



SPELLING BEE WORD LIST

2026

Category 2

Grades 9 and 10



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| 1. aberration | 33. antithesis | 65. capnometer |
| 2. abnegation | 34. apostrophe | 66. capricious |
| 3. abominable | 35. apothecary | 67. captivated |
| 4. aboriginal | 36. apotheosis | 68. caricature |
| 5. absolution | 37. apotropaic | 69. carnassial |
| 6. abstemious | 38. apparently | 70. castellated |
| 7. accentuate | 39. applicable | 71. catadromous |
| 8. acceptance | 40. approbatory | 72. caterpillar |
| 9. accomplice | 41. arithmetic | 73. celebratory |
| 10. accountability | 42. assumption | 74. cellophane |
| 11. achromatic | 43. astigmatism | 75. centennial |
| 12. acquisition | 44. astounding | 76. cerebellum |
| 13. acupuncture | 45. astringent | 77. chancellor |
| 14. addendum | 46. astrobleme | 78. chaperonage |
| 15. adjudicate | 47. astronaut | 79. charcuterie |
| 16. admonition | 48. atrabilious | 80. charismatic |
| 17. adolescence | 49. attributive | 81. charitable |
| 18. advocacy | 50. auditorium | 82. cholesterol |
| 19. agoraphobia | 51. backgammon | 83. chrysolite |
| 20. allegation | 52. ballyhooed | 84. circuitous |
| 21. allergenic | 53. bereavement | 85. circumflex |
| 22. alpestrine | 54. bilaterian | 86. cladistics |
| 23. altercation | 55. biomimicry | 87. clandestine |
| 24. anachronism | 56. boisterous | 88. classified |
| 25. anacreontic | 57. boondoggle | 89. clavichord |
| 26. anastomosis | 58. buffoonery | 90. coalescence |
| 27. anatomical | 59. burglarious | 91. codswallop |
| 28. anglophile | 60. buzzworthy | 92. cogitation |
| 29. annexation | 61. cacophonous | 93. collectanea |
| 30. anniversary | 62. campanology | 94. columbarium |
| 31. antiquarian | 63. candelabrum | 95. combustible |
| 32. antiseptic | 64. capitalist | 96. commandeer |

97. commercial	143. deleterious	189. engagement
98. comminatory	144. deliquesce	190. epenthesis
99. commodious	145. demonetize	191. equivalent
100. comparison	146. demonstration	192. equivocate
101. compatriots	147. denigration	193. erubescence
102. compelling	148. denominator	194. eructation
103. compendium	149. deployment	195. escalation
104. concordance	150. deployment	196. escarpment
105. condiments	151. deportation	197. eucalyptus
106. conference	152. depreciate	198. euphonious
107. coniferous	153. depredation	199. evacuation
108. consecrate	154. deprivation	200. evanescent
109. consecutive	155. derivative	201. exaggerate
110. consequent	156. deterrence	202. exceedingly
111. constituent	157. detestable	203. existential
112. constitution	158. diabolical	204. exorbitant
113. constraints	159. digression	205. expectorant
114. contiguous	160. dilapidated	206. expediency
115. continuous	161. dillydally	207. expedition
116. contraband	162. dimorphism	208. exposition
117. contraction	163. diplomatic	209. expostulate
118. contrivance	164. disarmament	210. expugnable
119. controversy	165. discernment	211. extenuating
120. convention	166. discreetly	212. extinguish
121. convocation	167. disembody	213. extradition
122. copperhead	168. disinformation	214. extravasate
123. cordillera	169. displacement	215. factitious
124. corroborate	170. disposition	216. Fahrenheit
125. corruption	171. dissolution	217. farthingale
126. crepuscular	172. dissonance	218. fellowship
127. Cretaceous	173. distinctive	219. fenestrated
128. Criticized**	174. distinguish	220. fervently
129. cruciferous	175. distraught	221. fiendishly
130. cumbersome	176. domesticity	222. flabbergast
131. cummerbund	177. domineering	223. flexitarian
132. cyberattack	178. duplicitous	224. floribunda
133. cybernetics	179. dysgraphia	225. fluctuation
134. damascened	180. earthquake	226. fomentation
135. debilitate	181. ebullience	227. fraudulent
136. decimation	182. effortless	228. freakishly
137. declamatory	183. effraction	229. fritillary
138. declension	184. elaborative	230. funambulist
139. declination	185. elasticity	231. fundamental
140. de-escalation	186. elicitation	232. gallbladder
141. definitely	187. eligibility	233. gardenesque
142. delectable	188. emblazoned	234. gastronome

235. gelatinous	281. ineptitude	327. millionaire
236. geocaching	282. infiltrate	328. millisecond
237. geopolitics	283. influential	329. milquetoast
238. gingivitis	284. inglorious	330. miraculous
239. gluttonous	285. ingratiate	331. mitigative
240. gnotobiotic	286. injunction	332. mobilization
241. gratifying	287. insufflator	333. monochrome
242. gravimetry	288. insurgency	334. monoclonal
243. gressorial	289. insurgents	335. monopolize**
244. guillotine	290. intersperse	336. moratorium
245. gullibility	291. intertidal	337. multilateral
246. habiliments	292. investigation	338. musketeers
247. hallucinate	293. inveterate	339. myocarditis
248. haplography	294. inviolable	340. mythopoeic
249. heightened	295. iridescent	341. narcoleptic
250. hermitage	296. irrevocable	342. naysayers
251. heterophony	297. irrigation	343. negotiation
252. hipsterism	298. jackanapes	344. neonatology
253. histrionics	299. jocularly	345. netiquette
254. homeostasis	300. kinesiology	346. neuropathy
255. homesteader	301. lacustrine	347. neuroticism
256. homiletics	302. languorous	348. nomophobia
257. horseradish	303. legitimacy	349. nonchalance
258. hostilities	304. linguistics	350. non-volatile
259. humanitarian	305. lithophone	351. numerology
260. humidistat	306. logographic	352. obliterate
261. hydrophobia	307. machination	353. obsecration
262. hypotenuse	308. mahogany	354. occultation
263. illustrator	309. maidenhair	355. occupation
264. illustrious	310. maladaptive	356. octonocular
265. immortality	311. malapropism	357. octuplicate
266. impeachment	312. malevolent	358. omniscient
267. impecunious	313. malfeasance	359. opprobrious
268. impediment	314. malnutrition	360. orthogonal
269. implacable	315. manuscript	361. oscitation
270. implicative	316. meaningful	362. osculatory
271. impoverish	317. mediocrity	363. ostensibly
272. imprecatory	318. melismatic	364. overweening
273. impresario	319. memorandum	365. palatial
274. incinerate	320. mendacious	366. panopticon
275. incisiform	321. meningitis	367. parameters
276. incompetent	322. merchandise	368. paraplegic
277. indictment	323. metaplasia	369. parazonium
278. individual	324. metastasize	370. partiality
279. inducement	325. metatarsal	371. particulate
280. ineluctable	326. millennial	372. parturient

373. pasteurize**	419. proliferate	465. reverberant
374. patronymic	420. promontory	466. revulsive
375. peacekeeping	421. proprietary	467. rollicking
376. pendentive	422. propulsion	468. rustication
377. peninsular	423. prosperous	469. sabbatical
378. penultimate	424. protuberant	470. sacrosanct
379. perceptible	425. provenance	471. sanctioned
380. performance	426. provincial	472. scarlatina
381. peripheral	427. pugnacious	473. scholarship
382. periwinkle	428. pulchritude	474. scornfully
383. permutation	429. punctuation	475. septennial
384. pernicious	430. quadriceps	476. sepulchral
385. perpetrator	431. quadrillion	477. servitude
386. perquisite	432. quarantine	478. shenanigans
387. persuasible	433. quarrelsome	479. smithereens
388. pertinacity	434. ransomware	480. sobersides
389. pervasive	435. rapscallion	481. solvency
390. pestilence	436. ratification	482. somatotype
391. phlebotomy	437. ravenous	483. somniloquy
392. phonetician	438. rebarbative	484. soothsayer
393. photogenic	439. reciprocity	485. sophomoric
394. phraseology	440. reconciliation	486. sovereignty
395. physicists	441. reconsider	487. speciation
396. plagiarism	442. reconstruction	488. specificity
397. planisphere	443. redemption	489. spontaneity
398. plantigrade	444. referendum	490. spreadsheet
399. pococurante	445. refrigerant	491. stagestruck
400. polypeptide	446. regurgitate	492. stagflation
401. pomegranate	447. rejuvenate	493. stagnation
402. Pomeranian	448. reminiscent	494. statuesque
403. possessive	449. remorseful	495. stentorian
404. posthumous	450. renegotiate	496. stewardship
405. predicament	451. renovating	497. stratocracy
406. prehensile	452. renunciant	498. subliminal
407. premonition	453. reparations	499. subluxated
408. prerogative	454. repatriation	500. submersible
409. presentient	455. repository	501. subsequent
410. prevalence	456. requisition	502. subsistence
411. prevenient	457. resilience	503. substitute
412. prima donna	458. resolution	504. subterfuge
413. procrustean	459. resurrected	505. subversive
414. procurement	460. resuscitate	506. successive
415. prodigious	461. retaliation	507. supercargo
416. profligacy	462. retinoscopy	508. supplicate
417. profundity	463. retrograde	509. surrealist
418. proletarian	464. revelation	510. surveillance

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| 511. sweepstakes | 554. ventriloquy |
| 512. sweltering | 555. vespertine |
| 513. symmetrical | 556. victimology |
| 514. sympathy | 557. vindictive |
| 515. tabernacle | 558. visibility |
| 516. tambourine | 559. volumetric |
| 517. tearjerker | 560. vulnerability |
| 518. telepathic | 561. wainwright |
| 519. telmatology | 562. weaponry |
| 520. tempestuous | 563. windbagery |
| 521. tenaciously | 564. withdrawal |
| 522. terminator | |
| 523. terra-cotta | |
| 524. theologian | |
| 525. thrasonical | |
| 526. throughout | |
| 527. thwartwise | |
| 528. toastmaster | |
| 529. tomography | |
| 530. topgallant | |
| 531. tramontana | |
| 532. transducer | |
| 533. transience | |
| 534. trepanation | |
| 535. trepidation | |
| 536. triceratops | |
| 537. trigeminal | |
| 538. trituration | |
| 539. turpentine | |
| 540. typhology | |
| 541. unabridged | |
| 542. unbeknownst | |
| 543. unilocular | |
| 544. university | |
| 545. unremitting | |
| 546. unsurpassed | |
| 547. utilitarian | |
| 548. vaccination | |
| 549. variegated | |
| 550. vaudeville | |
| 551. vegetarian | |
| 552. vellication | |
| 553. vendetta | |

Words with ** can be spelled in either American or British English