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Spelling & Vocabulary Practice Test

INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: This test has multiple parts, and each is separately timed. The time allotted for taking Part I is 15 minutes. Both sections should be completed within this time frame. Parts II and III will consist of words pronounced for the contestants. Only Parts I and II will be graded, unless there is a tie, in which case Part III will be graded only for the students that are involved in a tie.

Part IA. The Proofreading element tests a student's ability to recognize misspelled words. In each of the sets, one word is incorrect. Errors may be in capitalization, use of accent marks or hyphens, or in the actual spelling. Words have been taken from the lists in *Word Power*. Some words may come from other sources. Note that alternate spellings are considered correct spellings. Use capitals and accent marks as required in correctly writing the misspelled word for this element in the provided blank. Each correct answer is worth one point.

Part IB. The Vocabulary element tests the meanings and origins of words that are marked in the list for vocabulary study. There should be no misspelled words in this section. There is an Answer Sheet provided for contestants to write the letter for the **best** answer using capital letters. Each correct answer is worth one point.

For Parts II and III, there is an Answer Sheet for writing the spelling words. A pronouncer should speak each word twice. If a word has two or more acceptable pronunciations, at least two of the pronunciations should be given, and each may be given twice. No one may interrupt the pronouncer. If a word seems to offer unusual difficulties to the spellers, it should be briefly defined or used in a sentence. If a word is a homonym, a pronouncer should define the word to distinguish it.

Part II. The Spelling List should be pronounced at approximately five words per minute. This element contains a list of seventy words (80% from the published booklet). **Off-list words that are not from *Word Power* are marked with a symbol in front of the word.** Each correctly spelled word is worth one point. Please see the attached pronunciation guide and ensure the pronouncer is comfortable with saying the words.

Part III. The Tiebreaker element contains a list of 20 words, with 80% being from the published list. All students should take the Tiebreaker, but it should only be graded in the event of a tie, and then, only the spellers directly involved in the tie should have their papers graded.

Outside sources include the following types of words:

1. Words of common usage
2. Words and proper names currently in the news
3. Words which by their formation or origins build vocabulary and promote the study of English, including affixes, roots, and suffixes which appear in words on the printed list used in other forms

Pronunciation scheme. Our pronunciations follow those found in the *American Heritage Dictionary*, and up to four pronunciations are shown. Also included for each word are the part(s) of speech and definition. If alternate spellings are indicated in the American Heritage, they are listed with the first spelling or beneath the first spelling

Our unique pronunciation scheme is very similar to that now used by many major dictionaries and newspapers to provide a simple, "keyless" scheme for difficult words. Our scheme recognizes only the 14 primary vowel sounds below: (only the first one or two should require your referencing our key at the bottom of each page).

ii=sign	eh=care	uh=ago	ay=wade	ah=calm	aw=paw	a=cap
oh=home	oo=too	ow=how	i=hit	ee=heat	u=put	e=pet

Syllables are separated by periods. Those with primary emphasis are capitalized; those not emphasized are in lower case. Secondary emphasis is not indicated. Our simple system has been in use for 20 years by schools using our UIL products and for 30+ years by schools using our line of companion products for The National Spelling Bee.

UIL SPELLING & VOCABULARY - ANSWER SHEET - PART I
(30 questions, 15 minutes, 1 point each)

IA. Proofreading		Grader:			IB. Vocab		Grader:		
		1	2	3			1	2	3
1	_____				16	_____			
2	_____				17	_____			
3	_____				18	_____			
4	_____				19	_____			
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11	_____				26	_____			
12	_____				27	_____			
13	_____				28	_____			
14	_____				29	_____			
15	_____				30	_____			
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS		30	30	30			30	30	30
MINUS ERRORS		-	-	-			-	-	-
TOTAL SCORE - PART I									
		Grader					Grader		
		1	2	3			1	2	3
GRADERS' INITIALS									

UIL Spelling & Vocabulary Test
Part III - 20 points - Tiebreaker

Contestant Number _____

	Grdr 1	Grdr 2	Grdr 3
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SCORE _____/25

Number Correct _____
 Graders' Initials _____

Spelling & Vocabulary Practice Packet - A

• Part IB. Vocabulary

15 items (15 points)

1. If a doctor performed an arthrotomy, he would be cutting into a(n) --- .
A. artery
B. bone
C. joint
D. organ
E. brain
2. She played the --- , and the similarity of that sound to the nature it aims to imitate was remarkable.
A. vox humana
B. windjammer
C. tarantella
D. qiviut
E. manzanilla
3. Cameoing comes from the --- word meaning --- .
A. Italian, carved stone
B. French, light-hearted
C. Italian, carving in relief
D. French, carving in shell
E. Latin, water
4. Which of the following is a synonym for insipid?
A. acuminous
B. acrid
C. banal
D. tapered
E. watery
5. Which of the following is an antonym of aberration?
A. hiatus
B. rejection
C. righteous act
D. embarrassment
E. trivial matter
6. Ingenuity means --- .
A. act of exposing to danger or harm
B. abnormal
C. absolute courageousness
D. a hint
E. inventiveness
7. The content of a martyrology could best be described as a study of --- .
A. people who died for a cause
B. people who have suffered harm or loss
C. Jesus' death
D. the phenomenon of death
E. strange creatures
8. Glossolalia comes from the Greek words --- and --- .
A. tongue, speech
B. tongue, words
C. tongue, prattle
D. words, speech
E. words, flow
9. The small hamlet was considered a(n) --- of the noble's manor, who effectively ruled the entire area.
A. appurtenance
B. concordance
C. conveyance
D. corban
E. malaise
10. As manager for the --- , Mr. Davis assigned each officer an office worker to take dictation and type letters.
A. proprietorship
B. secretariat
C. municipality
D. steerageway
E. oubliette
11. Romaine comes from the Latin word for --- .
A. Roman
B. leaf
C. green
D. lettuce
E. salad
12. The --- owl's silent flight and great night vision make it ideally suited for catching its prey.
A. coquettish
B. familial
C. raptorial
D. hemophobic
E. reverential
13. Retrograde comes from Latin words meaning to --- .
A. circle around
B. circle back
C. decline again
D. go backward
E. slope backward
14. Neoliberalism comes from the Greek word meaning --- and the Latin word meaning --- .
A. new, free
B. new, tradition
C. not, free
D. not, conservative
E. none of the above
15. The --- with its two separate lanterns makes one picture appear to dissolve while another forms on the screen.
A. tuyère
B. vagabond
C. vox humana
D. singleton
E. stereopticon

Spelling & Vocabulary Practice Test – D - continued

26. **evacuee** <i.VAK.yoo.ee>
n / person removed from a dangerous situation
27. **linchpin, lynchpin** <LINCH.pin>
n / piece inserted in end of a shaft to prevent wheel slippage; cohesive element
28. **roche moutonnée** <rawsh.moo.tuh.NAY> or <rawsh.moo.taw.NAY>
n / smooth, rounded rock outcropping
29. **Scaramouch, Scaramouche** <SKEHR.uh.moosh>
n / boastful, cowardly Spanish don of Italian play; rascal, ne'er-do-well
30. ♦ **pejorative** <pi.JAWR.uh.tiv> or <pi.JAHR.uh.tiv> <PEJ.uh.ray.tiv> <PEE.juh.ray.tiv>
adj, n / worsening
31. **verboden** <vehr.BOHT.n> or <fehr.BOHT.n>
adj / forbidden, especially precluded by dictate
32. **venography** <vi.NAHG.ruh.fee>
n / X rays showing veins into which an opaque substance has been injected
33. **nictitate** <NIK.ti.tayt>
v / wink, blink one's eye winsomely
34. **Mogadishu** <mahg.uh.DISH.oo> or <mahg.uh.DEE.shoo>
n / relating to the capital city of Somalia
35. ♦ **gaiters** <GAY.tuhrz>
n / leg coverings reaching from instep to mid-calf or knee
36. **Sybarite (s)** <SIB.uh.riit>
n / one devoted to luxurious surroundings; one from ancient Greek city
37. **novella** <noh.VEL.uh>
n / short written story usually having a moral message or satirical one
38. **croupier** <KROO.pee.uhr> or <KROO.pee.ay>
n / casino worker who handles bets
39. **algophobia** <al.guh.FOH.bee.uh>
n / excessive fear of pain
40. ♦ **fisticuffs** <FIS.ti.kuhfs>
n / fights using clenched hands; boxing
41. **pagoda** <puh.GOH.duh>
n / richly decorated Far Eastern temple or memorial
42. **bush leaguer** <BOOSH.lee.guhr>
n / person operating in a limited or small-time environment
43. **clochard** <kloh.SHAHR>
n / hobo, tramp; type of bell tower
44. **Timbuktu** <tim.buhk.TOO> or <tim.BUHK.too>
n / city in Mali in Africa
45. ♦ **shuttlecock** <SHUHD.uhl.kahk> or <SHUHT.uhl.kahk>
n, v, adj / "bird" used in badminton that is volleyed back and forth; bandy
46. **separatist** <SEP.uhr.uh.tist> or <SEP.ruh.tist>
adj, n / relating to those dissenting from an established religion
47. **varicosity** <vehr.i.KAHS.i.tee>
n / state of being abnormally dilated
48. **hematoma** <hee.muh.TOH.muh>
n / tumor that contains blood
49. **sostenuto** <soh.stuh.NOO.toh> or <saw.stuh.NOO.toh>
adj, n, adv / prolonged; passage whose notes are sustained
50. ♦ **Gruyère** <groo.YEHR> or <gree.EHR> <gree.YEHR>
n / pressed cheese that is pale yellow in color
51. **bravissimo** <brah.VIS.uh.moh>
interj / expression of great approval
52. **riverine** <RIV.uh.riin> or <RIV.uh.reen>
adj, n / relating to a large stream; located on the banks of a stream

Spelling & Vocabulary Practice Test – F - continued

55. ◇ **frappé** <fra.PAY> or <frap>
n / slushy, frozen mixture of fruit juices;
make such a drink; ballet movement
56. **thurible** <THOOR.uh.buhl>
n / vessel for burning incense used in
religious services
57. **encyclopedia (E)** <in.sii.kluh.PEE.dist>
n / one who writes a comprehensive
reference work
58. **macaronic** <mak.uh.RAHN.ik>
adj / having two languages mixed together,
especially when one is Latin; mixed
59. **superannuate** <soo.puhr.AN.yuh.wayt>
v / retire due to old age; set aside due to
obsolescence
60. ◇ **tommyrot** <TAHM.ee.raht>
n / senselessness, gibberish, childishness
61. **sepulture** <SEP.uhl.choor> or
<SEP.uhl.chuhr>
n / act of placing in a grave; burial place
62. **pheochromocytoma**
<fee.oh.kroh.moh.si.TOH.muh>
n / tumor located in the sympathetic
nervous system or adrenal medulla
63. **solipsism** <SAHL.ip.siz.uhm> or
<SOHL.ip.siz.uhm>
n / extreme self-indulgence and conceit
64. **oleander** <OH.lee.an.duhr> or
<oh.lee.AN.duhr>
n / flowering, ornamental shrub cultivated
in warm regions
65. ◇ **waif** <WAYF>
n, adj, v / stray or homeless person, usually
a child
66. **Shakti** <SHUK.tee> or <SHAHK.tee>
n / life force; power that creates the
universe; consort of a male divinity, especially
Shiva
67. **tapir** <TAY.puhr> or <tuh.PIR>
n / hoglike mammal of South and Central
America and Malaysia
68. **neolith** <NEE.uh.lith>
n / stone implement dating to a prehistoric
period roughly 10,000 BCE
69. **facetiae** <fuh.SEE.shee.ee>
n / humorous writings
70. ◇ **pirouette** <pir.oo.ET>
v, n / dance on one's toes; horse's galloping
movement while pivoting