess       |
| 181. dynasty                  | 231. fattened               | 281. gluttony         |
| 182. earliest                 | 232. federalist, Federalist | 282. goldenrod        |
| 183. earphone                 | 233. feminine               | 283. good-humored     |
| 184. earsplitting             | 234. ferocious              | 284. goodwill         |
| 185. editorial                | 235. fiberglass             | 285. gooseneck        |
| 186. effective                | 236. fictionalize           | 286. gorgeous         |
| 187. egoism                   | 237. fidelity               | 287. govern           |
| 188. elaborate                | 238. fiercely               | 288. gradually        |
| 189. elapse                   | 239. filbert                | 289. graffiti         |
| 190. elasticity               | 240. filtration             | 290. granola          |
| 191. electromagnet            | 241. flagrant               | 291. graphic          |
| 192. eligible                 | 242. flatterer              | 292. gravitation      |
| 193. emanate                  | 243. flounce                | 293. greasier         |
| 194. embroidery               | 244. food chain             | 294. greatness        |
| 195. emergency                | 245. footbridge             | 295. greengrocer      |
| 196. emotional                | 246. foreclose              | 296. griminess        |
| 197. employee                 | 247. foreign                | 297. grinning         |
| 198. encore                   | 248. forerunner             | 298. grizzled         |
| 199. endear                   | 249. forgery                | 299. grouchy          |
| 200. endurance                | 250. forgetfulness          | 300. guidance         |

## Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

301. guidebook	351. imitative	401. kinship
302. gumbo	352. immense	402. Kleenex (trademark)
303. gurgle	353. immodest	403. knighthood
304. habitable	354. immovable	404. knitting
305. haggard	355. impassable	405. knockabout
306. hamstring	356. impeach	406. laboratory
307. handicapped	357. impossible	407. lacerate
308. handily	358. improper	408. lamentation
309. handlebar	359. improvise	409. laminate
310. happiness	360. incidence	410. landline
311. happy-go-lucky	361. incision	411. languid
312. harmfully	362. inconvenience	412. larceny
313. hatchery	363. indecision	413. lattice
314. hauntingly	364. independent	414. lawlessly
315. heatedly	365. indicator	415. layette
316. heather	366. inedible	416. league
317. heatstroke	367. infatuate	417. leastwise
318. hedgehog	368. inferior	418. leathery
319. heighten	369. inherent	419. lectern
320. henceforth	370. injustice	420. leeway
321. hepatitis	371. innovative	421. legality
322. herbicide	372. instructor	422. legislature
323. hexagon	373. insulation	423. leisure
324. hibachi	374. insurance	424. lemon
325. hideous	375. interesting	425. levelheaded
326. hindrance	376. intermittent	426. licorice
327. hoist	377. internist	427. lifeline
328. hominid	378. intrusive	428. light-year
329. homophone	379. inventory	429. limerick
330. honeycomb	380. invigorate	430. lineage
331. hoopskirt	381. invitation	431. liquefy
332. horoscope	382. irrational	432. listener
333. hotheaded	383. irrigation	433. lobbyist
334. hovercraft	384. issue	434. locality
335. humidity	385. jaguar	435. loneliness
336. hummingbird	386. jamboree	436. loose
337. husbandry	387. jawbreaker	437. lottery
338. hydrology	388. jellyfish	438. loudmouth
339. hyena	389. jetty	439. lumberyard
340. hygienic	390. jitterbug	440. luminescent
341. hyphen	391. jobholder	441. luxurious
342. hypnosis	392. joggled	442. lynx (cat)
343. hysterics	393. joist	443. magnetic
344. icicle	394. jubilation	444. magnolia
345. idealism	395. juniper	445. mainstream
346. identical	396. justify	446. maize
347. ideology	397. kelp	447. malefactor
348. ignoring	398. kernel (part of a seed)	448. malformation
349. illegal	399. kidney	449. malicious
350. imaginable	400. kindhearted	450. manageable

## Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

451. marathon (footrace)	501. newspaperman	551. original
452. mascara	502. nifty	552. ornery
453. masterful	503. nightly	553. outburst
454. materialize	504. ninepin	554. outlying
455. maturity	505. nitpick	555. outwardly
456. maximum	506. noiseless	556. outweigh
457. Maya	507. nonchalant	557. overestimate
458. meaningful	508. nonprofit	558. override
459. medication	509. nonsense	559. oversupply
460. meditative	510. nonverbal	560. oxygen
461. melodrama	511. nonviolence	561. packaging
462. membrane	512. normalize	562. palpitate
463. memorial	513. northeasterly	563. panhandle
464. mercenary	514. nostalgic	564. paradise
465. merchant	515. notoriety	565. paradox
466. metallic	516. nougat	566. parakeet
467. meteorologist	517. novitiate	567. paralysis
468. migratory	518. nozzle	568. pathogen
469. miniature	519. nuisance	569. patriotic
470. minivan	520. numeral	570. pedestal
471. minority	521. nurturant	571. pedicure
472. misconception	522. nuthatch	572. penalize
473. misguidance	523. nutlet	573. penetrate
474. misspend	524. nutriment	574. penitence
475. mistletoe	525. obese	575. pepperoni
476. mistrust	526. obeying	576. percentage
477. monitor	527. obituary	577. perfection
478. monotone	528. oblivious	578. perilous
479. mosquito	529. obscure	579. perplexity
480. motley	530. observant	580. pesticide
481. multitude	531. obviously	581. petroleum
482. murmur	532. occupation	582. pictorial
483. mutate	533. odometer	583. pineapple
484. nape	534. offertory, Offertory	584. pinkie, pinky
485. narcotic	535. officiate	585. plaintiff
486. narrator	536. olive	586. plasticity
487. nationalism	537. ominous	587. poisonous
488. natural resource	538. onslaught	588. policyholder
489. navigable	539. opacity	589. polyester
490. navigator	540. openhearted	590. portable
491. necessitate	541. operating	591. portfolio
492. needful	542. opposable	592. possession
493. neglectful	543. optimal	593. practical
494. negotiate	544. optometry	594. precinct
495. neighborhood	545. orate	595. predestine
496. nerve	546. orbiter	596. predicament
497. nethermost	547. orderliness	597. proactive
498. nettle	548. ordinary	598. problematic
499. neutralize	549. oregano	599. proceed
500. newcomer	550. organic	600. profession

## Grades 5–6 (cont'd)

601. prosperous	651. roughneck	701. talkative
602. puzzling	652. rowdiness	702. tastefully
603. quaintness	653. rubella	703. taxation
604. qualm	654. russet	704. technician
605. quarantine	655. sabotage	705. telescopic
606. quarterback	656. salsa	706. temperament
607. queasier	657. sarcasm	707. tension
608. quick bread	658. satisfactory	708. terrier
609. quince	659. scandal	709. terrific
610. quitting	660. scarcely	710. textual
611. quizzes	661. schedule	711. theatrical
612. racketeer	662. scorekeeper	712. thermometer
613. radiantly	663. scourge	713. thesis
614. radical	664. seasonable	714. threaten
615. railroad	665. seclusion	715. thwart
616. ramshackle	666. sectional	716. tightwad
617. raspy	667. sedative	717. timberline
618. rationale	668. seizure	718. tincture
619. realistic	669. semiarid	719. tinsel
620. reasoning	670. sensational	720. toilsome
621. reassure	671. seriously	721. tollgate
622. rebroadcast	672. seventh	722. tomorrow
623. rebuttal	673. shrewd	723. topical
624. receive	674. siesta	724. tousle
625. recession	675. simplicity	725. toxemia
626. reconcile	676. singular	726. tragedy
627. reconstruct	677. situation	727. translate
628. rectangular	678. skittish	728. treasurer
629. reference	679. sociable	729. tremendous
630. refrigerate	680. solidify	730. triangular
631. regardless	681. solstice	731. trophy
632. regiment	682. specific	732. trustworthy
633. relentless	683. spectacle	733. tunnel
634. relevant	684. spectrum	734. turbojet
635. reluctantly	685. splendid	735. twentieth
636. remnant	686. squirm	736. typewriter
637. replacement	687. statement	737. typify
638. replica	688. stationary	738. ultima
639. reptilian	689. stereotype	739. unaffected
640. respectable	690. strategy	740. unaligned
641. restaurant	691. stubborn	741. unbearable
642. retort	692. subjective	742. unblemished
643. retriever	693. substantial	743. unclassified
644. revenue	694. summary	744. underpass
645. review	695. supplement	745. unenclosed
646. ricotta	696. survive	746. uneventful
647. ridiculous	697. syllabicate	747. uniformity
648. roadrunner	698. symbolism	748. university
649. rodent	699. synthetic	749. unlined
650. rollicking	700. taffeta	750. unplug

## Grades 5-6 (cont'd)

- 751. unravel
- 752. unutterable
- 753. uproarious
- 754. usage
- 755. uttermost
- 756. vaccinate
- 757. validity
- 758. vandalism
- 759. vanquish
- 760. vaporize
  
- 761. vegetative
- 762. velocity
- 763. vendetta
- 764. veneer
- 765. venture
- 766. Venus
- 767. version
- 768. veterinarian
- 769. victimize
- 770. vigilant
  
- 771. vindicate
- 772. visitation
- 773. vitality
- 774. vivid
- 775. vocation
- 776. volcanic
- 777. volume
- 778. waistband
- 779. wallaby
- 780. warehouse
  
- 781. warrant
- 782. wash-and-wear
- 783. waspish
- 784. wearable
- 785. web-footed
- 786. wharf
- 787. wheelchair
- 788. wherefore
- 789. white blood cell
- 790. whitening
  
- 791. wireless
- 792. wisecrack
- 793. wittingly
- 794. woozy
- 795. workmanship
- 796. xylophone
- 797. yacht
- 798. yearling
- 799. zealous
- 800. zestfully

# Grades 7-8

1. abdicate
2. abhorrent
3. accede
4. accelerating
5. acclimate
6. accommodate
7. accumulate
8. accuracy
9. acidify
10. acronym
11. addict
12. administration
13. admonition
14. advancement
15. advocate
16. aerobatics
17. afterthought
18. agglutinate
19. albacore
20. allegorical
21. alliteration
22. alumni
23. ambidextrous
24. amicable
25. amphibian
26. amphitheater
27. analytic
28. anesthesia
29. annotate
30. annoyance
31. antagonize
32. anthropology
33. apathetic
34. aphorism
35. apportionment
36. apprehensive
37. arduous
38. arguable
39. arithmetician
40. assertiveness
41. assiduous
42. assimilate
43. asteroid
44. asylum
45. atrocious
46. attendance
47. atypical
48. audacity
49. aurora
50. authorize
51. autocratic
52. autonomous
53. awry
54. backstroke
55. balustrade
56. bandolier, bandoleer
57. barbarous
58. barometer
59. barracuda
60. basalt
61. beautician
62. begrudge
63. beguiling
64. belligerent
65. benediction
66. beneficiary
67. bereavement
68. beseech
69. betrothal
70. beveled, bevelled
71. bicentennial
72. bicuspid
73. biodegradable
74. biophysics
75. biopsy
76. bivouac
77. bloodcurdling
78. boisterous
79. botanist
80. boulevard
81. brachiopod
82. brainstorming
83. brevity
84. brilliancy
85. brontosaurus
86. brother-in-law
87. bulimia
88. bulletproof
89. bungalow
90. businessperson
91. butane
92. butterscotch
93. bystander
94. calculus
95. calisthenics
96. camouflage
97. capacious
98. carcinogen
99. catastrophe
100. Celsius
101. censorship
102. ceremonial
103. chalice
104. chambray
105. charade
106. chivalry
107. chloroform
108. cholesterol
109. choreography
110. chronological
111. chrysanthemum
112. circumstantial
113. citation
114. citronella
115. clairvoyant
116. clavicle
117. cognition
118. coleslaw
119. colloquial
120. comedienne
121. commendation
122. commodious
123. competence
124. compilation
125. compliance
126. comprehend
127. concentric
128. condescend
129. condominium
130. conflagration
131. connoisseur
132. conspiratorial
133. construed
134. consumable
135. contaminant
136. contingency
137. continuance
138. controversy
139. convenience
140. corduroy
141. correspondent
142. cosmetology
143. cosmonaut
144. credibility
145. crestfallen
146. cryogenics
147. cubbyhole
148. curriculum
149. customary
150. dandelion



## Grades 7-8 (cont'd)

151. deaconess	201. eclipse	251. fatuity
152. deadline	202. effervesce	252. fealty
153. debatable	203. egregious	253. federation
154. debut	204. electrician	254. fedora
155. decadent	205. elephantine	255. feline
156. decisive	206. elevated	256. fermentation
157. declarative	207. emancipation	257. fieldstone
158. declension	208. embankment	258. figurative
159. decommission	209. emblematic	259. fireproof
160. decrepit	210. embodiment	260. flabbergast
161. deferential	211. empathy	261. flippancy
162. deficiency	212. emphasis	262. flirtatious
163. delectable	213. emphysema	263. fluid ounce
164. deleterious	214. emporium	264. foible
165. demeanor	215. emptiness	265. foliated
166. dementia	216. enclosure, inclosure	266. foolhardy
167. demoralize	217. encouragement	267. forbearance
168. denunciation	218. endowment	268. foredoom
169. dependency	219. enigmatic	269. foreseeable
170. depressurize	220. entertainment	270. forfeiture
171. derivative	221. enthusiasm	271. forthcoming
172. desirable	222. enviable	272. forum
173. despise	223. epigram	273. fractional
174. destructible	224. epitomize	274. frequency
175. deteriorate	225. equilateral	275. friendliness
176. detriment	226. equitable	276. frijole
177. dexterous, dextrous	227. equivalence	277. frivolous
178. diagnosis	228. escalation	278. frolicsome
179. dignified	229. espresso	279. frontispiece
180. diorama	230. et cetera	280. fruition
181. diphtheria	231. ethnocentric	281. fugitive
182. discourtesy	232. euthanasia	282. functionary
183. disobedience	233. exactitude	283. funicular
184. disposal	234. exasperate	284. futon
185. disreputable	235. excessive	285. gadgetry
186. disruptive	236. excitable	286. galore
187. dissonance	237. exemplify	287. gamma
188. distribute	238. exfoliate	288. gargoyle
189. divisible	239. exhaustive	289. gaudiness
190. dodder (tremble)	240. exonerate	290. gazpacho
191. domestic	241. exoskeleton	291. geneticist
192. dossier	242. expertise	292. genre
193. doubleheader	243. explicable	293. gentility
194. dubious	244. extrasensory	294. geocentric
195. ductility	245. extravehicular	295. germicide
196. dulcet	246. exultation	296. geyser
197. duress	247. facile	297. Gibraltar
198. dyslexia	248. factitious	298. gigahertz
199. easel	249. falsetto	299. gimmicky
200. éclair	250. fantasia	300. gizmo, gismo

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301. glamour, glamor	351. hologram	401. infamous
302. glistened	352. Holstein	402. infelicitous
303. glorious	353. homologous	403. infinite
304. gluttonous	354. honorary	404. inflexible
305. gnomon	355. hootenanny	405. influential
306. gondola	356. horrendous	406. infrequent
307. good-natured	357. hospice	407. inhalation
308. gossamer	358. hourglass	408. inscrutable
309. gradation	359. hullabaloo	409. inseparable
310. grandiose	360. humanoid	410. instigate
311. graphite	361. humidior	411. interloper
312. gratify	362. humiliating	412. intermediate
313. gratis	363. hybrid	413. interpreter
314. greasepaint	364. hydraulic	414. interrogate
315. grievance	365. hydroxide	415. invertebrate
316. groomsmen	366. hypersensitive	416. ionosphere
317. grotesque	367. hypnotist	417. irregularity
318. grouchiness	368. hypocrisy	418. irremovable
319. grueling, gruelling	369. hypotension	419. irresistible
320. Gruyère	370. hysterical	420. irreverent
321. guacamole	371. idiomatic	421. jabot
322. guarantee	372. iguana	422. jackal
323. guidepost	373. illegibly	423. jambalaya
324. guiltiness	374. illicit	424. jennet
325. guzzling	375. illustrious	425. jeopardize
326. gyrfalcon	376. imbue	426. jittery
327. gyroscope	377. immaturity	427. jobber
328. habitation	378. immensity	428. jokingly
329. haiku	379. immortalize	429. Joshua tree
330. hairsplitter	380. impatient	430. journalese
331. hallelujah	381. impeccable	431. jubilant
332. hardheaded	382. imperative	432. judicious
333. hardihood	383. imperceptible	433. jugular (throat)
334. harpsichord	384. implement	434. junket
335. haughtily	385. impoverish	435. jurisprudence
336. healthier	386. impulsive	436. justification
337. heartrending	387. inadvertent	437. juxtapose
338. heedless	388. inalienable	438. Kabuki
339. helmsman	389. incandescent	439. karate
340. hemisphere	390. incarnate	440. katydid
341. heptagonal	391. incinerate	441. kayak
342. heretical	392. incitement	442. kibosh
343. heritage	393. incognito	443. kickstand
344. herringbone	394. incompatible	444. kilometer
345. hexadecimal	395. inconclusive	445. kindheartedness
346. hibernation	396. incredulous	446. kittenish
347. hierarchy	397. incubate	447. kleptomaniac
348. hilarious	398. indemnity	448. kneecap
349. hoarseness	399. indigo	449. kohl
350. hobbledehoy	400. inducement	450. Korean

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451. kosher	501. mascot	551. no-nonsense
452. laconically	502. matriarchy	552. nonprescription
453. lambkin	503. mayhem	553. nonrandom
454. landfall	504. meddlesome	554. nonvenomous
455. lapidary	505. melancholy	555. normalcy
456. laryngitis	506. mellophone	556. northern lights
457. laser printer	507. memorandum	557. nosegay
458. laudably	508. mercantile	558. noteworthy
459. laughable	509. Mesozoic	559. notifier
460. lavishly	510. mesquite (tree)	560. novelette
461. leaven	511. metabolism	561. numbness
462. lecturing	512. meteorite	562. numerate
463. legation	513. meticulous	563. numismatics
464. legato	514. mincemeat	564. nuptial
465. lengthen	515. minestrone	565. objectionable
466. leprosy	516. mispronounce	566. obliging
467. lexical	517. moccasins	567. obliterate
468. liability	518. moisturizer	568. obscene
469. liberalism	519. molasses	569. observance
470. Libra	520. monarchy	570. obstetrician
471. lieutenantcy	521. monogamous	571. obtuse
472. likelihood	522. monophonic	572. occasional
473. limitless	523. monstrosity	573. occupier
474. linguistic	524. motivation	574. odious
475. lithesome	525. multimillionaire	575. odometer
476. lithograph	526. multiplicity	576. officeholder
477. locution	527. multistage	577. officious
478. logarithm	528. namely	578. off-limits
479. logician	529. nankeen	579. ogle
480. loophole	530. nasal cavity	580. oleomargarine
481. loudspeaker	531. nationalist	581. omnipresent
482. lousiest	532. navigable	582. omniscient
483. loyalties	533. nearsightedness	583. one-dimensional
484. lucre	534. negate	584. onomastics
485. luminescence	535. negligent	585. onomatopoeia
486. luncheonette	536. negotiable	586. operetta
487. luxuriant	537. nerveless	587. opportunity
488. macaroni	538. neutralization	588. optimism
489. mackerel	539. nevertheless	589. optometrist
490. magistrate	540. newscaster	590. oratorical
491. magnesia	541. niacin	591. orbital
492. magnetosphere	542. nightmarish	592. ordination
493. maladroitness	543. nitty-gritty	593. originality
494. malady	544. nobility	594. orison
495. malingering	545. nomenclature	595. orthography
496. maneuverable	546. nomogram	596. orthopedic
497. manipulation	547. nonchalance	597. oscillation
498. marina	548. noncommittal	598. ostracism
499. maritime	549. nonentity	599. outerwear
500. martial law	550. noninterference	600. outpouring

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601. outsider	651. predestine	701. reinterpret
602. overabundance	652. preposition	702. religious
603. overachiever	653. presidential	703. reluctance
604. overreact	654. pretentious	704. remembrance
605. overweening	655. proclivity	705. remittance
606. overwrought	656. prognosis	706. rendition
607. oxidation	657. proofread	707. repetitive
608. oxygen mask	658. propaganda	708. reprehensible
609. oyez	659. propulsive	709. reprimand
610. palisade	660. protoplasm	710. requirement
611. pamphlet	661. pseudonym	711. resignation
612. panorama	662. psychology	712. resistance
613. paradoxical	663. pugnacious	713. restrictive
614. paragon	664. purchasable	714. resuscitate
615. paraphernalia	665. puzzlement	715. reverberate
616. Parmesan	666. quadrangular	716. reverend
617. particular	667. quadratic	717. revolutionary,
618. passivity	668. quadruped	Revolutionary
619. pastoral	669. qualitative	718. rhetoric
620. patriot	670. quarterstaff	719. rheumatism
621. peaceable	671. Quaternary	720. righteous
622. penniless	672. quatrain	721. robust
623. perception	673. questionnaire	722. rogue
624. percolator	674. quick-tempered	723. rotisserie
625. percussionist	675. quinine	724. rotunda
626. periodic	676. quintuplet	725. rubric
627. permafrost	677. quizzically	726. rudimentary
628. permeable	678. quoit	727. run-on sentence
629. pernicious	679. quotation	728. Russian
630. persecute	680. radiation	729. sagebrush
631. perspective	681. radicalism	730. salvo
632. perspiration	682. radioactivity	731. sapling
633. pessimism	683. radiosonde	732. sarcastically
634. phenomenon	684. rapacious	733. scandalous
635. physique	685. rapidity	734. schematic
636. pigmentation	686. rapturous	735. schizophrenia
637. pixel	687. rascality	736. scholarship
638. plagiarist	688. readership	737. screenplay
639. plausible	689. reassurance	738. scrupulous
640. plurality	690. recapitulate	739. sedimentary
641. Polaris	691. recitation	740. selenium
642. pollution	692. recollection	741. sensitivity
643. pomegranate	693. reconstitute	742. sequence
644. popularity	694. recreation	743. servitude
645. possibility	695. recuperate	744. severe
646. posterity	696. redundant	745. shadowy
647. pragmatism	697. refinement	746. significance
648. precarious	698. regalia	747. Sirius
649. preceding	699. regurgitate	748. sleepwalk
650. predatory	700. reimburse	749. smorgasbord
		750. sophistication

## Grades 7-8 (cont'd)

751. sophomore	801. tonsillectomy	851. valedictorian
752. spasmodic	802. torpedoes	852. vanishing point
753. splutter	803. tortuous	853. varlet
754. spontaneity	804. townspeople	854. vegetarian
755. squelch	805. traditionally	855. ventriloquist
756. statistician	806. trampoline	856. veracity
757. steroid	807. transatlantic	857. verbiage
758. stimulate	808. transformative	858. vermicelli
759. strategic	809. transitory	859. vernacular
760. strenuous	810. transparency	860. versatility
761. subdue	811. travail	861. viability
762. subliminal	812. treacherous	862. victorious
763. substitute	813. trellis	863. videocassette
764. subtropical	814. tribunal	864. vigilante
765. succulent	815. triumphal	865. vignette
766. succumb	816. trivet	866. vinegary
767. sufferance	817. trousers	867. virtuoso
768. sufficient	818. truce	868. visualize
769. sugarcoat	819. trusteeship	869. vociferate
770. sumptuous	820. tsunami	870. voile
771. superimpose	821. tubercular	871. voracious
772. superlative	822. turmoil	872. vortex
773. superscript	823. turnstile	873. waif
774. supersede	824. tutorial	874. wallflower
775. supervise	825. tycoon	875. warden
776. supremacy	826. tyranny	876. watercolor
777. suspension	827. Ukrainian	877. wearisome
778. symmetrical	828. ulcerate	878. wellness
779. synonymous	829. ultimatum	879. wholesaler
780. tableau	830. unacceptable	880. wickerwork
781. tactical	831. unanimous	881. willpower
782. taskmaster	832. unassuming	882. windowsill
783. taxonomy	833. unavoidable	883. witticism
784. technicality	834. uncertainty	884. wolverine
785. telepathy	835. unchangeable	885. worrisome
786. teletypewriter	836. uncomfortable	886. worsted
787. tempered	837. underdeveloped	887. wretched
788. tenacious	838. undernourished	888. wristband
789. tenderhearted	839. undesirable	889. xerographic
790. terminology	840. unessential	890. xylophone
791. terrifying	841. unfetter	891. yachtsman
792. territory	842. unintentional	892. yammer
793. terseness	843. unsweetened	893. Yiddish
794. theology	844. unsymmetrical	894. yucca
795. theoretical	845. unwarrantable	895. yuletide, Yuletide
796. thesaurus	846. upstanding	896. zaniness
797. thighbone	847. upsurge	897. zeppelin
798. timpani, tympani	848. uranium	898. zillion
799. tomahawk	849. utilitarian	899. zing
800. tonality	850. vainglorious	900. zoologist



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