

Spelling List A

Each contestant is given a piece of paper and is assigned a seat. Contestants provide their own pencils or pens. The judge will pronounce each word twice and use it in a sentence. Contestants will then write the word. Each contestant will write all words. Following the final word, judges will collect all papers. Winners will be selected according to accuracy. Judges shall give at least two practice words before starting competition. In the event of a tie, the tiebreaker words given at the time of testing will be used. The spelling on this list is the official spelling for this test, as found on our website, and taken from the World Book Dictionary (dpib; edau & Company, Inc. 1978).

aardvark	akimbo	artillery	bludgeon	celery
abandon	alchemy	aspersion	bombardier	cemetery
abdicate	alkali	astrigent	boomerang	centipede
ability	allegory	atheistic	bouillon	ceramics
ablution	allergic	auger	boycott	cerulean
abolition	allusion	awkward	brazier	chagrined
abroad	already	badminton	brevity	chamfer
abscess	altogether	baize	brilliant	changeable
absentee	ambidextrous	balk	bronchial	charisma
absorbent	ameliorate	ballistic	buccaneer	chasm
abut	amiable	balsam	bulletin	chastise
academia	amphibrach	bane	bungalow	chauvinism
accept	amylaceous	banquet	buoyancy	chenille
accolade	ancestry	baptize	burrow	chifforobe
accompanist	anguish	barnacle	cacophony	chortle
accrual	anneal	barrister	caisson	chutney
accursed	annunciation	basicity	calisthenics	cinnabar
acknowledge	antagonize	bastion	calyx	clientele
acquiesce	antibiotic	batik	camphor	codger
across	antiseptic	bauxite	candidacy	coiffeur
acumen	apathetic	beatitudes	canorous	colleague
adapt	aphelion	bedizen	canyon	column
adherent	apocalypse	beginner	capon	commandment
adjudicate	apostrophe	behoove	carafe	commissure
administrator	apparent	beleaguer	carburetor	compatible
adolescence	appliqué	believe	caribou	complacency
advantageous	apprise	beneficiary	carnage	compliant
aegis	appurtenance	bequeath	carriage	concatenate
aerodynamics	arbor	beryl	cartilage	concentric
affable	archaically	beveled	cashew	conche
afloat	archives	bibliography	cassock	conclude
ageratum	argyle	bifilar	cataclysm	condemn
aggravate	arraign	binocular	caterwaul	confederation
agile	arrant	bivouac	caulk	congeal
agriculture	arthritis	blaspheme	cavil	conqueror

consecutive	despond	elegy	expert	gabelle
consignee	detergent	eliminate	exponent	gaffer
consuetude	detonate	elocution	exsuccous	galah
convalescence	devastate	elusive	extinct	gallant
conveyance	diabetes	emancipation	extraneous	gallop
cornea	dialect	embarrassment	extricate	gambrel
corroborate	diaphanous	embroidery	fabulous	gaping
cortisone	dictionary	eminently	facile	garnishee
cosmopolitan	dietetic	emperor	fallacious	gauge
countenance	dilapidate	emphysema	falsification	gelatin
courteous	dilettante	emulate	farcical	genetics
cozened	dinghy	encore	farrago	gerbil
crescive	diocese	endeavor	fascist	geyser
criticize	director	engineer	fatuous	ghostly
crotchety	dirndl	ensconced	favorite	glaciology
cruet	disarray	enthusiastic	febrile	glazier
ctenoid	disciple	entitled	fecundity	glorious
cucumber	discreet	entrance	feline	gnome
cuisine	dishevel	envelop	fennel	good
cumin	dispersal	envoy	ferret	gossamer
curlieue	dissertation	epidemic	fete	government
cursor	dissipate	epitaph	fiduciary	grammatical
cylinder	distinction	epoch	filament	grandiose
dahlia	diverge	equality	financier	grievance
dastardly	dividend	equipment	fiscal	grimace
dawdle	docile	equivocal	flaccid	grosgrain
debatable	doggerel	erase	flammable	grovel
debenture	domain	err	flippancy	gubernatorial
debtor	doodling	erudite	flotsam	guile
decendent	douse	esculent	flyable	gullible
decibel	dowry	espionage	follicle	gymnast
decoy	drivel	essay	forager	gyroscopic
deference	drupe	ethereal	forcible	hackney
defunct	duffel dulcet	etymon	forestall	halo
deign	dysbarism	eulogy	forfeiture	handicap
deliquescent	eavesdropping	euphoria	fortieth	haplology
demarcate	ecclesiastical	evangelical	fountain	harbinger
demitasse	echoes	evince	fraction	hatchet
demur	eclipse	exasperate	franchise	hawse
denture	ecstatic	excellent	fresnel	hearsay
depository	educator	exchequer	frigate	heifer
derelict	effaceable	exemplary	fugacious	heirloom
descendant	effete	exhort	fulvous	hepatitis
desiccation	effigy	exonerate	furniture	heretic
desperate	elapse	exotic	fuselage	heroine

heuristic	inferred	lactose	masculine	neurosis
hiding	initiative	lair	masterpiece	neutral
hieroglyphic	innocence	lament	mattress	nickel
hoard	inoculate	languor	mauve	ninety
hoeing	insentient	larghetto	mayhem	noisome
holograph	insouciance	laryngitis	mechanize	nominee
homestead	instinct	lascivious	medieval	nonpareil
honor	integer	lathe	mellifluous	notoriety
hosiery	intense	launch	memorabilia	nucleus
hovel	interfere	laxity	menu	nursery
hurrah	interminable	leapt	mercurial	nutritious
hyacinth	intolerance	lecturer	messenger	oasis
hydrolysis	intrinsic	legacy	metamorphosis	obituary
hygienic	invariably	legislator	methodology	obliged
hypocrisy	irascible	lemonade	microscope	obloquy
ichthyology	irrelevant	leprosy	mileage	obsequious
iconoclast	isagoge	lethargic	millionaire	obstacle
identify	isocryme	leukemia	miniature	obtuse
idiotic	itinerant	liaison	misanthropic	occidental
idyl or idyll	ivy	lien	miscible	occurrence
ignominy	jackal	lightning	miserere	octane
illiteracy	jamboree	limit	misspell	odoriferous
imagery	jaundice	liniment	modesty	ohm
immaculate	jealousy	listen	molasses	omega
immemorial	jester	livelihood	momentous	omitted
immigration	jittery	lobster	moneyed	oneiric
immovable	jocund	loge	monotonous	oolong
impeccable	jonquil	loquacious	moot	opalescent
impermeable	jubilee	louvered	mores	operetta
impetigo	judiciary	lucid	mortgage	oppose
implacable	junket	luff	mortise	oration
impostor	juxtaposition	luncheon	motley	ordinary
inaccuracy	kangaroo	macabre	mucilage	oriole
inane	kennel	mackerel	mushroom	oscillate
inauspicious	kernel	maelstrom	myopic	osseous
incendiary	kindergarten	magneto	mysterious	otter
incident	klystron	maintain	naïve	outrageous
incompetent	knell	malignant	nasal	overstepping
inconvenience	knocker	mammoth	natty	pachyderm
increment	knowledge	mannequin	nauseate	pageant
indehiscent	kudos	mantel	necessarily	palatial
indigent	label	maraud	nefarious	palliative
indispensable	laborer	margarine	negotiations	palpitation
indulgence	laceration	marital	neighborly	paltry
infamous	lackadaisical	marshaled	nephew	pandemonium

pantomime	prescience	remora	sessile	thigh
paradigm	primer	rendezvous	severance	tilde
parallel	privilege	repercussion	shalloon	tocsin
parapet	proceed	replica	shining	too
parentage	professor	requiem	sieve	toxemia
parishioner	proletariat	reservoir	sincerely	tranquil
parliament	propaganda	resistible	sleight	transferred
paschal	prophet	reticence	sobriquet	trapezist
patellar	prorogue	revengeful	solemn	treatise
pauper	prowess	rhapsodical	sophistication	trichinosis
peal	psilosis	rheumatism	soporific	triturate
pecuniary	psychology	rhubarb	sovereign	truly
pedestal	ptosis	ridiculous	specificity	turgescent
penetrate	punitive	rivulet	spinach	tyrannical
peninsula	pusillanimous	roose	sprinkle	ulterior
perceive	pylorus	rouge	stalactite	umbrage
peremptory	quadrennial	ruckus	stationery	unanimous
periphery	qualm	sabbatical	stearic	unctuous
permanence	quarantine	saccharin	stigma	unintelligible
perpetuity	queasy	sacrilege	strenuous	unprecedented
personal	quern	sagacious	strychnine	upholsterer
perturbation	queue	salve	stupefy	usurp
phalanx	quietus	sanctimonious	subsidize	utterance
phenomenal	quintuplet	sanguinary	substitution	vacillate
photosynthesis	quiz	satchel	succotash	valise
piceous	quotation	sauté	suint	vapor
piebald	raccoon	saxophone	superficial	vaunt
pilgrimage	raillery	scalene	supersede	veil
piquette	rambunctious	scatter	surveillance	vendue
placable	rancorous	schedule	suspicion	verdigris
platitude	raspberry	schipperke	syllipsis	vertebrate
plentiful	rawinsonde	schizoid	synchronize	vicissitudes
pneumonia	realize	scissors	syrup	vilify
poignant	reboant	scowl	tabloid	vinaigrette
politician	receive	scruple	tadpole	virtuous
pommel	recidivism	scull	taint	vituperative
porcine	recluse	secede	tantamount	volume
portfolio	reconnaissance	sector	tasteful	vowel
possession	redingote	sediment	tedious	waiver
prairie	referendum	seismograph	temporal	warranty
precious	regimen	semaphore	tenor	wastebasket
predicate	rehearsal	sentinel	tertian	weather
prefer	relegate	sequel	tetanus	wharf
premier	relief	serge	theocracy	whelk
preparation	reminiscence	serre-fine	therapy	whetstone

whippoorwill
wholesome
wiry
witticism
wok
wrasse
writhe
xanthic
xiphoid
xylophone
yarrow
yellow
yolk
yperite
zealot
zenith
zircon
zucchini