



Dear Elementary Parents,

Our foremost spelling goal is to stimulate interest in correct spelling in writing. We recognize that the Spelling Bee is competitive and that oral spelling is a different skill. Therefore, the actual Spelling Bee is an optional activity for first and second graders. The list of words comes from the Seattle Times.

At each round, competitors will be asked words from one level. The more words they can study from the lists, the better their chances are in the higher rounds.

We will be having mock spelling bees in class and all students will be required to spell orally in addition to our weekly spelling program, so practicing at home is a good activity for everyone!

The mock spelling bees will take out the element of competition as students have fun with a new skill. Students are to study the words for their grade level and any other level they feel comfortable studying.

We believe that mock spelling bees excite the children's interest in words and, as a result, their writing really does improve. Everyone participates in the *mock* spelling bee exercises.

### Grades One Through Eight Spelling Lists

#### Grade One

a  
all  
am  
and  
are  
at  
ball  
be  
big  
book  
boy  
can  
come  
dear  
did  
do  
for  
go  
had  
has  
hat  
have  
he  
her  
his  
I  
in  
is  
it  
like  
look  
me  
my

no  
not  
of  
on  
put  
run  
see  
she  
so  
the  
to  
up  
us  
was  
we  
yes  
you

#### Grade Two

about  
after  
an  
as  
back  
but  
by  
came  
down  
eat  
from  
get  
going  
good  
got  
here  
him  
home  
house

how  
if  
know  
little  
make  
now  
our  
out  
over  
play  
said  
saw  
school  
some  
that  
them  
then  
there  
they  
thing  
this  
time  
very  
went  
were  
what  
when  
which  
will  
with  
your

basket  
because  
been  
before  
both  
brother  
buy  
card  
cents  
coming  
could  
does  
done  
don't  
egg  
ever  
every  
fall  
far  
few  
fine  
flower  
garden  
gone  
ground  
grow  
half  
hand  
hard  
head  
high  
hope  
horse

ice cream  
I'm  
inside  
jump  
just  
kind  
knew  
land  
lay

less  
light  
love  
many  
meat  
meet  
mine  
Miss  
more  
most  
Mr.  
Mrs.  
much  
must  
never  
nothing  
often  
once  
outside  
paper  
please  
pony  
seen  
set  
shall  
small  
soap  
something  
soon  
spring  
summer  
sure  
their  
these  
think  
thought  
tonight  
too  
town  
tries  
under  
until

upon  
well  
while  
why  
wish  
would  
write  
yet

**Grade Four**

too  
a lot  
because  
there  
their  
favorite  
that's  
our  
when  
sometimes  
really  
they're  
were  
it's  
know  
finally  
again  
they  
Christmas  
went  
until  
outside  
said  
we're  
different  
where  
punch  
shouting  
crouch  
shoulder  
clenched

marching  
sure  
chanted  
shellfish  
chin  
wretched  
sheriff  
mention  
addition  
shrill  
change  
shrink  
cello  
stretched  
flesh  
then  
little  
why  
who  
were  
find  
more  
just  
would  
these  
been  
only  
called  
reach  
right  
didn't  
does  
while  
you're  
Wednesday

**Grade 5**  
against  
already  
answer  
anybody

**Grade Three**

afternoon  
again  
alone  
along  
always  
another  
any  
anything

aren't	lose	unless	haul	secret
beauty	losing	vacation	heavier	several
beginning	merry	valley	hero	sign
believe	mountain	village	honest	since
birth	needle	wear	jewels	special
break	nobody	weigh	journey	square
captain	onions	whistle	knee	station
chose	paid	woman	knight	stretch
close	pair	women	knot	sudden
clothes	parade		length	suppose
cousin	parties		machine	taught
dies	pitcher	<b>Grade 6</b>	material	telephone
dirt	plane	ache	mention	theater
dozen	pleasant	also	missed	thirsty
earth	poem	among	mixed	towel
else	quarter	awful	motor	trouble
empty	quiet	breath	naughty	tying
enjoy	raise	breathe	neighbor	ugly
even	real	burned	ninety	united
except	remember	certain	ninth	vegetable
family	rich	chief	noisy	width
farther	rule	choose	obey	wrinkle
figure	says	chosen	opposite	wreck
finished	seemed	comb	ought	wrist
forty	sew	cough	owe	zone
gentle	shore	course	palace	
grown	shoulder	curtain	parents	
guess	slow	decorate	past	<b>Grade 7</b>
heart	somebody	doctor	pattern	absence
heavy	study	double	person	accept
hoping	sugar	dying	piece	account
hurried	surely	either	police	advise
instead	surprise	engineer	promise	allowed
iron	themselves	envelope	prove	all right
ironing	they're	excuse	puzzle	anxious
juice	thousand	fancy	quarrel	appreciate
keys	thread	fault	really	argument
knit	through	flour	receive	athletics
knock	tongue	foreign	review	attempt
known	travel	freight	rough	attention
laid	truck	furniture	satisfy	avoid
listen	truly	garage	scratch	benefit

beyond  
brief  
business  
calendar  
central  
chapter  
choice  
circle  
column  
condition  
continue  
courage  
deceive  
decision  
develop  
difference  
different  
direction  
disappoint  
disapprove  
distance  
easily  
eastern  
edge  
education  
electric  
entire  
escape  
especially  
excellent  
exercise  
famous  
favorite  
generally  
genius  
grammar  
height  
honor  
hospital  
immediate  
inquire  
instrument

language  
liberty  
locate  
loose  
manufacture  
meant  
measure  
model  
national  
necessary  
occur  
operation  
perhaps  
planned  
pleasure  
position  
process  
regular  
reserve  
science  
scissors  
seize  
separate  
serious  
silence  
sincerely  
splendid  
stationary  
stationery  
stomach  
straight  
strength  
studying  
system  
television  
together  
unified  
usually  
valuable  
victorious  
volume  
weightless

**Grade 8**  
accurate  
acknowledge  
adjourn  
agreeable  
allegiance  
altitude  
anxiety  
apologize  
artificial  
attorney  
automatic  
bureau  
buried  
candidate  
ceremony  
certainly  
circulation  
civilization  
complain  
completely  
compromise  
conference  
congratulate  
convenience  
corporation  
council  
counter  
curiosity  
declaration  
dessert  
destruction  
detective  
diameter  
dining  
disappear  
discourage  
electricity  
employer  
endeavor  
equipment  
eventually

execute  
existence  
experiment  
governor  
handsome  
harmony  
hesitate  
imagine  
indifferent  
institution  
interested  
interesting  
internal  
knowledge  
legislative  
marriage  
marvelous  
mortgage  
naturally  
negative  
nuisance  
objection  
ordinary  
parliament  
petition  
plainly  
politics  
postscript  
preliminary  
prominent  
propose  
publication  
realize  
received  
relieve  
representative  
republic  
revolution  
route  
sanitary  
senator  
subscription

succulent  
symbolize  
technical  
temperature  
tenacity  
utensil  
vicinity  
youth

**Super  
Challenge  
Words from  
9th Grade**

administration  
beneficial  
communication  
democratic  
dimension  
ignorant  
immediately  
innocence  
measurement  
medieval  
perspiration  
refrigerator  
reproduce  
substance  
thorough  
tolerance  
unrelenting  
unanimous  
mischievous  
synchronize  
soliloquy