



SPELLING BEE WORD LIST

2026

Category 1

Grades 7 and 8



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| 1. abashed | 33. antiseptic | 65. blingy |
| 2. abolish | 34. antitrust | 66. blockade |
| 3. absurdity | 35. appealing | 67. blooper |
| 4. acceptance | 36. appraisal | 68. borders |
| 5. acclaim | 37. arithmetic | 69. boggle |
| 6. accolade | 38. armistice | 70. bonanza |
| 7. accomplice | 39. assertion | 71. botany |
| 8. acquit | 40. astonish | 72. brochure |
| 9. acrostic | 41. astronaut | 73. buffoonery |
| 10. addendum | 42. aswoon | 74. bumblebee |
| 11. addition | 43. atonement | 75. bungee |
| 12. adhesion | 44. atrophy | 76. burial |
| 13. adjacent | 45. attendee | 77. bystander |
| 14. adnate | 46. auction | 78. cadence |
| 15. advection | 47. auditorium | 79. candid |
| 16. affront | 48. autocracy | 80. capitalist |
| 17. aforesaid | 49. autonomy | 81. carnation |
| 18. agility | 50. avalanche | 82. carriage |
| 19. agitation | 51. aviation | 83. casserole |
| 20. airborne | 52. bailiff | 84. casualty |
| 21. airstrike | 53. baleful | 85. catchall |
| 22. alienate | 54. ballad | 86. caterpillar |
| 23. allegation | 55. banquet | 87. cathedral |
| 24. amiably | 56. baptismal | 88. ceasefire |
| 25. amnesty | 57. begirdle | 89. celestial |
| 26. amputate | 58. bewitched | 90. centipede |
| 27. amulet | 59. bigotry | 91. charitable |
| 28. amusement | 60. bilateral | 92. chastise |
| 29. annexation | 61. blackout | 93. chortle |
| 30. anniversary | 62. blandish | 94. chowder |
| 31. annotate | 63. blarney | 95. churlish |
| 32. anoint | 64. bleary | 96. citation |

97. clarinet	143. democracy	189. empire
98. classified	144. demonetize	190. endearing
99. clearance	145. deployment	191. endure
100. cleave	146. deployment	192. enervate
101. clickbait	147. deportation	193. engender
102. clinician	148. descent	194. engineer
103. closure	149. detail	195. entreat
104. clowder	150. detention	196. enviable
105. coalition	151. deterrence	197. eruption
106. coastal	152. dialect	198. escalate
107. collision	153. dialogue	199. escalation
108. combustible	154. diplomacy	200. escalator
109. commandeer	155. diplomatic	201. escapade
110. compass	156. disarmament	202. essential
111. compatriots	157. disaster	203. evacuation
112. complex	158. dispatch	204. evaluate
113. composite	159. disposition	205. eviction
114. concrete	160. distinctive	206. exaggerate
115. condiments	161. districts	207. excursion
116. conflict	162. diverge	208. existence
117. consensus	163. diversion	209. expansion
118. contested	164. diversity	210. expedition
119. contraction	165. divisive	211. extensive
120. contrite	166. doneness	212. extinct
121. controversy	167. downcast	213. extradition
122. contusion	168. dreadlocks	214. facade
123. conundrum	169. dribbles	215. factorial
124. convention	170. drivell	216. fadeaway
125. convoy	171. dualism	217. fallacy
126. corkscrew	172. duress	218. feeble
127. cornily	173. dynamite	219. fellowship
128. corridor	174. eagerly	220. felonious
129. corruption	175. earmark	221. fervently
130. cranium	176. earnestly	222. fidelity
131. criteria	177. earthquake	223. financier
132. criticized**	178. eclectic	224. fission
133. crocodile	179. eclipse	225. flabbergast
134. curator	180. editorial	226. flashback
135. curfew	181. eerily	227. flavor**
136. curtail	182. effortless	228. fleetness
137. cyclone	183. election	229. floridly
138. cymbals	184. eligibility	230. flounder
139. dawdle	185. elixir	231. flourish
140. debris	186. ellipse	232. fluctuation
141. definitely	187. elocution	233. flummery
142. deflation	188. elusive	234. foible

235. folklore	281. hobble	327. lobbyist
236. foozle	282. hostile	328. lupine
237. foppery	283. hostilities	329. lyricist
238. forensics	284. howler	330. maddening
239. forfeit	285. humdrum	331. madrigal
240. forgeable	286. hurled	332. magician
241. formalize**	287. hydrant	333. mahogany
242. frailty	288. illustrator	334. manacle
243. fraying	289. impeachment	335. manifests
244. freakishly	290. imposing	336. mantra
245. freight	291. incursion	337. manuscript
246. frontier	292. indictment	338. marathon
247. futility	293. inflation	339. maritime
248. gaffer	294. influential	340. marooned
249. gaggle	295. inglorious	341. martial
250. gallant	296. insight	342. Martian
251. galley	297. insomnia	343. maternity
252. garniture	298. insurgency	344. matrimony
253. gazette	299. intercept	345. mayhem
254. genocide	300. intricate	346. medallion
255. genteel	301. invasion	347. mediation
256. ghastly	302. invasive	348. mediator
257. gizzard	303. irrigation	349. melody
258. glacier	304. isolation	350. merchandise
259. gnarled	305. jammer	351. meteor
260. gradation	306. jersey	352. metrical
261. grandeur	307. jitterbug	353. migratory
262. grapple	308. joinery	354. minutia
263. gratifying	309. kennel	355. miraculous
264. gridlock	310. kernel	356. mischief
265. habitual	311. kindred	357. missile
266. haggle	312. knight	358. missive
267. hangar	313. languish	359. mockery
268. haphazard	314. lateral	360. modality
269. hapless	315. league	361. monastery
270. harrowing	316. leaven	362. mongoose
271. hatchet	317. legitimacy	363. montage
272. haunted	318. leisure	364. morose
273. hazardous	319. leotard	365. muddle
274. headlong	320. lexicon	366. mummified
275. heavenly	321. ligament	367. munchkin
276. hecklers	322. likelier	368. musings
277. heightened	323. limelight	369. mythical
278. heiress	324. linguistics	370. naysayers
279. heraldic	325. literally	371. necessity
280. hermitage	326. liturgy	372. negotiation

373. nervily	419. pliant	465. renewable
374. nirvana	420. plummet	466. renovating
375. nocturnal	421. poised	467. reprisal
376. nominee	422. polarized	468. resemble
377. notable	423. policy	469. residue
378. notorious	424. pommel	470. resilience
379. novelties	425. portrayal	471. resolution
380. nozzles	426. praise	472. respite
381. oblong	427. preacher	473. restive
382. obscure	428. preclude	474. retaliation
383. occupation	429. primitive	475. retriever
384. octopus	430. primrose	476. revelation
385. omission	431. procedure	477. revulsive
386. optician	432. profiteer	478. riddance
387. opulent	433. propulsion	479. righteous
388. oracle	434. prosperous	480. rigorous**
389. orchestra	435. puckish	481. riviera
390. organelle	436. pulpit	482. rumor**
391. ouster	437. pummel	483. sacrifice
392. outbreak	438. punctuation	484. salivate
393. oversight	439. punily	485. sallow
394. overtures	440. puniness	486. sanctioned
395. pageantry	441. puritan	487. satchel
396. paginate	442. pyramid	488. scammed
397. paisley	443. quantify	489. scandal
398. palatial	444. quarantine	490. scanty
399. pandemic	445. quirky	491. scenario
400. panelist**	446. ragwort	492. scooter
401. parkour	447. rambling	493. scornfully
402. parley	448. rationing	494. scripture
403. parlor**	449. ravenous	495. scrooge
404. partridge	450. rebound	496. scrounge
405. pastime	451. rebuff	497. scrutiny
406. patches	452. recanted	498. sculpture
407. pathogen	453. recession	499. seclusion
408. pauper	454. reckless	500. security
409. pedigree	455. reckoning	501. sensory
410. penguin	456. recovery	502. sequel
411. peninsular	457. redemption	503. serenade
412. peruse	458. referendum	504. servitude
413. pervasive	459. refinery	505. sewage
414. physical	460. reflect	506. shaggy
415. pipeline	461. regiment	507. shamrock
416. pitiful	462. registrar	508. sheaves
417. placate	463. reiterate	509. shindig
418. platinum	464. remnants	510. shortage

511. shrapnel	557. substance	603. waggery
512. shutdown	558. substitute	604. waiver
513. simmer	559. suffix	605. wamble
514. situation	560. sustain	606. wattage
515. skimmed	561. swannery	607. wealthy
516. skirmish	562. sweltering	608. weaponry
517. slender	563. sympathy	609. weighty
518. slurry	564. tariff	610. welding
519. smuggling	565. tendency	611. western
520. snitch	566. tensions	612. wheedle
521. snobbery	567. terminator	613. whimsical
522. sodden	568. thespian	614. wildfire
523. solidity	569. throughout	615. wimple
524. solitude	570. tickled	616. withdrawal
525. solstice	571. toilsome	617. yammer
526. solvency	572. traverse	618. yearling
527. sorbet	573. travesty	619. yonder
528. sovereignty	574. treasury	
529. spangled	575. treatise	
530. spatula	576. trendy	
531. spectral	577. trifle	
532. spiteful	578. trinkets	
533. splurge	579. trounce	
534. sprite	580. truffle	
535. squabble	581. truncate	
536. squeamish	582. trustee	
537. squelch	583. unabridged	
538. squirm	584. unfazed	
539. stability	585. unfurl	
540. stamina	586. unheeded	
541. stampede	587. university	
542. stance	588. urgency	
543. standee	589. various	
544. standoff	590. varnish	
545. steampunk	591. varsity	
546. stencil	592. vascular	
547. sterling	593. veered	
548. sternum	594. vendetta	
549. stewardship	595. vendors	
550. stodgy	596. versatile	
551. stomach	597. vindictive	
552. stowaway	598. vineyard	
553. strenuous	599. violate	
554. stubble	600. visibility	
555. stupefy	601. volatile	
556. subdued	602. votive	

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