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SPELLING BEE WORDS BANK "2012-2013"

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Spelling Bee List

Week-1 7-10-1211-10-12		
Words	Meanings	
Α		
<u>Abscess</u>	is a localized collection of pus in tissues of the body.	
<u>Accessible</u>	means easy to approach	
<u>Accommodate</u>	is to do a kindness or a favor to; oblige.	
<u>Accordion</u>	is a musical instrument.	
<u>Annulment</u>	is the declaration that annuls a marriage.	
<u>Appellate</u>	is of or pertaining to appeals.	
<u>Assassin</u>	is a murderer, especially in politics.	
<u>Atrium</u>	is the central room of an ancient Roman house.	
<u>Automaton</u>	is another word for a robot.	
Week-2 14-10-1218-10-12		
Words	Meanings	
В		
<u>Baboon</u>	is a large monkey found in Africa or Arabia.	
<u>Balloon</u>	is an inflated bag.	
<u>Barbiturate</u>	is used to medicine as a sedative.	
<u>Barrette</u>	is a clasp used to hold a girl's hair in place.	
<u>Bassoon</u>	is a large woodwind instrument.	
<u>Bazaar</u>	is a marketplace, especially in the Middle East.	
<u>Beige</u>	is a very light brown.	
<u>Benign</u>	is having a kindly disposition.	
<u>Bizarre</u>	is markedly unusual.	
<u>Bobbin</u>	is a reel upon which yarn or thread is wound.	
<u>Bonsai</u>	is a tree that has been dwarfed, as by pruning.	
<u>Bough</u>	is a branch of a tree.	
<u>Bouillon</u>	is a clear usually seasoned broth.	
<u>Bouquet</u>	is a bunch of flowers.	
<u>Bursar</u>	is a treasurer or business officer.	
<u>Butte</u>	is an isolated hill or mountain rising abruptly.	

Week-3 21-10-1225-10-12	
Words	Meanings
C	
<u>Cache</u>	is a hiding place.
<u>Calendar</u>	is a table of days and weeks in a year.
<u>Camaraderie</u>	is good fellowship.
Campaign	is a military operation for a specific objective.
Canvass	is to solicit votes.
<u>Carafe</u>	is a wide-mouthed bottle used to serve beverages.
Caribou	is a large, North American deer.
Cataclysm	is any violent upheaval.
<u>Caterpillar</u>	is the larva of a butterfly or moth.
Cellist	is a person who plays a cello.
Cemetery	is a place set apart for graves or tombs.
Censor	is an official who examines material to suppress all or part of it.
Census	is an official enumeration of the population.
Chameleon	is a lizard that can, as protection, change color.
<u>Charisma</u>	is a personal quality that gives one power over a group of people.
<u>Chauffeur</u>	is a person employed to drive an automobile.
<u>Cliché</u>	is a trite, stereotyped expression.
<u>Codeine</u>	is used as a sedative or analgesic.
<u>Colloquy</u>	is a conversational exchange, dialogue.
Colonel	is an officer in the Army or Air Force.
Conceit	is an excessively favorable opinion of oneself.
<u>Concessionaire</u>	is someone to whom a concession has been granted.
Conscious	is being aware of one's own existence.
Consensus	is a majority of opinion.
<u>Consommé</u>	is a clear soup.
Cough	is to expel air through the lungs harshly, often violently.
<u>Counsel</u>	is advice.
<u>Coyote</u>	is a smaller, wolf-like animal.
Crescent	resembles a segment of a ring tapering to points at the ends.
Crochet	is needlework with a needle having a hook at one end.
Croquet	is a game played by knocking balls through metal wickets with a
	mallet.
Crouton	is a small piece of fried or toasted bread.
<u>Crypt</u>	is a subterranean chamber or vault.
Cuckoo	is a common European bird.
<u>Cursor</u>	is a movable symbol on a computer.
<u>Cymbal</u>	is a concave plate that produces a sharp, ringing sound when
	struck, played in pairs.

Week-4 28-10-12 1-11-12		
Words	Meanings	
D		
<u>Debris</u>	is the remains of things broken down or destroyed.	
<u>Deceive</u>	is to mislead by a false appearance or statement.	
<u>Deductible</u>	means capable of being deducted.	
<u>Defendant</u>	is a person against whom a charge is brought against in court.	
<u>Descended</u>	is the part of the letter that goes below the body.	
<u>Detached</u>	means not attached or separated	
<u>Deuce</u>	is a card having two spots.	
<u>Dialogue</u>	is conversation with two or more people.	
<u>Dictionary</u>	is a book containing a selection of words or a language.	
<u>Diocese</u>	is a district under the jurisdiction of a bishop.	
<u>Diphtheria</u>	is an infectious disease.	
<u>Disappear</u>	is to cease to be seen.	
<u>Discernible</u>	means capable of being distinguished.	
<u>Distraught</u>	means deeply agitated.	
<u>Doubt</u>	is to be uncertain about.	
<u>Dough</u>	is flour or meal combined with water.	
<u>Drought</u>	is a period of dry weather.	

	Week-5 4-11-128-11-12
Words	Meanings
E	
<u>Ecstasy</u>	is rapturous delight.
<u>Eerie</u>	is uncanny, weird.
<u>Elite</u>	is the choice or the best of anything.
<u>Embarrass</u>	is to cause confusion and shame to.
<u>Ensign</u>	is a flag or banner.
<u>Entourage</u>	is a group of attendants or associates.
<u>Entrepreneur</u>	is a person who organizes or manages an enterprise.
<u>Enzyme</u>	is one of various proteins.
<u>Etiquette</u>	is conventional requirements to social behavior.
<u>Eulogy</u>	is a speech in praise of a dead person.
<u>Exacerbate</u>	is to make something worse.
Exchequer	is a treasury.

Week-6 11-11-1222-11-12		
Words	Meanings	
<u>Facade</u>	is the front of a building.	
<u>Farce</u>	is a light, humorous play.	
<u>Fatigue</u>	is weariness from exertion.	
<u>Faucet</u>	is a device to control the flow of liquid.	
<u>Feasible</u>	is capable of being done.	
<u>Feign</u>	is to represent fictitiously.	
<u>Feint</u>	is a movement made to deceive an opponent.	
<u>Fiery</u>	is containing fire or impetuous.	
<u>Fight</u>	is a battle or combat.	
<u>Finesse</u>	is extreme delicacy or skill in performance.	
<u>Finicky</u>	means difficult to please.	
<u>Flaunt</u>	means to display oneself conspicuously.	
Fledgling	is a young bird or an inexperienced person.	
<u>Floe</u>	is a sheet of floating ice.	
<u>Flour</u>	is the finely ground meal of grain.	
<u>Flourish</u>	means to thrive.	
<u>Flower</u>	is the blossom of a plant.	
<u>Flue</u>	is a passage for smoke in a chimney.	
<u>Foray</u>	is a quick raid.	
<u>Forbear</u>	is to refrain or abstain from.	
<u>Frappe</u>	is a milkshake made with ice cream.	
Freight	is goods or cargo transported for pay.	
<u>Fugue</u>	is a composition in music.	
<u>Furlough</u>	is a leave of absence granted to an enlisted person.	

- 1. Beleaguer is to surround with troubles.
- 2. **Occurrence** is the action, fact or instance of happening.
- 3. **Ocelot** is a spotted, leopard-like cat, ranging from Texas to South America.
- 4. **Belligerence** is a hostile attitude.
- 5. **Extemporaneous** is done without special preparation.
- 6. Facsimile is an exact copy.
- 7. **Luscious** is highly pleasing to the taste or smell.
- 8. Quiche is a dish with cheeses and other vegetables.
- 9. **Quintessence** is the pure and concentrated essence of a substance.
- 10. **Rabble** is a disorderly crowd; mob.
- 11. Vague is not clearly expressed or identified.
- 12. Vaudeville is a theatrical entertainment.
- 13. **Raffle** is a form of a lottery.
- 14. Lyre is a musical instrument of ancient Greece, harp-like.
- 15. **Temblor** is a tremor; earthquake.
- 16. **Tempt** means to entice or allure to do something often considered wrong.
- 17. **Lymphatic** is pertaining to, containing or conveying lymph.
- 18. Fallacious means logically unsound.
- 19. **Tenor** is the meaning that runs through something written or spoken.
- 20. **Tense** is stretched tight; high-strung or nervous.

- 1. **Ogre** is a monster in fairy tales.
- 2. Vehemence meaning ardor or fervor.
- 3. **Veneer** is a thin layer of wood.
- 4. Onyx is black.
- 5. **Psychology** is the science of the mind or of mental states and processes.
- 6. **Purge** is to cleanse or to purify.
- 7. **Quaff** is to drink a beverage.
- 8. **Quandary** is a state of uncertainty.
- 9. **Beret** is a soft, visorless cap.
- 10. **Bivouac** is a military encampment.
- 11. Fauna are the animals of a region considered as a whole.
- 12. **Marquee** is a projection above a theater entrance, usually containing the name of the feature at the theater.
- 13. Terrain is a tract of land.
- 14. **Terse** is neatly or effectively concise; brief and pithy.
- 15. **Tetanus** is a disease, commonly called lockjaw.
- 16. **Thatch** is a material used to cover roofs.
- 17. Masquerade is a party of people wearing masks and other disguises.
- 18. **Flocculent** is like a clump of wool.

- 19. **Rhubarb** is a plant of the buckwheat family.
- 20. **Scarab** is a beetle regarded as sacred by the ancient Egyptians.

- 1. **Blithe** is joyous, glad or cheerful.
- 2. **Magnify** is to increase the apparent size of, as does a lens.
- 3. **Nickelodeon** is an early motion-picture theater.
- 4. **Vengeance** means violent revenge or getting back.
- 5. **Vermicelli** is a form of pasta.
- 6. **Nuisance** is an obnoxious or annoying person.
- 7. **Thermometer** is a device for measuring temperature.
- 8. **Thesaurus** is a dictionary of synonyms and antonyms.
- 9. **Thesis** is a proposition put forth to be considered.
- 10. Thigh is between the hip and the knee.
- 11. **Nuptial** is of or pertaining to marriage or the ceremony.
- 12. **Nylons** are stockings worn by women.
- 13. **Obnoxious** is highly objectionable or offensive.
- 14. **Oscillate** is to swing or move to and fro, as a pendulum.
- 15. Malfeasance is wrongdoing by a public official.
- 16. **Boatswain** is a warrant officer on a warship.
- 17. **Right** is in accordance with what is good or just.
- 18. **Rigor** is strictness, severity or hardness.
- 19. **Sauna** is a bath that uses dry heat to induce perspiration.
- 20. **Scandalous** is disgraceful or shocking behavior.

- 1. **Bourgeois** is to be a member of the middle class.
- 2. **Obsolescent** means passing out of use, as a word.
- 3. **Orphan** is a child who has lost both parents through death.
- 4. **Maneuver** is a planned movement of troops or warships, etc.
- 5. **Mantle** is a loose, sleeveless cloak or cape.
- 6. **Hydrolysis** is chemical decomposition by reacting with water.
- 7. **Hypothesis** is a proposition set forth to explain some occurrence.
- 8. **Boutique** is a small shop within a larger store.
- 9. **Eclair** is a finger-shaped creampuff.
- 10. **Sleigh** is a vehicle on runners, especially used over snow or ice.
- 11. Sleight is skill or dexterity.
- 12. **Thimble** is a small cap, worn over the fingertip to protect it when pushing a needle

through a cloth in sewing.

- 13. **Third** is next after the second.
- 14. Thistle is a prickly plant.
- 15. Sleuth is a detective.
- 16. Slough (sloo) is an area of soft, muddy ground.
- 17. Sojourn is a temporary stay.
- 18. **Rotor** is a rotating part of a machine.
- 19. Rouge is any of various red cosmetics for cheek and lips.
- 20. Sauerkraut is cabbage allowed to ferment until sour.

List 5

- 1. **Boutonniere** is a flower worn by a man in his lapel.
- 2. **Infallible** is absolutely trustworthy or sure.
- 3. **Inferior** is lower in station, rank or degree.
- 4. Boysenberry is a blackberry-like fruit.
- 5. **Humoresque** is a musical composition of humorous character.
- 6. **Vogue** means something in fashion.
- 7. **Vying** is competing or contending.
- 8. Waive is to give up or to forgo.
- 9. **Hydraulic** is employing water or other liquids in motion.
- 10. **Simultaneous** is occurring or operating at the same time.
- 11. **Singe** is to burn slightly, to scorch.
- 12. **Siphon** is a tube bent into legs of unequal length, for getting liquid from one container to another.
- 13. **Skeptic** is a person who questions the validity of something.
- 14. Skew is to turn aside or swerve.
- 15. **Thorough** is executed without negligence or omissions.
- 16. **Thumb** is the short, thick inner digit of the human hand.
- 17. **Tier** is one of a series of rows rising one behind or above another.
- 18. **Slaughter** is the killing of cattle, etc., for food.
- 19. Roulette is a game of chance.
- 20. Rubella is a disease also called German measles.

- 1. Cardiopulmonary is pertaining to the heart and lungs.
- 2. Horde is a large group, a multitude.
- 3. **Hysterical** is of or pertaining to hysteria.
- 4. **Idyll** is a composition, usually describing pastoral scenes or any appealing incident, or the like.

- 5. **Iguana** is a large lizard native to Central and South America.
- 6. **Carnivorous** means flesh-eating.
- 7. **Symposium** is a meeting to discuss some subject.
- 8. **Synod** is an assembly of church delegates.
- 9. **Catastrophe** is a sudden and widespread disaster.
- 10. **Sew** is to join or attach by stitches.
- 11. **Shackle** is something used to secure the wrist, leg, etc.
- 12. Sheathe is to put a sword into a sheath.
- 13. **Tinsel** is a glittering, metallic substance, usually in strips.
- 14. Titanic meaning gigantic.
- 15. Sable is an Old World weasel-like animal.
- 16. **Sachet** is a small bag containing perfuming powder or the like.
- 17. **Sacrilegious** is pertaining to the violation of anything sacred.
- 18. **Pavilion** is a building used for shelter, concerts, or exhibits.
- 19. Peak is the pointed top of a mountain.
- 20. **Penchant** is a strong inclination or liking for something.

- 1. **Buoy** is a float used to mark a water channel.
- 2. Cabaret is a restaurant providing food, drink and music.
- 3. **Mercenary** is working or acting merely for money or reward.
- 4. **Mesquite** is a spiny tree found in western North America.
- 5. **Cantankerous** is disagreeable to deal with.
- 6. Forage is food for cattle or horses.
- 7. **Pronunciation** is an accepted standard of the sound and stress patterns of a syllable or word.
- 8. **Psalm** is a sacred song or hymn.
- 9. Quarantine is a strict isolation.
- 10. Forsythia is a shrub of the olive family.
- 11. **Incidence** means the rate of change or occurrence.
- 12. **Indicator** is a person or thing that indicates.
- 13. **Ophthalmology** is the branch of medicine dealing with anatomy, functions and diseases of the eye.
- 14. **Ordnance** is cannon or artillery.
- 15. Nonpareil is having no equal.
- 16. **Noxious** is harmful or injurious to health.
- 17. **Sheen** is luster, brightness, radiance.
- 18. **Shrew** is a woman of violent temper and speech.
- 19. **Shroud** is a cloth or sheet in which a corpse is wrapped for burial.
- 20. **Sierra** is a chain of hills or mountains, the peaks of which suggest the teeth of a saw.

- 1. **Camouflage** is hiding oneself from one's enemy.
- 2. **Insurgence** is an act of rebellion.
- 3. Melee is a confused, hand-to-hand fight among several people.
- 4. **Memento** is a keepsake or souvenir.
- 5. **Interfere** is to meddle in the affairs of others.
- 6. Cannoneer is an artilleryman.
- 7. **Taint** is a trace of something bad or harmful.
- 8. **Surveillance** is a watch kept over a person or group.
- 9. **Swerve** is to turn aside abruptly.
- 10. Tally is an account or reckoning.
- 11. Fraught means full of or accompanied by.
- 12. Fuchsia is a bright, purplish-red color.
- 13. **Silhouette** is a two-dimensional representation of the outline of an object.
- 14. **Simile** is a figure of speech in which two unlike things are compared, as in she is like a rose.
- 15. **Penguin** is a flightless bird of the Southern Hemisphere.
- 16. Penicillin is an antibiotic of low toxicity.
- 17. **Penitentiary** is a prison maintained for serious offenders.
- 18. **Perennial** is lasting for a long time; enduring.
- 19. Periphery is the external boundary of any area.
- 20. **Perjury** is lying under oath.

- 1. Calisthenics are gymnastic exercises.
- 2. **Invoice** is an itemized bill for goods or services.
- 3. **Iridescent** is displaying a play of bright colors, like a rainbow.
- 4. Callous is hard or indifferent.
- 5. **Eczema** is an inflammatory condition of the skin.
- 6. **Effervescent** is bubbling, vivacious or gay.
- 7. **Eloquence** is using language with fluency and aptness.
- 8. **Taffy** is a chewy candy.
- 9. **Surrey** is a light carriage for four persons.
- 10. **Surrogate** is a person appointed to act for another; a deputy.
- 11. **Tail** is the hindmost part of an animal.
- 12. **Encumbrance** is something burdensome.
- 13. **Tyrannize** is to exercise absolute control or power.
- 14. **Ulcer** is a sore on the skin.
- 15. **Saffron** is a crocus having showy, purple flowers.
- 16. **Salutatorian** is the person ranking second in the graduating class.

- 17. **Sanctimonious** is making a hypocritical show of religious devotion.
- 18. **Sapphire** is a gem with a blue color.
- 19. **Sarcasm** is harsh or bitter derision or irony.
- 20. **Satellite** is a body that revolves around a planet, a moon.