

# Al-Ihsan Academy

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# Annual Spelling Bee 2017 Book of Words

## Activities

After School Academic Program  
Spelling Bee Competition  
Sports Day

The Spelling Bee Competition is scheduled for the following dates. **Grades K- 5 will compete on Tuesday, February 14, 2017. Grades 6-12 will compete on Wednesday, February 15, 2017.** The words contained in this booklet are for students to practice. Students are encouraged to use the words in a sentence and learn its meaning. Insha' Allah this activity will help students build their vocabulary and help in their phonemic awareness.

Parents, please be aware that the list may be edited and revised.

## The Rules

Allahumma, Allimniy Ma Yanfauniy Wanfa'niy Bimaa  
Allamtaniy Wa Zidniy 'Ilmah.

Prepared for Al-Ihsan Academy  
By the Spelling Bee Committee

**O' Allah teach me what will benefit me and benefit me with what you teach me and increase me in knowledge.  
Rabbi-sh-rahliy Sadri, Wa Yassirliy Amriy, W'ahlul-uqdata  
Mil-lisaaniy, yafqahu qawliy.**

Here is a capitulation of the rules for Al-Ihsan Academy (AIA) Annual Spelling Bee.

- 1) Each participating class must submit two names per class or 4 names per grade level as applicable.
- 2) The Spelling Bee will be held in four parts: Part I: Kindergarten; Part II: Grades 1-2; Part III: Grades 3-5; Part IV: Grades 6-8; Part V: Grades 9-12. **Students in the various parts will be given words from their grade level to spell including words that are highlighted and defined.** In the round off to determine a champion, spellers / contestants may be given words from the next part or grade level above.
- 3) **Contestants are required to pronounce or say the words before spelling them, ask for a meaning or use in a sentence if needed, spell the actual word and to say the word after spelling it, to indicate that he / she have finished spelling the word.**
- 4) **Capitalization of proper nouns will be reinforced from grades 5 to 12.**
- 5) Having started to spell a word contestants will not be given an opportunity to change letters once pronounced.
- 6) A speller / contestant having started to spell a word may stop and begin provided the letters and their sequence has not been changed during the respelling.
- 7) If inadvertently, no definition of words with the same pronunciation is given to spell, the correct spelling of either word will be accepted. When a speller is given the definition of the word, speller must spell the word defined.
- 8) A contestant / speller may request that a word be pronounced or defined or used in a sentence. The pronouncer shall grant the request until the officials agree that the word has been made reasonably clear to the contestant / speller. Judges may disqualify a speller / contestant who ignores a request to start spelling.
- 9) **The judges' decisions are final. No protest will be entertained after the contest is terminated.**
- 10) Please note some words may have more than one meaning, the meanings given are just a guide to help students understand the concept of the word / s.
- 11) Upon missing the spelling of a word, a speller immediately drops out of the competition except when two spellers remain. At this point, when the 1<sup>st</sup> speller misses a word, that word is referred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> speller. If the 2<sup>nd</sup> speller spells the word correctly, he/ she is given the next word. If he/ she spells the next word correctly, he / she is declared the winner.

12) If the 2<sup>nd</sup> speller misspells the next word, it is referred to the 1<sup>st</sup> speller. The competition continues until a speller spells the referred word plus a new word correctly.

13) Trophies will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners from grades K to 3, and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place for all other grades.

14) Participation in the Inner Islamic School Spelling Bee Competition will be fulfilled with a declared winner from grades K to 3. The elementary school champion and the middle school champion will suffice for participation in this regional competition.

15) Certificates of Participation will be awarded to all spellers.

16) The judges and committee members are as follows:

a. Pronouncer                      Sr. Tauheedah Shaheed

b. Moderator  
c. Judges

Br. Riyaad Siddique

i. Sr. Amirah Golden  
ii. Br. Rafiq Shaheed

**Future Announcements:** Please be aware that AIA Spelling Bee **In Shaa' Allah might move to an earlier date** to accommodate the Inter-Islamic School Spelling Bee Competition that is scheduled for March 2012.

**Abbreviations:**

adj.                      = adjective  
adv.                      = adverb  
conj.                     = conjunction  
e.g.                      = for example  
esp.                      = especially  
i.e.                       = that is  
n.                         = noun  
p.p                       = past participle  
pl.                        = plural  
prep                     = preposition  
pres. p                  = present participle  
v                         = verb

# Part 1 Kindergarten

are	add	am	an	and	hip	list	love
baby	all	at	aunt	back	hop	log	wet
bad	also	big	away	bath	hot	me	with
bag	as	box	back	black	inside	mill	zoo
ball	ask	bun	bang	blue	cat	noon	the
bed	bark	can	bet	body	gift	not	this
bee	bell	cost	bill	brown	go	paint	pot
beg	boat	dash	bird	candy	hat	rag	red
bib	boot	day	boy	cat	how	rain	rest
book	catch	dig	car	club	in	rat	rub
bus	city	door	clip	crab	into	see	she
but	cob	drag	cub	crop	lad	sell	stop
cap	cook	ear	desk	cup	little	stay	them
clap	cow	fall	do	dog	lot	that	my
come	cut	far	fan	farm	milk	they	on
cry	deck	fib	four	fish	leg	top	one
cup	dent	foot	fox	fun	look	we	ox
dad	dim	for	from	grass	moth	will	pin
down	dot	gas	good	green	name	you	pup
eat	dry	girl	gay	gum	old	mud	roll
fly	egg	story	hall	hill	lid	of	run
get	end	he	head	hit	mad	papa	school
give	eye	hem	here	it	no	pest	shoe

hand	fat	hug	hut	jar	out	pet	sing
have	fog	if	ice	key	pen	jam	sky
hen	food	ill	is	king	work	kitten	

tip	put	train
wall	saw	pal
where	say	party
tree	sea	pat
van	set	play
white	shop	roof
year	slow	sad
yellow	so	sit
walk	street	sleep
who	take	song
word	ten	star
yes	there	sun
there	toe	up

### Challenge Words

teacher	place	funny	
brother	games	sister	beach
people	stone	family	forest
house	grade	yard	rude
camp	pack	crumbs	quart

weather	compete	academy	question
listen	Arabic	science	roles
proper	speller	start	seat
remind	correct	award	speech
queen	what	tags	medals

## Part 11, Grades 1-2

### Grades 1

able	above	ace	acid	address	berry	class	bless
about	add	across	act	again	bible	clown	blink
age	ahead	afraid	after	aid	bicycle	coil	bloom
ago	aim	air	alarm	alligator	bike	cane	board
airport	airplane	also	always	animal	birth	card	boil
alert	along	angel	another	answer	bitter	caterpillar	born
almost	apple	ash	aunt	ape	bleed	chain	boss
already	April	ask	babe	autumn	blend	chair	bow
anger	army	August	baby	bad	canoe	cheese	braid
ant	ballet	auto	band	bandit	cape	choose	brain
any	balloon	bale	bare	bay	cart	climb	bread
apart	bar	banana	barn	be	case	cheat	break
area	base	bark	basket	beach	cause	chest	breath
arm	beak	basement	behave	bee	change	child	brew
art	bear	beam	beside	believe	chap	chin	brick
attic	beehive	because	best	better	chase	chuckle	broke

awe	begin	beep	blame	between	bold	churn	broom
awful	below	behind	blot	bid	bottom	clasp	brush
badge	bit	being	blow	blanket	brag	claw	buggy
bake	black	belly	both	body	brake	clean	bunch
bald	block	belt	branch	bone	brick	bring	bunk
bank	bottle	bite	brook	bowl	bride	bug	burn
bead	breakfast	blank	bump	brave	bright	bull	burp
bean	bridge	blast	bunny	brother	brim	busy	coin
beast	bucket	blind	cage	bull	cheer	butter	comb
beef	butcher	blossom	carry	bun	chew	button	cookie
before	butterfly	blush	cast	bus	choice	camp	cool
being	call	boat	cave	cake	circus	carrot	core
belong	dead	bobsled	cereal	candle	clam	catch	correct
cracker	December	cloth	chirp	design	den	cup	finch
cub	cut	clover	choke	dice	desk	dare	finger
daze	deal	cluck	chuck	dirt	diet	deep	fire
clock	decide	clue	chug	dive	dime	dig	firehouse
coat	else	color	circle	doll	dine	dollar	fireworks
cork	enjoy	colt	clang	dough	ditch	dragon	flap
corner	ever	cone	clank	drink	dock	draw	flash
count	house	contest	clay	drive	doctor	drop	flea
crazy	hundred	copy	click	each	dome	duck	flop
crib	if	cover	cloud	edge	donut	ear	flow
cupcake	important	crack	clump	eighteen	dot	eight	flower
clear	insect	craft	clutch	enough	doze	eleven	flush
clever	jar	crank	code	even	drab	evening	free
cliff	fat	crash	cook	evil	drill	exam	frog

cling	feel	crawl	cord	fast	driveway	fail	gate
clink	fetch	crayon	corn	February	dry	fair	gentle
clop	fib	cream	cowboy	field	duel	fancy	goal
center	fifteen	creep	crush	find	dung	father	goat
cheek	file	crisp	crust	fine	eagle	favor	gobble
chill	film	crow	cry	fir	egg	felt	glad
chip	face	dab	cute	five	eighty	fifty	glasses
chips	farm	damp	deliver	flake	elf	finish	glow
dish	feather	dance	direction	flask	elk	firefighter	gong
door	fee	dark	hammer	flesh	enter	flat	gram
dress	feet	date	hang	fling	exit	fold	granny
drip	few	dinner	head	flipper	eye	folk	grass
during	fill	donkey	heavy	flood	fact	fool	grind
earn	flag	drain	heel	flop	fake	forgot	grip
easy	floor	dream	herd	flour	fame	form	grocery
eat	forest	drift	hotdog	fluff	family	forward	grunt
dumb	fort	fresh	foam	grab	juice	hurry	less
dump	fourteen	full	follow	greet	kill	hut	lift
eardrum	king	giant	for	grow	kind	jacket	lion
early	kitchen	give	forever	guy	lake	jelly	lock
ease	knit	gold	forty	hail	lamp	jet	lord
east	lamb	goose	friend	hall	laugh	hire	girl
elbow	lame	grin	frost	gum	jaw	hole	glide
elephant	large	grumpy	hike	fry	jeep	honk	golf
elm	float	gym	hind	garden	job	hook	good-bye
empty	foot	habit	hint	gate	join	horn	gown
escape	foul	hamburger	hitch	glass	July	hose	hiss

every	found	haul	hold	glue	junk	idea	leg
hard	frame	heat	hop	grade	happen	inch	gasp
hatch	fret	heel	hour	grape	hay	itch	gather
hate	front	hit	however	gravy	helicopter	jack	handle
help	fruit	honey	humor	ground	hero	January	hair
hide	hatch	hoof	hunch	guess	high	icebox	hug

## Grade 2

horse	hive	lose	lay	joke	pretty	poet	round
how	home	lump	lesson	joy	pull	poke	ruby
hunt	hope	magic	let	June	pump	poll	sack
ink	huge	mail	liar	kick	pure	pop	sail
inside	hum	map	likely	kiss	purple	popcorn	sandwich
iron	hurt	meal	limb	kite	quiet	power	sap
jay	hush	merry	lime	knee	quiz	prize	sash

jolly	island	might	live	knife	raft	pupa	scalp
jump	item	minute	loss	knot	raise	pun	scar
keep	jam	money	lot	lack	ready	push	school
kid	jeans	mother	magnet	land	reed	quack	science
lab	jigsaw	mountain	make	lark	reindeer	quit	seat
ladder	judge	mule	May	lava	rely	ranch	send
lash	just	mumps	measure	lawyer	rink	rest	September
last	key	navy	mend	learn	rise	ribbon	shall
lazy	lady	near	middle	letter	road	rip	shock
lean	ladybug	needle	milk	library	roar	rob	shop
leave	lane	nice	mirror	lie	rod	robin	short
lid	late	nickname	mist	limit	rooster	rocket	shrill
light	law	ninety	mittens	limp	ruin	rose	sick
line	leaf	note	mold	loan	rung	rule	sign
loaf	left	now	monkey	lone	rush	safe	sin
loop	lens	October	mop	long	same	sand	sink
love	life	omit	mouse	makeup	Saturday	saw	skate.
low	like	only	mouth	mama	save	scare	ski
mall	lily	outside	gruff	March	scratch	season	skid
man	listen	over	muffin	math	scrub	seed	skunk
mark	luck	pair	muggy	maybe	second	sell	slab
mash	lunch	park	mutt	meat	seek	sew	slash
mean	many	part	napkin	mile	selfish	shake	sleep
medicine	mask	patch	nasty	mind	seventy	shirt	slice
mine	melt	path	need	miss	shed	shy	slime
mom	mild	peep	neighbor	mix	shell	side	smart

month	minus	pen	news	mock	toward	truck	snap
more	mitt	pick	night	mood	paste	one	quart
moss	Monday	pie	noise	moon	pay	orange	rabbit
music	morning	pilot	November	move	pear	oxygen	radio
must	most	pitch	odd	much	people	paper	rare
never	nail	pizza	off	mush	phone	parent	ray
north	nap	plate	onto	nest	pink	pat	return
nut	neat	plus	oven	Net	place	pave	rice
oats	next	pole	pad	nine	plant	peanut	ride
oil	nineteen	possible	page	noon	poem	peck	ripe
once	nook	post	pain	number	polish	peel	rock
other	nose	practice	palm	oak	pond	person	room
own	nothing	pray	pancake	often	pool	picnic	root
pant	obey	print	parrot	old	poor	pipe	rot
parade	ocean	pudding	party	open	scrimp	sausage	should
paw	owe	port	pixy	roll	record	score	shovel
peas	owl	pour	please	rope	rent	soak	shrub
pencil	pack	pod	plan	rub	rigid	redwood	rake
pepper	pan	point	plug	runt	ring	rich	raw
picture	pants	postcard	plump	salad	river	right	read
piece	pass	present	police	sauce	roam	show	slim
pill	past	promise	pony	scissors	roof	signal	slim
pinch	peach	puddle	pot	sea	row	sir	slow
pine	penny	question	press	seem	rude	sixty	sly
pity	perfect	race	proud	set	ruff	skill	snack
plain	pickup	racket	puff	seven	rug	sky	sock

plop	Pig	rag	pup	shack	rust	slang	south
plow	pigtail	rail	quick	shame	sag	slide	spell
plum	pile	ramp	rage	shape	salt	ton	train
pocket	pint	real	rainbow	soar	shrug	tong	trot
slip	spice	stem	tube	some	sift	self	snail
slop	spill	Stir	turkey	son	silk	seventeen	snip
smog	sport	storm	twin	sow	silly	sheep	snort
smoke	spy	strict	twirl	speak	sister	sheet	snub
snow	stamp	string	twist	speck	skim	shout	snug
slip	sixteen	without	ugly	spin	skirt	shred	sob
smack	skin	wool	under	splash	slam	shut	sofa
small	skip	would	valid	stack	slap	sigh	soft
smell	slacks	yard	wait	stand	sleet	sill	song
smudge	slant	zero	wake	start	sling	six	sort
soil	star	zoom	war	unit	think	till	spa
sorry	stick	toy	water	until	thought	time	spat
soup	stitch	treat	wave	van	tick	tint	speed
spank	stream	trim	wax	walk	tiger	tip	split
spider	street	trip	were	wall	toast	toe	spot
spike	strum	trust	west	warn	tooth	tone	trick
sprinkle	stump	Try	whale	way	toss	top	trunk
squirrel	sudden	twig	while	wear	tractor	topic	tune
stain	suit	upset	wicked	web	tree	town	turtle
station	sunflower	vest	wiggle	sleigh	turn	travel	twenty
steep	surprise	voice	wild	slug	twelve	warm	upon
stink	swamp	wagon	wipe	smash	type	was	vase

store	swell	wash	wise	smile	understand	wed	very
strap	swing	watch	witch	snake	use	weekend	visit
strawberry	taco	weep	wolf	sniff	vegetables	which	staff
stuff	tadpole	welcome	wood	snob	verb	whisper	stare
such	task	well	why	soda	Vote	wing	step
sure	teach	tame	wig	soon	wander	wonder	sting
swift	tell	taxi	wind	sound	want	word	stock
swirl	tend	tear	wink	sour	wrong	wrap	stove
swish	these	tent	wire	spend	Wednesday	tab	stupid
syrup	thick	tent	wish	spoon	weed	tail	subway
talk	thirteen	text	world	spring	when	tale	summer
tattle	thorn	thing	wow	state	whip	tank	supper
theft	throw	thirst	yarn	stiff	whisker	taste	table
thin	thumb	thirty	yesterday	still	window	test	tack
three	Thursday	thumbtack	yolk	strange	woman	thank	tale
through	tingle	ticket	tomorrow	strip	worry	those	tape
thud	title	tie	tool	subtract	yell	throat	tea
tiny	today	tilt	track	Sunday	true	tide	television
tire	tonight	ting	trade	sweet	trouble	Tuesday	than
together	tower	toad	trap	swim	tuck	turn	tag
strong	uncle	tray	trim	sugar			tall

## Grade 1 & 2 Challenge Words

1. **Acre** n. measure of land. The house was built on 4 **acres** of land.
2. **Apathy** n. lack of feeling; lack of concern or interest. Public **apathy** about a political issue may result in low voter turnout.
3. **Betray** v. if you betray someone, you are not loyal to that person or do something to hurt him or her.
4. **Chaos** n. total confusion
5. **Consequence** n. the result of an action
6. **Desolate** adj. deserted or uninhabited, as in a desolate village.
7. **Document** n. a piece of paper containing important information. Be sure to bring **documents** such as your birth certificate, when you go to get your passport.
8. **Empathy** n. identification with and understanding of other people's feelings and situations. I'm from overseas, so I have **empathy** for recent immigrants.
9. **Frustrate** v. if something **frustrates** you, it prevents you from doing something.
10. **Generous** adj. People who are **generous** are happy to use their time and money to help others.
11. **Hysterical** adj. If someone is **hysterical**, the person laughs or cries a lot because he or she is very excited, frightened or angry.
12. **Investigate** v. If you **investigate** something such as a crime you find out as much as possible about it.
13. **Journey** n. distance traveled. The **journey** from home to school was very short.
14. **Length** n. the distance between two ends. The **length** of the tables was 10 inches.
15. **Maneuver** n. a difficult movement that needs planning and skill. The pilots performed a series of exciting **maneuvers**.
16. **Notorious** adj. If someone is notorious, the person is well known for something bad. The people across the hall are **notorious** for their loud parties.
17. **Nourish** v. to give a person or an animal enough food to keep him or her strong and healthy. Fatima **nourished** the starved cat back to health.

18. **Obedience** n. doing what one is told. Dogs' **obedience** to their masters makes them good pets.
19. **Paralyze** v. to make someone or something helpless or unable to function. A blizzard paralyzed the airport.
20. **Remorse** n. a deep torturing sense of guilt felt over a wrong that one has done. Sumaaya felt much **remorse** after hitting her brother.
21. **Sacrifice** v. to give up something important or enjoyable for a good reason. I **sacrificed** my free time to help my brother with his homework.

22. **Sarcastic** adj. if you are **sarcastic**, you use bitter or mocking words that are meant to hurt or make fun of someone or something.
23. **Souvenir** n. an object that you keep to remind you of a place, a person or an event.
24. **Strategy** n. a clever plan for winning a military battle or achieving a goal.
25. **Sympathy** n. the understanding and sharing of other people's troubles. After her accident, Zahrah's friends gave her lots of **sympathy**.

## Part 111, Grades 3-5

### Grade 3

abbreviate	absent	absorb	accent	accept	background	balcony	chestnut
aboard	accident	ache	adjust	acorn	backward	ballad	chipmunk
accordion	accuse	adjective	adopt	admire	ballroom	bandage	choir
acrobat	actual	advice	Africa	adult	band-aid	barrel	chow
admit	adverb	afford	agriculture	against	banner	basin	cinder
adventure	affair	alley	algae	Alaska	barter	batter	clarinet
agree	aisle	aluminum	allow	almanac	basketball	beard	clothing
airline	although	ambulance	amaze	alphabet	awkward	babble	cluster
album	altitude	ancient	America	ambush	balance	baboon	coast
aloud	amuse	antelope	Andes	among	Baltic	ballpoint	cocoa

amount	anchorage	appear	announce	ankle	banquet	banjo	clumsy
anchor	annual	appreciate	anthem	annoy	baton	barrow	cobra
anniversary	anxious	arch	apartment	antonym	beauty	baseball	colony
Antarctica	apostrophe	arithmetic	approach	approximate	bedspread	battery	committee
apology	applaud	arrange	approve	apron	basic	cello	community
appetite	aquarium	Asia	arctic	ark	bathroom	centipede	company
apricot	argue	athlete	arrive	arrow	battle	certain	concert
arrest	article	attach	aspen	aspirin	beaver	chant	consist
assign	artificial	automobile	assistant	Atlantic	beyond	charcoal	consonant
atmosphere	assortment	awhile	attend	atlas	birch	chemical	contain
attack	atom	axe	attitude	attract	blaze	chimpanzee	convince
audience	attention	bamboo	avenue	Australia	coliseum	chorus	concentrate
author	auditorium	barbecue	average	avoid	collar	cigar	Connecticut
aware	autograph	bargain	axle	award	comet	climate	consider
batch	belch	blood	become	beetle	comfort	cotton	culture
beagle	biography	boast	bench	behold	communicate	cough	curious
beige	blizzard	border	Bethlehem	beware	copper	courteous	custom
beneath	booth	bounty	bibliography	blade	contagious	cowhand	daughter
billion	borrow	bracelet	blacksmith	bleat	convenient	cradle	dawn
blackboard	bound	brief	bleacher	blurt	costume	cranberry	deciduous
bookworm	bowling	bronze	blouse	bonnet	cougar	creature	definite
boulder	breeze	buckle	bomb	bonus	coupon	crocodile	delicious
Braille	broad	budget	bother	bough	court	crouch	deny
brownie	bubble	bulb	bouquet	bounce	coyote	cruel	department

buddy	budge	bulletin	brass	bruise	crew	crystal	deserve
bulldog	build	burglar	brilliant	buffalo	crossword	curtain	diary
bundle	bullet	bushel	brow	calendar	crown	cylinder	difficult
buttercup	business	cable	buffet	cane	cumulus	dairy	direct
calorie	cabbage	California	bully	capsule	curl	dandy	discuss
canyon	cactus	canary	butler	cardboard	cycle	danger	divide
capable	capacity	capillary	caboose	career	daffodil	deadline	doubt
capture	caramel	capital	calm	cartoon	damage	decrease	drama
caribou	carnival	carbohydrate	cancel	cartwheel	dandelion	denominator	drizzle
carnation	carol	carpenter	captain	cattle	decimal	deposit	drowsy
carve	casserole	carriage	carbon	celebrate	degree	desert	dune
cauliflower	caution	cassette	carpet	cellophane	delight	destroy	echo
celery	cavern	castle	carton	century	depend	diaper	electric
Celsius	cement	cedar	cattail	chalk	describe	disaster	elegant
chalkboard	champion	cemetery	ceiling	chariot	desperate	discover	emergency
exhale	Europe	equator	empire	dwarf	develop	displace	enemy
expensive	excellent	error	energy	effect	diamond	double	garbage
experiment	excite	evaporate	entire	either	digit	downpour	centigrade
eyebrow	exhaust	except	erase	engine	disappoint	drawbridge	channel
factory	experience	exclaim	erupt	envelope	disguise	dread	character
familiar	explain	exhibit	event	errand	dizzy	drugstore	charge
favor	eyelash	expert	exchange	essay	dodge	dungeon	checkers
female	faint	explore	excuse	evidence	dove	contrary	chimney
fudge	faith	factor	exist	exact	drape	cooperate	chore

germinate	faucet	fault	express	exercise	drawer	corral	church
grand	fawn	final	extra	expect	drought	cottage	coarse
growl	fern	firm	fade	extend	earth	counter	coffin
gull	figure	fluid	falcon	Fahrenheit	educate	courage	collie
handsome	flare	force	fashion	false	element	cousin	column
harvest	flee	ford	feast	fasten	elementary	creak	commercial
headline	flutter	fossil	ferry	fellow	county	croak	common
hibernate	football	freeway	fiction	festival	courtyard	construct	conjunction
honor	forbid	fulcrum	flavor	fierce	crate	continue	crook
hospital	foreword	fumble	flute	firecracker	creek	control	crowd
husky	forth	further	foil	flame	crime	cottonwood	crunch
index	freckle	gaze	forearm	folder	crooked	couple	drown
instead	freeze	general	fortune	forehead	crowbar	course	dunce
kangaroo	frustrate	glaze	fountain	forgive	cuckoo	coward	electron
kindergarten	fuel	glossary	freshman	foursquare	cure	create	embarrass
kneel	furniture	glove	frown	furnace	crumb	cricket	encyclopedia
lasso	gear	goggles	fungus	gallop	cucumber	equilateral	enormous
lighthouse	death	grace	garter	curve	cuddle	estimate	entrance
liquid	define	deaf	genie	daisy	current	elsewhere	effort
lullaby	geranium	defend	future	dart	customer	dense	elastic
main	ghost	grasshopper	garage	germ	denominatio n	deputy	enlarge
margarine	glare	grease	generous	giraffe	depot	dessert	entertain
marshmallow	globe	griddle	gigantic	glacier	desire	detour	innocent

matter	gloom	groom	giggle	glisten	detergent	dial	intelligent
mention	goblin	guard	glimpse	gnaw	diagram	dinosaur	interest
method	gossip	handball	goldenrod	gorilla	dictionary	dioxide	invisible
midget	grammar	harbor	goodnight	graduate	discipline	discourage	jail
moan	grandparent	Harrisburg	gradual	grain	dissolve	disturb	jewel
monster	graze	Hawaii	graham	graph	distant	doodle	joint
mow	greyhound	heart	grapefruit	grateful	downtown	dozen	juggle
equal	groan	hemisphere	grate	greenhouse	dribble	earthquake	kennel
establish	grown-up	hinge	grill	constellation	duke	complete	kernel
example	gulf	hobby	grouch	enthusiasm	eager	compound	kimono
mush	gulp	holler	guest	guitar	pardon	hotel	labor
nation	hammock	holster	guppy	gurgle	passenger	household	language
neither	hangar	hoop	gypsy	handkerchief	pause	human	intestine
New Jersey	harpoon	hound	hamster	hardware	pebble	humble	jewelry
noodle	hatchet	humid	handcuff	harp	pennant	hydrant	journey
noun	headquarters	hunger	harm	harsh	period	hydrogen	junction
oatmeal	heap	hymn	harrow	hazel	Persia	Ideal	kettle
officer	hedge	icicle	hawk	heave	pickle	imagine	label
onion	helmet	idle	hazard	height	pilgrim		laboratory
order	highway	imitate	health	hiccup	pioneer	indent	launch
oval	holiday	impossible	hesitate	hockey	planet	inning	protect
paddle	hollow	individual	hippopotamus	holy	platform	instruct	Providence
parachute	homonym	indoors	holly	horizontal	polka	instrument	machine

proof	litter	locket	honest	howl	poodle	invent	lumber
lead	lace	hoot	huckleberry	porridge	janitor	lantern	liver
lease	larva	hopscotch	husband	postage	Jerusalem	latch	lobster
lemon	leak	hyphen	Iceberg	poster	jingle	lawn	magnify
limestone	edge	igloo	identify	practical	Jupiter	leap	lightning
lizard	length	immediate	Ignite	predicate	kidney	leather	locate
llama	liberty	industry	improve	prepare	kingdom	level	produce
lodge	load	insist	Indeed	pride	layer	lever	pullover
lollipop	lotion	interrupt	influence	private	least	lilac	jackknife
magazine	macaroni	invite	inspect	lunar	lettuce	liter	inward
jungle	jelly	keyboard	Iodine	junior	jellyfish		

## Grade 4

quail	magnificent	major	maintain	manage	skillet	patent
quarter	mammal	manhole	manila	manner	sleeve	pattern
quilt	mantle	manufacture	marry	maple	solo	penguin
range	margin	market	mars	marshal	soothe	percussion
rear	marigold	marmalade	material	mascot	spare	petticoat
recipe	mast	master	meanwhile	match	sparrow	phonograph
refuse	mayor	meadow	medal	mechanic	spinach	pillow
remain	maypole	melon	memorial	member	sponge	pineapple
repair	melody	mental	menu	memory	sprain	pirate
rescue	meow	message	metal	Mercury	spray	plastic
restaurant	Miami	meteor	metric	meter	squash	platter
result	Milwaukee	Missouri	microscope	microwave	squeal	plumber
rhythm	Mississippi	modest	million	mission	stale	postmaster
ridge	moderate	moist	minor	mistake	stamen	potato
roast	modern	mumble	moccasin	moment	startle	prairie
rustler	motel	mustard	mollusk	monitor	steam	prefer
salmon	mulberry	mutter	moose	mosquito	strait	president
sample	multiply	nervous	motion	mound	stroke	primary
Saturn	mushroom	New York	motor	mount	stubborn	process
saucer	mustache	nimble	muffler	munch	stumble	professor
scent	naughty	nucleus	mummy	museum	submarine	proofread
schedule	nephew	nurse	mystery	myth	substance	protest
scream	neutron	nylon	necessary	narrow	sufficient	prowl
screw	niece	object	nibble	native	suffix	pulse
seafood	North	okay	nobody	necklace	super	pumpkin

	America					
secret	nozzle	opposite	nudge	Neptune	suppose	purpose
secrete	numeral	ordinary	observe	nickel	surround	qualify
sensitive	nuzzle	ornament	offer	nightmare	swallow	queen
sentence	oblong	otter	ooze	notch	swan	quiver
several	Ohio	outskirts	orbit	notice	sway	radish
sharp	opinion	pantry	organ	numb	sweater	rapid
shawl	orchestra	paragraph	ornery	oasis	switch	raspberry
shepherd	outfit	participate	ought	occupation	syllable	razor
shoot	overhead	partridge	overalls	office	tablespoon	reason
shorthand	padlock	patient	pacific	olive	tablet	recognize
shrink	pageant	peace	papoose	operate	tease	regular
sierra	palace	peacock	parallelogram	orchard	teenager	remember
sight	paraffin	peer	particular	organize	telegraph	reply
silver	parenthesis	Pennsylvania	passage	ostrich	telescope	research
siren	parka	perennial	patio	outdoors	tender	reveal
petal	peak	pajamas	tennis	reward	report	relief
petunia	pelican	parable	texture	rifle	reservoir	remove
photosynthesis	perfume	parcel	therefore	rodeo	revoke	repeat
pilot	perhaps	partner	thimble	rough	rhinoceros	reptile
pinwheel	pheasant	pasture	though	rural	route	respond
pistil	phrase	patrol	Thus	sawmill	ruffle	revolution
planetarium	piano	pearl	tickle	scale	Sahara	rinse
plaza	pistol	pedal	timid	scold	sandal	ripple
plenty	plaster	penetrate	tinfoil	scoot	saxophone	robot
poison	plural	perimeter	tiresome	screen	scoop	routine
pollute	policy	permit	tissue	screwdriver	scout	rubber

poppy	polite	Philadelphia	tomahawk	section	scribble	runaway
popular	polygon	piccolo	tongue	secure	seize	saddle
portfolio	porch	pigeon	towel	separate	serious	sake
postpone	porcupine	pillar	trace	series	sermon	satin
pound	position	pitcher	trademark	shale	shade	scarf
preach	posture	plateau	trailer	shave	shallow	scowl
prefix	praise	Pluto	trash	sherbet	shine	scrapbook
pretend	precious	pollen	treble	sheriff	shorts	scripture
principal	preposition	poncho	triangle	signature	shoulders	seaweed
procrastinate	prince	porpoise	tribe	simple	shuffle	seldom
pronoun	prism	positive	tricycle	skeleton	silent	select
property	product	poultry	trombone	slender	silverware	serve
prove	pronounce	precipitation	troop	smear	situation	sewer
public	proton	prevent	truth	smooth	skinny	shadow
punch	provide	prison	tuba	snoop	skyscraper	shelf
punish	publish	problem	tunnel	soap	snooze	shipment
purse	punctuate	program	twine	softball	sober	shiver
putter	pupil	proper	twinkle	soldier	soggy	shove
quarantine	pyramid	protrude	umbrella	solve	somersault	sideburns
quotient	quarrel	pulley	underneath	sore	source	sidewalk
railroad	quicksand	puncture	unicorn	South Dakota	Spain	similar
rattle	racer	puppet	uniform	spaghetti	spatula	single
realize	raisin	puzzle	universe	spark	special	skein
recess	rather	quadrilateral	upright	spectacles	sphere	skittish
recover	rattlesnake	quartet	upward	spiral	spook	slight
regard	receipt	quite	Uranus	sponsor	sprout	slowpoke
relax	recite	raccoon	usual	spread	square	sneak

remark	redcoat	railway	vacant	squat	squaw	sneeze
remind	region	reach	valley	squeeze	stable	snore
value	stalk	stall	soccer	splinter	worth	willow
vapor	starfish	starve	solar	spoil	wreath	wound
vary	steadfast	steady	somewhat	sputter	yawn	wrestle
vegetation	steeple	stockade	souvenir	squeak	yeast	zebra
veil	steer	stomach	space	squirt	wheel	trundle
veranda	stocking	stretch	spangle	stairs	whinny	woodpecker
veterinarian	straight	structure	spear	weary	worse	scene
vibrate	streak	student	speech	whiff	wrinkle	scramble
view	stripe	succeed	spice	whimper	receive	scrape
village	stroll	suggest	splice	whoop	rectangle	search
vinegar	torch	sundae	snore	wicker	reduce	secretary
violet	tortoise	superior	spur	widow	regret	senor
volcano	trade	suspect	squawk	total	religion	sense
voyage	trickle	swear	squirm	touch	represent	settle
vulture	trophy	sweep	stagecoach	troll	respect	sewage
wade	turnip	sword	stallion	trousers	responsible	shampoo
waffle	ukulele	synonym	statue	tulip	rhyme	share
waiter	umpire	tackle	stew	tumble	riddle	shelter
waltz	union	tardy	stingy	teeter	royal	shortening
wasp	unless	teaspoon	stone	telephone	rustle	shrimp
watermelon	urgent	teepee	stopwatch	temper	salary	sideways
wealth	vacation	termite	straw	walrus	satellite	simile
weather	vampire	terrible	struggle	weasel	satisfy	slave
wedge	vehicle	terrier	study	wham	scatter	slumber
whack	velvet	thaw	sturdy	taupe	steal	social

wharf	Venus	thermometer	suitcase	team	sticker	solid
wheat	vessel	thistle	supermarket	telegram	stool	sonar
wheelbarrow	video	thousand	supply	temperature	strain	soybean
wheelchair	vine	thread	suspender	temple	stride	spaniel
whether	violin	thrill	sweat	territory	strike	species
whine	vocabulary	tight	symbol	terror	subject	typewriter
whirl	volume	tights	synthesis	thief	suffer	United States
whistle	vowel	tinsel	talent	thorax	support	whoosh
whole	waddle	Tokyo	tassel	thunder	surface	wilderness
tough	worship	staple	trail	tomato	system	windmill
traffic	worst	trampoline	treasure	touchdown	tambourine	within
trinket	wizard	trapeze	tremble	trio	youth	xylophone

## Grade 5 & 6

abroad	absence	abundant	accident	accomplish	faulty
according	accurate	accuse	acquaint	activity	fierce
actually	adapt	additional	addresses	admission	flannel
admonish	advantage	adventure	advise	affect	fondly
afford	afterward	agency	agony	agreement	foresee
aisle	album	allegiance	allowance	allowed	forward
ally	almanac	aloud	alternate	altogether	freight
aluminum	ambush	amiss	amounting	amplify	furious
analysis	ancient	animate	annual	antelope	garbage
anxious	apologize	appear	applicant	appoint	gloomy
appreciate	approval	argument	arithmetic	arouse	governor
arrangement	arriving	arrogant	article	artistic	graphic

ascend	ashamed	assembly	assignment	assistant	favorable
associate	assume	astonish	attached	attention	figure
attentive	attitude	attractive	authorize	automatic	floating
available	aviator	awaiting	awfully	background	forage
backward	bacteria	baggage	balance	bankrupt	forgotten
banquet	baptism	barely	bargain	barrel	fought
bass	bearing	behalf	beneath	besides	friendship
betray	beverage	biceps	biscuit	bladder	furnish
bleach	blossom	bouquet	bronco	brutal	garment
buffet	bulletin	burglar	burial	buried	goadng
bushel	business	cafeteria	calling	campaign	gradual
campus	canal	canceling	cannon	cancer	grasshopper
candid	canine	canning	canoe	caption	feast
cardinal	carriage	carton	casually	cavern	finally
cedar	ceiling	cement	certain	certificate	flows
chapel	charter	chasing	chatter	cheaper	forbidden
cheerful	chemical	childhood	chimney	chorus	former
chosen	chronicle	circular	citizen	civilian	foundation
clarinet	classify	clever	client	clothes	frightened
coalition	coffee	collection	college	collide	furnace
combination	comfortable	command	commend	committed	gasoline
commotion	community	comparing	compass	compete	goodness
complaint	compound	compress	conclude	condition	graduate
conduct	confide	confuse	congress	conserve	grateful
considered	constant	construction	contrary	contrast	fellow
convention	conversation	conviction	cooperate	copper	finance
counsel	courtesy	covered	coyote	critical	flying

crossing	curious	curtain	cylinder	dangerous	force
darling	declared	decorated	deduct	default	forth
defy	delightful	deliveries	democrat	densely	fountain
depart	dependent	deport	depot	depress	function
descend	description	designate	dessert	determine	further
difference	digest	dilated	directory	disappear	geography
disaster	discharge	discount	discovery	discussion	gossip
disease	dishonest	disposal	dissipate	distill	grain
distribute	distrust	divisible	donation	doubtful	grief
drainage	duplicate	during	dying	dynamite	festival
earnest	earthquake	education	effective	element	finicky
eligible	elsewhere	embrace	employment	enable	folklore
enchant	encounter	encourage	enforce	engage	foreign
engineering	enlist	enormous	equipment	equipped	fortune
eruption	especially	essential	evaporate	eventual	fragrant
everyone	evidence	exactly	examination	excellent	funeral
exception	excitement	exclusive	exempt	exhale	garage
exhausted	exhibit	expect	expel	expensive	geranium
experience	experiment	explosive	expose	expression	government
extension	facial	faculty	falter	fantastic	granular
groan	guarantee	guide	guitar	gymnasium	grieve
happened	happiest	happily	happiness	hazard	speed
headache	headquarters	Health	heaven	heir	statement
heritage	herself	hesitation	high school	highway	stayed
honest	honor	hostage	housekeeping	however	straight
hundredth	hunter	hygiene	ignorance	illustration	struck
image	imagination	imagine	immediately	importance	substance

impregnable	improvement	including	increasing	indeed	sunlight
independent	Index	indicate	industry	information	sustain
injury	Inquired	Insert	instance	instantly	tardy
insult	interested	interior	introduced	invitation	temporary
iodine	Island	Items	jagged	joined	theory
journal	juggle	junction	junior	justice	throttle
keen	kindergarten	kindness	knowledge	language	timber
lasso	lawyer	lead	league	lengthy	tongue
lettuce	level	license	liniment	liquid	toward
local	logical	lonely	lonesome	machines	transmit
magazine	magician	main	manufacture	marathon	trophy
married	mascot	material	meant	measure	twinge
medicine	member	mention	metal	minister	uphold
mistake	misunderstand	moment	monarch	mourn	valor
movie	museum	narrow	nasal	native	specify
nature	necessary	neck	nephew	nomad	squirrel
objection	obliged	observe	occurred	odorous	status
official	onion	operation	opinion	opportunity	stoop
opposite	oral	orchard	orchestra	orders	strike
organization	organizing	origami	originally	otherwise	submit
ought	ourselves	outline	ownership	pacifist	suggestion
pains	palace	paragraph	pardon	parents	survey
peaceful	peer	period	permission	person	tapestry
physical	pier	pivot	planning	pleasant	television
pleasure	podiatrist	poetry	poison	popular	texture
population	port	position	positive	possibly	throat
pottery	poultry	pour	powerful	practical	tight

practicing	prairie	preparing	preserve	presidency	tone
pressure	previous	priest	principle	printed	tourist
private	probably	proclaim	proctor	producing	tragic
production	professional	profile	projector	prominent	tremor
promises	proof	proper	protection	proverb	twilight
public	pulley	qualify	quality	quarrel	untie
quickly	quotable	radiance	rate	ratio	vacation
ration	reaction	readily	reality	realized	specialist
received	refer	refine	reflex	regard	spontaneous
registration	regretting	regularly	reject	rejuvenate	statue
religious	remembered	remnant	removed	rendered	steel
repair	replying	represent	reptile	reputable	strictly
requires	research	resign	responsible	restore	sublime
retail	reverse	review	rightful	rigid	suddenly
ritual	rivalry	roast	rocky	role	surround
rouge	sailors	salmon	salvage	sample	tantrum
satisfactory	satisfied	savagery	scarce	scattered	telephone
scenery	schedule	scheme	screen	scroll	textbook
secondary	section	seeking	selection	semester	thoughts
senator	senior	sensible	sentimental	separate	ticket
serpent	serrated	service	several	sheaf	token
shoulders	shovel	showed	shrewd	shrivel	tough
siege	signature	simply	sincerely	situation	tradition
sleigh	slippery	slogan	slowly	smooth	treasure
society	softly	solar	soldier	sole	turning
solitary	solution	somehow	sought	source	university
southern	slow	thigh	therefore	valuable	utility

spinal	splice	thus	throughout	vegetables	vary
static	stationary	toil	tissue	violate	vigilant
steam	steed	torment	tonsil	visited	visible
strangle	strategy	tower	towel	weather	wealthy
studio	subject	traveling	transportation	whiten	whether
subtle	successful	Truant	tropical	wiring	windmill
superintendent	surplus	unison	various	workers	wondered
system	tantalize	usually	victory	wound	worthy
taunt	telegraph	zucchini	virtual	willing	zoning
tennis	terror	variety	vow	wolves	withered
weave	value	version	whatever	worship	worried
wholesale	vehicle	Violin	wisely	yourself	yacht
weight	violent	volcano	workmanship	wield	vocal
			writing		

## Elementary School Champion Run Off Grades 3-5

1. **Accolade** n. great praise. The drama coach gave the cast **accolades** from their performances.

2. **Alleviate** v. to relieve, lessen or make more bearable. Nurses gave the patient medication after surgery to **alleviate** her pain.
3. **Archaic** a. no longer used or applicable; ancient. The words thou and thee were once common but now are **archaic**.
4. **Bizarre** a. extremely strange or odd. The man looked **bizarre** dressed in a winter coat on a warm summer day.
5. **Caricature** n. a representation in which distinctive traits are exaggerated or distorted for comic effect. **Caricatures** of the late Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev usually included ridiculously bushy eyebrows.
6. **Circumstance** n. condition affecting someone or something. Considering the difficult **circumstances** she has had to work under, she has done a remarkable job.
7. **Contagious** a. able to spread from one person to another. I stayed home from school until my flu was no longer **contagious**.
8. **Corroborate** v. to support with new facts or evidence; to confirm. Five additional experiments **corroborate** the original finding.
9. **Delectable** adj. something that is delectable is very delicious. My mother is making a **delectable** cake for my birthday party.
10. **Destitute** a. very poor; without anything. The Great Depression of the 1930s left many people **destitute**.
11. **Diminutive** adj. something that is diminutive is very small. The **diminutive** Chihuahua is the smallest breed of dog in the world.
12. **Epicure** n. a person with refined taste, especially in food and drink. The **epicure** rejected the waiter's suggestions of a cheeseburger and ordered a fine steak.
13. **Formidable** a. inspiring fear or awe; fearsome. In World War II, the Allies defeated **formidable** foes.
14. **Frivolous** a. not worth serious attention; trivial, silly. Games may be **frivolous** pastimes, but they are fun.
15. **Genre** n. a type of literature or art. **Genres** of literature include fiction, nonfiction, poetry and drama.
16. **Guerrilla** n. a soldier in a small, unofficial army that fights by surprise attack. The **guerilla** hid in the forest, waiting for enemy forces to approach before launching an offensive.
17. **Hypothesis** n. a theory; an educated guess that can be tested by further investigation. The results of the experiment supported the scientist's **hypothesis**.
18. **Imperative** a. necessary; commanded. It's **imperative** that we have a good map before we head out into the desert.
19. **Iridescent** a. having shiny, rainbow-like colors. Many butterflies have jewel-like, **iridescent** wings.
20. **Judicial** a. related to courts, judges and trials. The highest court in the U.S. **judicial** system is the Supreme Court.
21. **Larceny** n. the crime of stealing. Shoplifting is a common form of **larceny**.
22. **Laudable** a. worthy or praise and honor. Volunteering at an annual shelter is a **laudable** activity.
23. **Loathe** v. hating intensely; I **loathe** waiting in line at the supermarket.

24. **Malicious** a. deliberately harmful; done with a desire to harm or cause suffering. The **malicious** computer hacker disabled the hospital record-keeping system.
25. **Maneuver** n. a skillful action, move or plan. The dancer tried a new **maneuver** using a cane and a top hat.
26. **Nemesis** n. a source of harm or ruin; an opponent that cannot be defeated. A harsh winter proved to be the **nemesis** of the invading army.
27. **Obstinate** a. stubborn. Despite his mother's best efforts to persuade him, the **obstinate** child refused to eat any vegetables.
28. **Opaque** a. completely blocking light. The thick window shades were **opaque**.
29. **Paralysis** n. loss of ability to move the body or certain parts of the body. Polio often causes **paralysis** of the legs.
30. **Penitent** a. regretful; sorry for a bad deed. The penitent child apologized for breaking the lamp.
31. **Plagiarize** v. to copy the words or ideas of another person and claim they are your own. Don't **plagiarize** by copying whole paragraphs from a book or article.
32. **Protégé** n. a person who is helped by a more experienced or powerful person. The professional violinist was thrilled when her **protégé** won first prize in the young artists' competition.
33. **Resonant** a. having a strong, deep sound. A **resonant** voice is a quality valued in radio announcers.
34. Retrieval
35. **Revitalize** v. to give new life or vigor. A good watering **revitalized** the plants in the yard.
36. **Saunter** v. to walk in a slow, relaxed manner. Couples sauntered along the beach, enjoying the beautiful sunset.
37. **Scurry** v. To run hurriedly with quick, short steps. The mice scurried away from the cat.
38. **Semantics** n. the study of meaning and word interpretation. Writers and other people who work with words are usually interested in **semantics**.
39. **Serenade** n. a musical piece expressing love or the desire to honor someone. He sang a **serenade** to his beloved, who listened from the balcony.
40. **Siege** n. the act of soldiers surrounding a place and cutting off its supplies in an attempt to capture it. Expecting a **siege**, the soldiers at the fort had piled up supplies.
41. **Strenuous** a. requiring great effort. Moving a grand piano is a **strenuous** task.
42. **Symphony** n. a long piece of music written for an orchestra. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra performed Beethoven's' Fifth **Symphony**.
43. **Thwart** v. to prevent from taking place; frustrate; block. A swarm of bees **thwarted** our plans for a picnic.
44. **Treacherous** a. dangerous; having unknown dangers. We couldn't go sailing because the seas were too **treacherous**.
45. **Zodiac** n. an imaginary belt in the heavens extending about 8 degrees on either side of the apparent path of the sun and the paths of the moon and planets: it is divided in to 12 equal parts / signs each named for a different constellation

## Grades 7 & 8

stretch	drifting	crawl	migrate	momentum	probably
pivot	escapement	intercept	ballistic	trespass	propaganda
leisurable	stampede	rampage	gesture	immobilize	quipped
accelerate	precession	kick	pitch	speedball	religious
foil	poker	touchdown	touchline	bunker	responsible
service	inning	soccer	umpire	blitz	said
tennis	stalemate	rookie	quarterback	dribble	schedule
champion	volley	birdie	substitute	handicap	signature
archery	penalty	offensive	duplicate	offensive	society
duplicate	marathon	sacrifice	wrestle	backgammon	stationary
strategy	tournament	badminton	solitaire	billiards	strength
roulette	croquet	condemn	plague	petition	studying
gratitude	discrimination	deceive	threshold	brethren	superintendent
conscience	suspicion	apathy	agitation	havoc	proposal
fugitives	benign	supremacy	succeeding	peaceable	realtor
disarmament	aggressor	arsenal	martial	propaganda	remember
privileges	ligament	vigilant	emancipation	accurate	restaurant
deserts	ceiling	volunteered	governess	principal	sandwich
pathetic	wreckage	nonchalantly	anxiously	flourishes	secretary
occasionally	bustling	crystal	subdued	accustomed	-significance
wheezed	superfluous	nonexistent	ominous	mosquito	soluble
quizzically	emphatically	procrastinating	noticeable	grievances	stationery
recommended	exaggeration	marriage	attachable	collage	strictly
tendon	gravitational	lamine	coalition	accumulate	suburban
junction	umbilical	tenacious	mortar	contiguous	surprise
aggregate	cocoon	antennae	species	exoskeleton	thought

predator	phylum	metamorphosis	herbivorous	insectivorous	tomorrow
entomologist	ghostly	mischievous	pigeon	mourning	Tuesday
arrogance	eloquence	vulnerable	melancholy	authoritative	unfortunate
embarrassment	conscientious	Connecticut	Armageddon	Australian	vacuum
Byzantine	Norwegian	Mississippian	Islamic	Algerian	Wednesday
Amazon	European	Egyptian	Babylonian	Mediterranean	written
Buddhism	Swahili	remedy	stagnant	tyrant	thousandth
nightingale	vagabonds	phenomenon	luminous	paralysis	tragedy
debris	malady	amnesia	nausea	coronary	twelfth
hepatitis	laceration	leprosy	arthritis	jaundice	until
tetanus	cataract	bronchitis	seizure	hypertension	vertical
trauma	influenza	Varicose	meningitis	diabetes	weird
rubella	tuberculosis	osteoporosis	dyslexia	malaria	yield
gingivitis	glaucoma	villain	warrant	rustling	through
bribery	criminology	electrocution	execution	commitment	transferred
burglary	rehabilitation	amnesty	autopsy	manslaughter	tyranny
sabotage	perpetrator	conspiracy	commutation	apprehend	used to
homicide	genocide	penology	exonerate	embezzlement	villain
corroboration	misdemeanor	incarceration	assassination	misconception	woman
passionately	impressive	pursuit	dilated	characteristic	Thursday
enlightened	procedure	confidence	endurance	actuality	traveled
verbally	preparations	hesitant	intolerable	curiosity	unanimous
physically	suspiciously	potentially	appropriate	compulsion	useful
rhythm	gorgeous	outrageous	magnificently	enthusiastic	visibility
anxieties	delinquent	uncooperative	concussion	preliminary	women
bacteriology	innocent	vocalize	spectacular	relinquished	truly
tangible	neurological	jeopardize	fascinate	fascist	undoubtedly

favorite	February	finally	financially	forty	usually
fulfill	government	governor	guarantee	guarantee	vitamin
happened	height	hero	heroes	horizontal	writing
humorous	illogical	imaginary	immediately	independent	repetition
indispensable	individual	influence	influential	inoculate	reversible
intelligent	interest	interruption	invariably	Irresistible	satellite
January	jewelry	judgment	knowledgeable	label	seize
laboratory	latter	leisurely	length	license	significant
literature	lonely	luxury	magnificent	maintain	someone
maintenance	maneuver	marriage	maybe	meant	statistics
minutes	missile	mortgage	mountain	mysterious	stubbornness
necessary	negotiate	nickel	ninety	notary public	succeed
noticeable	nuclear	nuisance	occasion	occurrence	swimming
occurring	omission	opportunity	oppressed	optimistic	themselves
paid	parallel	parameter	paroled	particle	responsibility
particularly	pastime	peculiar	performance	perimeter	sacrifice
permanent	permissible	pleasant	poison	politician	scarcity
pollute	possession	possible	practically	precede	September
precedent	preceding	preference	prescription	privilege	skiing
rhythm	procedure	proceed	professor	pronunciation	speech
Saturday	tendency	psychology	psychiatry	questionnaire	strategy
separate	tension	received	recommend	rehearsal	studies
sincerely	technicality	summarized	representative	thorough	studied
souvenir	therefore	technique	success	together	straight

## Part 1V Grades 6-8

### Middle School

### Middle School Champion Run Off

### Grades 6-8

1. **Acrimonious** a. bitter or sharp in language or tone. The students' disagreement over the theme of the senior trip became so **acrimonious** that the faculty adviser called an end to the meeting.
2. **Acronym** n. a word formed from the first letter of each word in a series. PAC is an **acronym** for political action committee.
3. **Aegis** n. protection; sponsorship; guidance. Kameela attended college under the **aegis** of the Public Arts Foundation, which gave her a scholarship and money to cover her living expense.
4. **Aggrandize** v. to make greater in power, influence, stature or reputation. Ahmad **aggrandized** his business by acquiring another company.
5. **Appraisal** n. evaluation or estimation of worth. I will need an official **appraisal** of my house before I can sell it.
6. **Ambiguous** a. unclear; having more than one interpretation. The mayor's **ambiguous** answer left the journalist with more questions.
7. **Antithesis** n. the direct or exact opposite. With his sloppy work habits and poor people skills, Shareef was the **antithesis** of a good office assistant.
8. **Arbitrary** a. based upon impulse or random chance, rather than on reason. Choosing an answer that is your lucky number is an **arbitrary** way to solve a math problem.
9. **Astute** a. having shrewd judgment; observant, clever and cunning. The **astute** employee knew that being well liked might help him get promoted.
10. **Austerity** n. severe and rigid restrictions, especially those brought about by difficult economic times. During World War II, wartime **austerity** included limits on the amount of gas and food people could buy.
11. **Beneficiary** n. a person or an institution receiving help or an advantage. We are **beneficiaries** of the scientific advances of the past century.
12. **Benevolent** a. wishing to do good; kindly; characterized by helpful intentions. Breeding programs at many zoos have the **benevolent** goal of saving endangered species from extinction.
13. **Capillary** n. any of the tiny blood vessels that connect the smallest arteries to the smallest veins. If you cut your finger, the **capillaries** there will contract to help slow the bleeding.
14. **Circumlocution** n. the use of unnecessarily wordy and indirect language. Trying to be humorous, the man referred

to his wife by using the **circumlocutory** “she to whom I am married.”

15. **Colloquial** a. typical of informal language usage; conversational. “Hi” and “What’s up?” are **colloquial** expressions for “Hello” and “How are you?”
16. **Commensurate** a. corresponding in size or degree; proportionate. His large office was **commensurate** with the power of his position as chief executive.
17. **Complaisant** a. wanting to please; willing to do what pleases others; cheerfully obliging. The **complaisant** six-year-old played every game her friend suggested.
20. **Connoisseur** n. a knowledgeable person who appreciates high quality, especially in such areas as the arts or fine dining. An art **connoisseur** could probably tell you whether that painting in your attic is worth a lot of money.
21. **Convalescence** n. gradual return to health and strength after an illness or other problem. Considering his advanced age, Talha’s **convalescence** was surprisingly short.
22. **Convolutèd** a. twisted or complicated. Why take that **convolutèd** path when there is one that goes straight to the house.
23. **Conscientious** a. careful, thorough and hardworking. A proofreader must be **conscientious**, or errors will be published.
24. **Copious** a. plentiful; abundant. The famous author receives **copious** amounts of fan mail.
25. **Cosmopolitan** a. sophisticated; possessing knowledge of many countries and topics. With his knowledge of African, Asian and European cultures the **cosmopolitan** businessman could work just about anywhere.
18. **Conciliatory** a. peacemaking; appeasing; intended to overcome distrust, animosity, or conflict. To end the argument, Saudiyyah made a **conciliatory** gesture by offering to loan the CD to her little brother twice a week.
19. **Congruence** n. agreement, harmony, or correspondence. There is often a lack of **congruence** between the amount of money a movie makes and the quality of the reviews it gets.
26. **Dearth** n. a scarce supply; an insufficiency of. Experts worry that overfishing may cause a **dearth** of salmon.
27. **Decorum** n. appropriateness of behavior; propriety. Diplomats must act with **decorum** or they risk offending foreign officials and jeopardizing international relations.
28. **Depredation** n. a predatory attack; a raid. A **depredation** by an army of ants spoiled our picnic.
29. **Derogatory** a. insulting; belittling. Not realizing that Dawoud was standing behind him, Musa made a **derogatory** comment about his taste in clothes.
30. **Devious** a. meant to trick; not straightforward; shifty. It was rumored that the lawyer used **devious** means to win the case.
31. **Dexterity** n. skill and grace in physical movement. We marvel at the **dexterity** of the magician whose quick movements seem to make objects disappear and reappear.
32. **Diagnosis** n. the identification of a disease or other condition. After a thorough examination, the doctor offered his **diagnosis**: pneumonia.

33. **Didactic** a. intended to teach. We listened with some impatience to my aunt's **didactic** life stories.
34. **Diligence** n. steady effort; persistent hard work. Becoming a doctor requires intelligence, **diligence** and a caring nature.
35. **Diminutive** n. a suffix that indicates small size, youth, familiarity, affection, or contempt. Two common **diminutives** are -ette and -let.
36. **Disparage** v. to speak of in a disrespectful or slighting way; to belittle. The novice golfer felt discouraged after the instructor **disparaged** his efforts to hit the ball.
37. **Disparity** n. the condition or fact of being unequal or indifferent; inequality. The **disparity** between the wealth of the French nobility and the poverty of the masses eventually led to the French Revolution of 1789.
38. **Efficacy** n. effectiveness; the power to produce a result. A drastic reduction in smallpox cases highlighted the **efficacy** of Edward Jenner's vaccine.
39. **Elucidate** v. to explain or make clear. The textbook's chapter on calculus wasn't helpful, but our teacher's **elucidated** the principles quite clearly.
40. **Epidemiology** n. the branch of medicine that deals with the causes, spread, and control of disease in populations. Groundbreaking studies in **epidemiology** showed that cholera originates from drinking contaminated water.
41. **Epiphany** n. to appear; the sudden realization of or insight into an essential truth. News of my brother's accident triggered an **epiphany** about how important my family is to me.
42. **Esoteric** a. understood only by an elite, scholarly or exclusive group; obscure. The difference between 32-bit and 64-bit hardware seems **esoteric** to most people, but it dramatically affects computer games.
43. **Exonerate** v. to free from blame. The defendant was **exonerated** when the true culprit confessed.
44. **Facetious** a. playfully joking; humorous; not meant to be taken seriously. I was being **facetious** when I said that, in the future, people who can spell will not be allowed to use the Internet.
45. **Fastidious** a. possessing or displaying careful attention to detail. He was so **fastidious** about keeping his room clean that his mother had to tell him, "One sock in the wrong place won't kill you."
46. **Fictitious** a. false or fake; adopted or assumed in order to deceive. The actress signed a **fictitious** name in the hotel guest book.
47. **Finesse** v. to achieve a goal or handle a situation with subtle skill. I don't know how he managed to **finesse** his way into that fancy party; he wasn't invited.
48. **Finicky** a. difficult to please; insisting on getting exactly what one wants. Young children are often **finicky** eaters, uncomfortable with trying different kinds of food.
49. **Flamboyant** a. showy, flashy, vivid or dramatic. The **flamboyant** hip-hop star arrived, wearing gobs of jewelry and a five thousand dollar outfit.
50. **Fortuitous** a. happening by lucky accident; by chance. It was **fortuitous** that the parade route changed and passed right in front of our hotel.
51. **Gargantuan** a. gigantic; of immense size, volume, or capacity. The **gargantuan** skyscraper towered above the city.

52. **Grandiose** a. trying to seem important; characterized by pretended grandeur. Akbar's **grandiose** talk of his high-powered connections in Bollywood couldn't hide the fact that he was a struggling actor.
53. **Gratuitous** a. unnecessary; unjustified. According to the critic, the film was filled with **gratuitous** violence that served no purpose in the plot.
54. **Hegemony** n. dominance, especially that of a country, region or group over others. Historians point out that, just as with anything else, the economic and military **hegemony** of the United States will not last forever.
55. **Heterogeneous** a. consisting of many different elements or types; varied. The **heterogeneous** range of music at the festival included classical, folk and hip hop.
56. **Hilarity** n. great merriment; extreme amusement. The silly costumes and jokes added to the **hilarity** of the gathering.
57. **Idiosyncrasy** n. an unusual habit of one particular person. One of Akbar's **idiosyncrasies** in humming whenever he becomes nervous.
58. **Impugn** v. to attack or challenge as false or questionable. In an effort to win the race, the congressional candidate **impugned** his opponent's voting record, calling it favorable to special interest.
59. **Innocuous** a. harmless; not likely to offend anyone. Is playing video games an **innocuous** way to spend time, or can it provoke violent behavior.
60. **Innuendo** n. an indirect or subtle expression, usually negative; a hint. Through masterful **innuendo**, she managed to make everyone think that Mr. Mattheiu was the culprit, without ever accusing him directly.
61. **Juxtaposition** n. placement side by side or close by. When placed in **juxtaposition**, it was clear which painting was a Monet and which one was a fake.
62. **Masquerade** v. to disguise oneself; to put on a false or deceptive appearance. The stowaway **masqueraded** as a member of the ship's crew.
63. **Mediocre** a. moderate to inferior in quality; ordinary. Much to his fans' dismay, the hip-hop star gave only a **mediocre** performance.
64. **Meticulous** a. extremely careful and precise. Plotting a large ship's course through narrow, hazardous waterways requires **meticulous** work.
65. **Metonymy** n. a figure of speech that substitutes a word with a different but closely associated word. The sentence "Washington's official response was negative" includes a **metonymy**; the word Washington is substituted for the U.S. government.
66. **Nuance** n. a subtle or slight degree of difference. Khadijah's talent for capturing **nuances** of voice and gesture enabled her to do wonderful imitations of famous people.
67. **Negligible** a. not enough to be worth considering; insignificant. Don't expect to do well on the test after the **negligible** amount of studying you have done!
68. **Notoriety** n. fame for something negative; infamy. The newspaper reporter earned **notoriety** for writing about events that never really happened.
69. **Oligarchy** n. government by a few, especially by a small faction of people or families. An **oligarchy** does not grant the rights of democracy to the common people.

70. **Omniscient** a. having total knowledge; knowing everything. In many books, an **omniscient** narrator tells the story.
71. **Opulence** n. wealth; affluence. We were astonished by the **opulence** of King's Louis XIV's palaces at Versailles.
72. **Pallor** n. extreme or unnatural paleness. Symptoms of anemia include weakness and **pallor**.
73. **Paucity** n. smallness of number; fewness; scarcity. The paucity of facts on William Shakespeare's life, biographies about him are often products of hearsay and the authors' imaginations.
74. **Pecuniary** a. having to do with money. While social work may not bring large **pecuniary** rewards, it provides the satisfaction that comes from helping people.
75. **Pedagogue** n. the art or profession of teaching. The Swiss **pedagogue** Jean Piaget influenced educators all over the world with his insights into the development of logic in children.
76. **Plethora** n. to be full; an excess of something; great abundance. We had a **plethora** of desserts because seven people brought cakes to the potluck dinner.
77. **Portmanteau word** n. a word formed by combining the sounds and meaning of two different words. Chunnel, a **portmanteau word** formed from channel and tunnel, is the name for the tunnel that runs underneath the English Channel.
78. **Precarious** a. dangerous; risky; lacking in security or stability. Realizing their situation was **precarious**, most people tried to stay in their homes during the political rebellion.
79. **Precocious** a. showing unusually early development or maturity. The **precocious** student graduated from medical school at the age of twenty-one.
80. **Proliferate** v. to multiply, increase, or spread rapidly. Specialized branches of medicine have **proliferated** during the last century.
81. **Prosaic** a. dull; ordinary; lacking in imagination and spirit. Imaginative colors and designs can turn a **prosaic** item like a T-shirt into a work of art.
82. **Provincial** a. relating to areas that are far from large cities or capitals. The **provincial** governments controlled land use in their respective regions.
83. **Quandary** n. state of uncertainty or puzzlement. Hussain was in a complete **quandary** about how to move the huge sofa up the narrow stairway.
84. **Raconteur** n. a person who tells stories and relates incidents, with skill and wit. Most sheiks and imams are natural **raconteurs** who use stories to communicate important messages.
85. **Repository** n. a safe place for storage. The museum was a **repository** for ancient Mesopotamian artifacts.
86. **Reverie** n. to dream; a daydream; daydreaming; deep thought. The doorbell shattered Maryam's **reverie** about being a champion ice skater.
87. **Spontaneity** n. voluntarily; the quality of following personal impulse rather than outside influences or planning. Known for her **spontaneity**, Isabella often invited her friends over for spur-of-the-moment parties.
88. **Sovereign** a. self-governing; independent. Many former British colonies became **sovereign** nations during the middle part of the twentieth century.

89. **Stratagem** n. a cunning scheme meant to trick or deceive. The undercover officer used the **stratagem** of posing as a criminal in order to catch the thieves in the act of the robbery.
90. **Susceptible** a. likely to be infected or made ill. Young children and the elderly are particularly **susceptible** to new viruses.
91. **Tantamount** a. equivalent in significance, effect or value. The attack on the territory was **tantamount** to a declaration of war.
92. **Totalitarian** a. relating to a form of government with absolute and centralized control over every aspect of people's lives. George Orwell's novel 1984 depicts a **totalitarian** state, in which even people's thoughts are controlled.
93. **Trepidation** n. anxiety; a state of alarm, dread, or fear. Unfortunately, many students approach college entrance exams with **trepidation**.
94. **Unequivocal** a. perfectly clear; leaving no room for doubt or misunderstanding. Musa answered the question with an **unequivocal** "Yes!"
95. **Usurp** v. to take and hold power or rights by force and without legal authority. The rebels **usurped** control by taking over the palace, the main roads, and the airwaves.
96. **Vehement** a. showing intense emotion or passion; forceful. The conservationist was **vehement** in protesting the practice of logging in the national park.
97. **Verbose** a. using or containing too many words; excessively wordy. Long descriptions in eighteenth-century literature may seem **verbose** to today's readers.

98. **Veracity** n. truthfulness or accuracy; conformity to fact or truth. The **veracity** of his testimony was supported by other evidence.
99. **Whimsical** a. playful or unpredictable. My **whimsical** aunt Sakeenah regularly traveled to exotic places on the spur of the moment.
100. **Witticism** n. a clever remark or saying. Nuh is famous for his **witticisms**.

## Part V Grades 9-12 High School

### Grade 9

Celanese	divisible	feasible	breakable
legible	noticeable	pliable	hazardous
parchment	atrocious	enormous	scrumptious
monstrous	numerous	previous	monotonous
vicious	feasible	orderliness	dictionary
thesaurus	inspect	language	aficionado
acerbity	bouquet	cuisine	maverick
pasteurize	Braille	boycott	vandalism
analogy	saxophone	temperature	prejudice
precaution	cliché	posterity	antagonism
antiseptic	coincidence	coordinate	abstinence
acquiescent	abate	abhorrent	ambivalent

ancestral	adage	aggrandize	animosity
vengeance	assiduous	antiquated	necessity
demonstrate	abbreviation	tendency	genuine
mechanism	desolate	specified	athletics
premium	eligible	contemporary	briefly
susceptible	appreciated	guarantee	vigorous
acknowledge	precinct	digestive	announced
comparison	admiration	ambassador	canvas
cassette	commissioner	colleges	canister
calamity	certified	bureau	coincidence
compensate	cinema	characteristic	crimson
excursion	conscience	controversy	elapsed
frontier	disputable	dilapidated	foliage
fugitive	enthusiasm	extravagance	humorist

1. abstemious (ab-stee-me-us), adjective To eat plain and simple food in moderation, avoiding over-indulgence in drink and gluttony at the table. Gandhi led an **abstemious** life.
2. acculturation (ah-kul-cherry-AYE-shin), noun The process of adapting to a different culture. Just because sushi makes me queasy, doesn't mean I'm opposed to **acculturation**.
3. acrimonious (ah-kri-MOAN-ee-us), adjective angry; bitter; disputed. When her washing machine broke down for the fifth time, Kim wrote an **acrimonious** letter to the manufacturer.
4. aesthetic (es-THEH-tic), adjective Relating to beauty and the appreciation of beauty. Covering your walls with

pictures torn from the newspaper will probably not produce a genuine **aesthetic** effect.

5. anathema (ah-NA-theh-MA), noun Something so distasteful to you, so alien and foreign to your understanding, that you find it sickening and repellant—as if you were allergic to it. Religious services were an **anathema** to Russ, what with him being a dedicated atheist and all.
6. bibliomania ( BIB-lee-oh-MAY-nee-uh), noun A preoccupation with the acquisition and ownership of books. Laurin's **bibliomania** extends only to her stockpile of catalogs for exclusive shops.
7. bilious (BILL-yuss), adjective Having a nasty temperament or disagreeable disposition; to be “full of bile” and hatred. The polo team's **bilious** captain made his team miserable as he proceeded to criticize their every move.
8. braggadocio (brag-uh-DOH-see-oh), noun Empty boasting or bragging. Eric claims he is the best speller in the whole school, it is just **braggadocio**.
9. bucolic (byoo-KOL-ick), adjective A peaceful, serene, rural object, place, or environment. We bought a weekend place in a **bucolic** little village in the country.
10. bumptious (BUMP-shuss), adjective Loud and assertive in a crude way. The club's golf pro was fired due to his **bumptious** behavior on the links.

11. calumny (KAL-um-nee), noun The act of libel or slander; to besmirch a person's reputation by spreading false statements and rumors. **Calumny** will damage the character of the one guilty of it as well as the victim of it.
12. capacious (kuh-PAY-shus), adjective A huge open space; roomy; a large interior or room. All of our meetings take place in the golf club's **capacious** private auditorium.
13. captious (KAP-shus), adjective A petty individual who takes pleasure in pointing out the flaws in and mistakes made by others, no matter how small. Audrey is a **captious** individual eager to show others how smart she is, often by belittling them.
14. commodious (kah-MOW-dee-us), adjective Very spacious. Though **commodious**, the Johnsons' Cape Cod home is austere and lacks charm.
15. compendious (kuhm-PEN-dee-us), adjective. Concise, succinct; to the point. Rashidah is unable to tell **compendious** stories about her trips to Morocco.
16. debilitate (dih-BILL-uh-tayt), verb To make weak or feeble. Several hours on the polo fields are enough to **debilitate** even the most robust player.
17. deleterious (dell-ih-TEAR-ee-us), adjective Harmful; damaging. Smoking has been proven to have a **deleterious** effect on one's health.
18. dichotomy (die-KOT-uh-me), noun Division into two parts; especially into two seemingly contradictory parts. A

**dichotomy** between good and evil is present in every human heart.

19. dissimulate (diss-IHM-you-late), verb To hide one's feelings from another by using untruths. To know how to **dissimulate** is the knowledge of politicians.
20. dyslogistic (diz-luh-JISS-tick), adjective Showing disapproval or censure. We gave Elizabeth **dyslogistic** glances when she told us she had decided to stop shopping at Tiffany's.

## Grade 10

abundance	affinity	aphorism	ambivalent
amiable	anarchy	bohemian	bourgeoisie

beguiling	berate	cadaverous	callous
brusque	cacophony	charismatic	chattering
castigate	cessation	comatose	contemptuous
chromium	chronological	cultivate	debonair
deferential	delineation	denigrate	detritus
diabolic	dilatory	discernment	dictum
miscalculate	maintenance	recognition	mechanism
orchestra	mortgage	ridicule	optimistic
perishable	pamphlet	strenuous	poised
segregated	persuasion	predictable	reasonable
suggestions	psychology	vigorous	saturate
tremendous	subscription	endangered	substituted
vacuum	supplement	triathlon	torrent
wholly	unimaginable	demeanor	vacancies
prejudice	approximation	mitigate	voucher
diminutive	proclamation	recession	simplification
colloquial	spoonerism	pedagogy	transitory
patronize	didactic	equity	provincial
elucidate	pedantic	indoctrinate	remunerate
acrimonious	acronym	appraisal	aegis
aggrandize	ambiguous	antithesis	austerity
beneficiary	capillary	circumlocution	congruence
colloquy	conciliatory	dexterity	diagnosis
disparage	parallels	juxtaposition	plethora

21. enigmatic (en-ig-MATT-ik), adjective Mysterious, puzzling, and difficult to figure out. The **enigmatic** jewel thief stayed one step ahead of the police.
22. ensconce (en-SKONTS), verb To settle oneself warmly or snugly; or, to hide something in a secure place. Julia

likes to **ensconce** herself in a leather chair in the family's library and peruse recent catalogs.

23. ephemeral (eh-FEM-er-uhl), adjective Describes a short-lived condition, temporary event, or fleeting moment. Jason's good moods are **ephemeral** and too far in between.
24. epicurean (eh-pih-CURE-ee-an), noun Devoted to the enjoyment of good food and comfort. Mother's Thanksgiving meal at the Cape Cod compound was an annual **epicurean** delight.
25. erudite (AIR-yoo-dyte), adjective Sophisticated; well educated; deeply learned; knowledgeable; scholarly. Beneath his **Erudite** image, Dr. John Brinkley was a money-grubbing con man.
26. factitious (fack-TISH-uss), adjective Contrived; fabricated. At first, we thought the rumor **factitious**, but then we learned that Eleanor did get a face-lift.
27. farcical (FAR-sih-kuhl), adjective Ludicrous, absurd, or laughably inept. Tom's idea that he could play the cello while marching in a parade was downright **farcical**.
28. farouche (fah-ROSH), adjective To become sullen, shy, or withdrawn in the presence of company. His **farouche** demeanor gave people the impression that he didn't like them, when in fact, he was merely an introvert.
29. foible (FOY-bull), noun A small flaw, weakness, or defect. For all his flaws and **foibles**, Richard Nixon was perhaps

the most effective president on foreign policy in the twentieth century.

30. fortuitous (for-TOO-ih-tuss), adjective. A happy event taking place by accident or chance. The most **fortuitous** event in Bilal's life was meeting his wife Hafeeza.
31. gauche (GOHSH), adjective. Sorely lacking in the social graces and good manners; crude behavior. Jack wanted to join the country club, but his **gauche** demeanor caused him to be denied membership.
32. Gnosticism (NAH-stih-sih-zim), noun. The religious belief that salvation is attained through secret knowledge rather than through prayer, ritual, faith, divine grace, or good works. Many of the key principles of Christianity were formed as a direct response to **Gnosticism**.
33. gormandize (GORE-mun-dize), verb. To eat like a glutton, as if one is starving. Hazel tried not to **gormandize**, but her sister's meal was phenomenal.
34. gossamer (GAHSS-uh-muhr), adjective. Something delicate, light, and flimsy that will flutter in the slightest breeze. Butterflies flitted among the flowers on **gossamer** wings.
35. grandiloquent (grand-EL-oh-kwent), adjective. Having a pompous, overly inflated way of presenting oneself in speech and mannerism. Kareem boasted **grandiloquent** about his Spelling Bee trophies.
36. hagiography (hag-ee-OG-ruh-fee), noun. A biography that idealizes its subject. The Vanderbilts were quite pleased with the volume written about their ancestors being that it was a **hagiography**.
37. hellacious (hel-AYE-shus), adjective. Extremely brutal, violent, and severe. Madison's experience working in the corporate world was so **hellacious** that she decided to return to professional catering.
38. homeostasis (ho-me-oh-STAY-sis), noun. A dynamic system in which balance between input and output has been achieved, so no net changes take place. When **homeostasis** is achieved in a sealed biosphere, the animals and plants can live without outside air, food, or water.
39. hygroscopic (high-grow-SKOP-ick), adjective. Capable of absorbing moisture from the air. Prescription pills are often packed with a container of **hygroscopic** material to keep the drugs dry.
40. hypnopompic (hi-nuh-PAHM-pick), adjective. Having to do with the semiconscious state that precedes wakefulness. With all her partying at exclusive clubs, Angela spends most of the life in a **hypnopompic** state.
41. ideologue (EYE-dee-oh-log), noun. A person who rigidly adheres to an ideology with a closed mind regarding other points of view. Joan is an **ideologue** when it comes to her passion for animal rights.

42. ignominious (ig-no-MIN-ee-us) adjective Marked by failure or humiliation in public. After his **ignominious** defeat in the election, Frank never ran for Congress again.
43. imbroglio (im-BRO-lee-oh) noun. A predicament that is difficult to get out of; a “sticky situation.” Our inability to decide which New Year’s party to attend created an **imbroglio** that disrupted our social calendar for months.
44. impugn (ihm-PYOOON), verb. To attack as false or wrong. The school’s fair minded principal, does not **impugn** the motives of anyone who opposes his ideas.
45. incommensurable (in-co-MEN-ser-uh-bull), adjective. Two things that cannot be measured or judged by the same standards. This report is **incommensurable** with the earlier ones because of the different breakdowns of the data.
46. jactitation (jak-ti-TAY-shun), noun A false boast, especially one that is harmful to others. To impress her classmates, Sara claimed to be related to a famous actress. However, her **jactitation** was discovered and her peers returned to ignoring her.
47. jocund (JOE-kund), adjective. Having a lust for life; possessing a positive attitude and desire to enjoy life to the fullest. Ron’s **jocund** façade shattered when he found himself the victim of identity theft.
48. kaffeeklatsch (CAW-fee-klatch), noun. An informal social gathering, typically including coffee and gossip. Jeannette is not welcome at our **kaffeeklatsch** because she refuses to gossip about her social contacts.
49. kinesiology (kih-nee-see-OL-uh-jee), noun The science of muscles and their function, physical movement, and muscular development. As a bodybuilder, he studied both nutrition and **kinesiology**.
50. kyphosis (ki-FOE-sis) noun Excessive curvature of the spine suffered by hunchbacks. After working in her garden all those years, Sally’s grandmother developed **kyphosis**.

## Grade 11 & 12

Dunce	communal	composite	sleigh
Sporadic	subscription	trombone	upholstery
Treasurer	preparatory	zealous	signature
Straight	scullery	scholarship	resignation
Reception	resurrect	promenade	preposition
Quarantine	realm	pleasurable	pitcher
Parachute	orphanage	multiplication	manufacture
Literary	kindergarten	larceny	gondolier
Envelope	eclipse	camphor	boulevard
Hybrid	gymnasium	illustrious	inflammation
Injurious	institution	integrated	intelligence

Abbreviation	access	accommodate	apathy
Accumulate	acre	alien	alternate
Ambition	anticipate	telescope	terrain
Typical	unconscious	utensil	wage
Waver	withdrawal	yield	accessory
Accolade	acquaint	adjourn	affable
Anathema	anthropology	archaic	argot
Battalion	archaeology	bizarre	caricature
Casualty	cataclysm	diminutive	emancipate
Circumstance	condone	connotation	endurance
Contagious	corroborate	delectable	destitute
Emissary	enthusiastic	epicure	pugnacious
Pungent	pyrrhotite	quadriplegia	quintessence
Quixotic	radiant	Sisyphean	succotash
Precarious	Portmanteau word	pecuniary	raconteur

51. lachrymose (lah-krih-mose) adjective. Describes someone who cries at the drop of a hat. She was so **lachrymose**, she cries at commercials for long-distance phone companies.
52. lackadaisical (lack-uh-DAY-zih-kuhl) adjective. Lazy and indolent; lacking determination. Jameel's **lackadaisical** attitude about his homework cost him the honor roll.
53. lagniappe (lan-YAP) noun An unexpected bonus gift or extra benefit; the icing on the cake. Zaynab would have bought the Porsche Panamera, even without the **lagniappe** of a free voice activated navigation system.
54. Lilliputian (lil-ee-PEW-shun) adjective. Small in stature; tiny in comparison to one's peers. Jules Vern's **Lilliputian** appearance made people treat him like a child.

55. loquacious (loh-KWAY-shus) adjective. Verbose, chatty, the habit of talking nonstop. Amy and Donna are each so **loquacious**, their average phone call lasts ninety minutes.
56. lugubrious (loo-GOO-bree-us) adjective. Pessimistic, emotional downtrodden, spiritually low, sad, or depressed. Prozac failed to ameliorate the patient's **lugubrious** outlook on life.
57. magnanimous (mag-NAN-ih-mus) adjective. A kind and generous act. Considering the fact that Ameena never dressed for Phys. Ed., giving her a passing grade was quite **magnanimous** on the part of her P.E. teacher.
58. magniloquent (mag-NILL-uh-kwuhnt) adjective. pompous, bombastic, and boastful The nouveau riche try to atone for their lack of polish with **magniloquent** speech, but the result is ludicrous.
59. malfeasance (mal-FEE-zinss) noun. Misbehavior; wrongdoing; illegal, unethical or immoral conduct. Gavin insists that insider trading is no **malfeasance** it's merely making good use of all available information.
60. moiety (MOY-ih-tee) noun A part, portion, or share. When I go out to dinner with my wife and kids, I don't order a meal for myself, as my dinner is a **moiety** from each of theirs.
61. nascent ( NAY-sent) adjective. Having just been born or invented and still in the early stages of growth and development. It's always amusing to watch the nouveau riche during the **nascent** period of their adjustment to luxury.
62. nebulous (NEB-yoo-luhs) adjective. An idea or plan that is vague and not well thought out; ill-defined Jay's plans for what he would do when he graduated college were **nebulous** at best.
63. nonagenarian (none-uh-jen-AIR-ee-en) noun. A person in his or her nineties. When you're a **nonagenarian** it begins to occur to you that you could, in fact, live to be one hundred.
64. non-compos mentis (NAHN-KAHM-pohs-MEN-tiss) adjective Crazy; insane; not in one's right mind. When Carlos, who is legally blind, suggested that he was seriously considering becoming a vascular surgeon, we were certain he was **non-compos mentis**
65. nouveau riche (noo-voh-REESH) adjective, noun. A person who has recently acquired wealth. The most distinguished families in the club snubbed him because he was **nouveau riche**.
66. obfuscate (OB-few-skate) verb. To talk or write about a subject in a way that deliberately makes it unclear, selectively omits certain facts, so that the listener or reader does not grasp the whole truth of the situation. Despite his ivy league education, Alexander seems able only to **obfuscate** any subject upon which he touches.
67. obsequious (uhb-SEE-kwi-us) adjective. Subservient; behaving in the manner of a servant or slave. In order to join the sorority, Shirley had to adopt an **obsequious** attitude when in the presence of the sorority members.

68. obsolescence (ob-suh-LESS-uhnts) noun. The state of being no longer useful. Rasheed was shocked to learn that some of the new Maserati models had lapsed into **obsolescence** almost as soon as they hit the showroom floor.
69. opprobrium (uh-PRO-bree-uhm) noun. Disgrace incurred by outrageously shameful conduct. Natasha's arrest for driving while intoxicated was an **opprobrium** her parents could not forgive.
70. ostentatious (ah-sten-TAY-shus) adjective. Presented in a showy manner so as to impress others; visibly flaunting one's wealth or success. Melissa's oversized Gucci purse and full-length mink coat are typical of her **ostentatious** attitude.
71. panacea (pan-uh-SEE-uh) noun. A universal solution for all problems, diseases, or woes; a "cure-all". Parents today see buying their kids everything they want as a **panacea** for misery, boredom, and unhappiness.
72. penultimate (pen-UHL-tah-met) adjective. Next to last in importance. The Harrington's annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July barbecue is the **penultimate** party on Jane's summer social calendar.
73. perfervid ( per-FUR-vid) adjective. Overly intense and passionate; overblown and dramatic. We laughed at the **perfervid** love letters that Jason sent to Emily.
74. pugnacious (pug-NAY-shus) adjective. Someone who always wants to argue and debate every last thing.
- Teenagers are **pugnacious** by nature: when they are told "no", they invariably ask "why."
75. pusillanimous (pyoo-suh-LAN-ih-muss) adjective. Being mild or timid by nature, a person who seeks to avoid conflict, challenge, and danger. Frank L. Baum's most **pusillanimous** fictional creation is the Cowardly Lion of Oz.
76. querulous (KWER-eh-luss) adjective. Describes a person who continually whines and complains about practically everything. The **querulous** manner with the waiter made them unpleasant and embarrassing dinner companions.
77. quotidian (kwo-TID-ee-an) adjective. Familiar; commonplace; nothing out of the ordinary. Despite closets full of the latest designer clothes, Alison's **quotidian** complaint is that she has "nothing to wear."
78. sartorial (sar-TOR-ee-al) adjective. Anything related to the way a person dresses. Jonathan's personal tailor always makes sure that Jonathan radiates **sartorial** splendor.
79. surreptitious (suh-rep-TISH-us) adjective. Done in secret. With little more than **surreptitious** glances, Alison was able to persuade Sara to give her the answers during the Chemistry exam.
80. tendentious (ten-DEN-she-us) adjective. Describes statements or actions designed to promote one's beliefs or point of view. Laura is **tendentious** in her efforts to prove that she believes that a plentitude of fine jewelry is the key to happiness.

## High School Champion Run Off Grades 9-12

1. **Absence** n. being away. Raqueeb brought a note to excuse his **absence**.
2. **Academic** adj. concerned with higher learning
3. **Accomplice** n. a sharer in a crime
4. **Accordion** n. a musical wind instrument with bellows
5. **Achieve** v. to reach; to accomplish. If you wish to **achieve** success you must work hard.
6. **Acknowledge** v. admit; own; recognize. The accountant must **acknowledge** that the mistake on the books was her fault.
7. **Acquainted** p.p having gotten to know; informed
8. **Acquittal** n. act of declaring innocent in court
9. **Adequate** adj. sufficient
10. **Adjunct** n. something added
11. **Admixture** n. something mixed in
12. **Agriculture** n. art or practice of cultivating the land
13. **Alacrity** n. cheerful willingness; eagerness. Furqan accepted our invitation with **alacrity**.
14. **Alphabet** n. the a, b, c, letters of a language
15. **Anniversary** n. yearly return of a date
16. **Antidote** n. something given to counteract a poison

17. **Anxiety** n. state of being troubled in mind
18. **Apostrophe** n. a mark (') used to show that a letter or letters have been purposely left out of a word; example "it'll or you've".
19. **Apparition** n. something coming suddenly and alarmingly into sight
20. **Approximate** adj. nearly right; almost correct. The architect gave them an **approximate** cost of the new house.
21. **Aquarium** n. artificial tank for keeping aquatic animals
22. **Attenuate** v. to make slender, fine or small. The drought **attenuated** the once- mighty river to a thin trickle.
23. **Avalanche** n. a large mass of snow sliding swiftly down a mountain. The **avalanche** buried several trees.
24. **Barometer** n. an instrument that measures air pressure. A falling reading on a **barometer** can indicate worse weather to come.
25. **Bureau** n. a chest of drawers for holding clothing. My socks are in the top drawer of the **bureau**.
26. **Capitalization** n. the process of writing or printing in capital letters. Do you know the rules of punctuation and **capitalization**?
27. **Carbon dioxide** n. a colorless, odorless gas composed of carbon and oxygen and present in the Earth's atmosphere. The **carbon dioxide** exhaled by animals is absorbed by the green plants.
28. **Changeable** adj. subject to change; variable: **changeable** weather.
29. **Circumference** n. the distance around a circle. You can measure the **circumference** of a tree trunk by putting a tape measure around it.
30. **Composure** n. control over one's emotions; calmness; self-control. If you lose your **composure** during an argument, you are likely to lose the argument.
31. **Consciousness**
32. **Constellation** n. a group of stars with a name. Many **constellations** were named after the animals that seemed to form in the sky.
33. **Courageous** adj. being brave; having courage. The **courageous** skater attempted a triple jump.
34. **Cumulonimbus** n. a very dense vertically shaped cloud that may cause heavy rain or thunderstorms. A **cumulonimbus** may bring hail.
35. **Debris** n. the remains of something broken, destroyed, or discarded. The hurricane left much **debris** on the beach.
36. **Dermatologist** n. a doctor that specializes in skin problems. A **dermatologist** can tell you about the best treatment for your complexion.
37. **Diaphanous** a. of such fine texture as to be transparent. The bride wore a delicate gown with **diaphanous** sleeves.
38. **Divisibility** n. the state of being able to divide without a remainder. Factoring can show the **divisibility** of a number.
39. **Dungarees** n. coarse cotton fabric, specifically work trousers or overalls made of this blue denim material.
40. **Eclipse** n. the partial or total obscuring of one celestial body by another. There was a lunar **eclipse** last fall.
41. **Enzymes** n. various proteins formed in plants and animal cells that act as organic catalysts in initiating or speeding

up specific chemical reactions. Many enzymes are found in the human body.

42. **Effulgent** a. shining brilliantly; radiant; bright. The **effulgent** sequins on her shoes sparkled in the spotlight
43. **Encumbrance** n. to block up; to put a heavy load on; to burden. His debts were a serious **encumbrance** to his attempts to gain financial independence.
44. **Encyclopedia** n. a book or group of books that gives general information on many different subjects. Topics in an **encyclopedia** are usually in alphabetical order.
45. **Ennui** n. weary dissatisfaction resulting from lack of interest; boredom. Charles Baudelaire wrote about doing seemingly crazy things to relieve soul-deadening **ennui**.
46. **Enthusiastic** adj. when we are enthusiastic, we have great interest or excitement. The enthusiastic crowd clapped and cheered for the team.
47. **Enzyme** n. a protein substance produced by living organisms. **Enzymes** help our bodies break down food.
48. **Epidermis** n. the outer layer of the skin. Humans and plants both have an **epidermis**.
49. **Ephemeral** a. lasting for a very brief time; fleeting; transitory. The children squealed with delight as the **ephemeral** bubbles vanished only seconds after they were formed.
50. **Evanescent** a. vanishing or likely to vanish like a vapor; fleeting. The actor cherished her **evanescent** moment of fame.
51. **Etching** n. a design cut into a plate by the actions of acid or the print made from such a plate. The artist printed the **etching** from a metal plate.
52. **Excellence** adj. very good. Their **excellent** singing received loud applause.
53. **Imperturbable** adj. unshakably calm. The **imperturbable** captain continued to give orders to her crew as the boat began to sink.
54. **Impetuous** adj. given to acting without thinking; impulsive; hasty. **Impetuous** shoppers can quickly find themselves deep in debt.
55. **Inertia** n. resistance to motion, action or change. Large organizations often suffer from **inertia**, but once they get moving, they can wield considerable power.
56. **Fahrenheit** adj. of or according to the **Fahrenheit** scale, where the freezing point of water is 32 and the boiling point is 212.
57. **Fluorescent** n. producing light when acted upon by radiant energy. **Fluorescent** lights tend to be energy efficient.
58. **Fustic** n. tropical American tree of the mulberry family.
59. **Genealogy** n. a chart or recorded history of the descent of a person or family from an ancestor / s.
60. **Ghetto** n. any section of a city in which many members live or are restricted as by economic pressure or social discrimination.
61. **Harbinger** n. a person or thing that signals or foreshadows what is to come. The two leaders' handshake was a **harbinger** of successful negotiations.
62. **Hydraulic** adj. powered by a liquid under pressure: a **hydraulic** drill.
63. **Imminent** a. about to occur; impending. The police roped off the area around the building because it was in imminent danger of collapsing.

64. **Interminable** a. being or seeming to be without end; endless; tiresomely long. Even short car trips can seem **interminable** to young children.
65. **Imperative** adj. expressing a command. An imperative sentence gives an order.
66. **Interrogative** adj. asking a question. An **interrogative** sentence ends with a question mark.
67. **Lieutenant** n. an officer usually ranking next below a captain. The army officer was promoted from second to first **lieutenant**.
68. **Orchestra** n. the space in front of and below the stage where the musicians sit.
69. **Palpable** a. capable of being handled, touched or felt. The tension in my knotted shoulders was **palpable**.
70. **Pandemonium** n. wild, noisy uproar; chaos. **Pandemonium** broke out in the theater when smoke began rising from the balcony.
71. **Pathology** n. the scientific study of diseases. **Pathology** advanced greatly after the invention of the microscope.
72. **Parthenon**
73. **Perennial** a. enduring; recurring or long lasting. As her room full of trophies showed, she was a **perennial** golf champ.
74. **Permeate** v. to spread or flow throughout. The fragrance of lilies **permeated** the garden.
75. **Perpendicular** adj. at right angles. The walls are perpendicular to the floor.
76. **Pliant** a. easily bent or flexed. **Pliant** willow twigs are excellent for weaving baskets.
77. **Presentiment** n. a sense that something is about to occur. The dark settings of many mystery novels impart a presentiment.
92. **Procession** n. A procession is a group of people or things moving in a line. A long procession followed the queen to the place she would be crowned.
78. **Prominent** adj. someone or something prominent is well known and important. The imams and sheiks are prominent persons in Islam.
79. **Ponderous** a. heavy; difficult to carry due to weight or bulk. The little boy could barely stand under the weights of his **ponderous** backpack.
80. **Possessive** adj. showing ownership. A **possessive** pronoun indicates to whom something belongs.
81. **Punctuation** n. the use of commas, periods, and other marks to make writing clearer. In writing correct **punctuation** is as important as correct usage.
82. **Quadrilateral** n. a geometric figure with four sides and four angles. The **quadrilateral** has four sides.
83. **Receipt** n. a written statement showing that money or goods have been received. I signed the **receipt** when the package was delivered.
84. **Reciprocal** n. either of a pair of numbers whose product is 1. The **reciprocal** of  $\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{3} = 1$ .
85. **Respiratory** adj. pertaining to the process of breathing. Smoking is hazardous to the **respiratory** system.
86. **Retrospective** a. looking back on, contemplating, or directed to the past. Once in a **retrospective** mood, my father showed me his high-school yearbook and told me stories about his teenage years.

87. **Rhombus** n. a parallelogram with equal sides. Is every square a **rhombus**?
88. **Seismograph**
89. **Scarce** adj. If something is scarce, there is not enough of it; it is rare. School supplies are often **scarce** in poor countries.
90. **Serenity** n. peacefulness; calmness. In a famous quotation, people ask to be granted the **serenity** to accept the things that they cannot change.
91. **Sententious** a. energetic and concise in expression; saying meaningful things precisely. The **sententious** speaker captivated her audience.
92. **Tourniquet** n. a cloth band used to temporarily stop the flow of blood through an artery. A **tourniquet** should be applied only by someone well trained in first aid.
93. **Trachea** n. the passage that leads from the back of the mouth to the lungs. The **trachea** carries air to the lungs.
94. **Viscous** a. sticky and thick; resistant to flow. Once gelatin has been cooked and chilled, it is **viscous** at room temperature.

## Extra words

1. **Accredit** v. to officially recognize or approve as having met certain standards. A national board **accredits** teacher preparation programs at universities.

2. **Adroit** a. skillful and quick in the use of the hand and mind. In basketball, guards must be especially **adroit** dribblers.
3. **Animosity** n. bitter hostility; open hatred. The teams displayed great **animosity** toward each other during the game.
4. **Aversion** n. an intense dislike. She developed an **aversion** to boating after she fell into the ocean.
5. **Bulwark** n. a wall or an embankment used as protection. The soldiers hastily erected a **bulwark** of planks and logs.
6. **Cliché** n. a trite or an overused expression, idea or practice. “It was a dark and stormy night” is a **cliché**, so you probably shouldn’t start your story with it.
7. **Courier** n. messenger carrying information or important documents. The **courier** carried copies of the treaty from Washington to Geneva.
8. **Credulous** a. easily deceived; believing too readily; gullible. The **credulous** man fell victim to yet another get rich-quick scheme.
9. **Deceased** a. dead; no longer living. All four of my grandparents are **deceased**.
10. **Discursive** a. moving from one topic to another without order; rambling. Br. Bilal’s **discursive** talk had some interesting points, but was hard to follow.
11. **Egress** n. a path or an opening for going out; an exit. The lost campers searched for an **egress** from the dense forest.
12. **Enamor** v. to inspire with love; to captivate. She was so **enamored** with the speaker that she waited in line for an hour to get his autograph.

13. **Entrepreneur** n. a person who founds, organizes, operates and assumes the risk for a business. The **entrepreneur** began her career selling handmade bags at a local flea market; she now owns a boutique and an online store.
14. **Flagrant** a. noticeable bad; conspicuously offensive; glaring. In many sports, **flagrant** fouls bring higher penalties than regular fouls.
15. **Gauche** a. tactless; socially awkward. Talha's **gauche** complaint about the food offended the hostess and the other guests at the table.
16. **Gradient** n. a rate of inclination; a slope. The collection of paint samples showed all the **gradations** of blue, from light blue to dark navy.
17. **Grovel** v. to behave so humbly that it is demeaning. When you meet the rock star, don't **grovel**; try to act naturally.
18. **Incorrigible** a. incapable of being corrected or reformed. Once again the **incorrigible** criminal was back in court.
19. **Inadvertently** adv. accidentally; unintentionally. I left without my keys, **inadvertently** locking myself out of the house.
20. **Irreversible** a. impossible to reverse. Muscle loss in the elderly was once thought to be completely **irreversible**, but researchers have disproved that theory.
21. **Jettison** v. to cast overboard or off; to discard. After takeoff, the spacecraft **jettisoned** its empty fuel tanks.
22. **Languid** a. lacking energy, spirit, or force; slow. They enjoyed the warm days and **languid** breezes on the tropical island.
23. **Lethargy** n. a severe lack of energy and enthusiasm; apathy and inactivity. Unable to pull himself out of his **lethargy**, the man missed two days of work.
24. **Malfeasance** n. wrongdoing or misconduct, especially by a public official. The cover story in the local paper accused the governor of **malfeasance**, charging that he had accepted bribes in return for awarding contracts.
25. **Miscreant** n. an evildoer; a villain. At the end of the play, the **miscreant** was sent to prison and the hero rode off into the sunset.
26. **Nonchalant** a. seeming to be coolly unconcerned or indifferent. The astronaut remained **nonchalant** even in the face of danger.
27. **Ostensible** a. apparent; represented as true; possible or seemingly true on the surface. The **ostensible** purpose of Akbar's trip to Miami is business, but she may be planning to spend some time at the beach too.
28. **Pejorative** a. disrespectful; insulting; belittling. Many people feel the word housewife is an old-fashioned, **pejorative** term.
29. **Predecessor** n. someone or something that comes before another. The new governor emphasized the need to improve the state's public education system more than her **predecessor** had.
30. **Purloin** v. to steal, often in a violation of trust; to commit theft. The employee at the computer help desk **purloined** customer passwords and then accessed and sold confidential customer information.
31. **Quiescent** a. being still, quiet or inactive. Although the preschoolers were **quiescent** for the moment, the teacher knew that could end at any time.

32. **Rendezvous** n. an arranged meeting. Halimah and her friend arranged a three 'o'clock **rendezvous** at the corner of Mason and Vine Streets.
33. **Repugnance** n. extreme dislike; disgust. The attorney was filled with **repugnance**, as he read the violent offender's criminal record.
34. **Resilient** a. able to recover or spring back quickly. The **resilient** patient was walking just a few days after her major surgery.
35. **Salient** a. strikingly conspicuous; prominent or significant. Yasmeen summarized the **salient** points of her proposal.
36. **Sequester** v. to isolate someone or something; to seclude. The prisoner was **sequestered** in the Tower of London.
37. **Somnambulate** v. to sleep walk. Shareef often ends up in the kitchen when he **somnambulates**.
38. **Soporific** a. causing or tending to cause sleep. Farooq discovered that slow music often had a **soporific** effect on him.
39. **Stalwart** a. strong and dependable. The **stalwart** gatekeeper kept the enemy from crossing the castle's bridge.
40. **Subjugation** n. the act of conquering or bringing under control; enslavement. Hernando Cortez's **subjugation** of the Aztec Empire took only two years.
41. **Subterfuge** n. a deceptive stratagem or trick. The spy used **subterfuge** to get past the guards and into the top-secret area.
42. **Succor** n. assistance in time of need; relief. Nations around the world provided **succor** to victims of the tragic tsunami of 2004.
43. **Supercilious** a. proudly scornful; disdainful. The Hotel clerk's **supercilious** look made Husna feel that she was not welcome.
44. **Surreptitious** a. obtained, done or made by secret or stealthy means. The guest **surreptitiously** put the expensive silverware in her purse.
45. **Sycophant** n. a person attempting to win favor by flattering important people. After a while, the movie star became impatient with the constant attention of **sycophants**.
46. **Unobtrusively** adv. acting in a manner that does not attract attention. Dawoud **unobtrusively** slipped the money into his mother's purse after she refused to allow him to pay for lunch.
47. **Unprecedented** a. not done or known before; without previous example. The legal battles resulting from the 2000 U.S. presidential election was **unprecedented**.
48. **Unscrupulous** a. lacking moral restraint; scornful of what is right and honorable. The **unscrupulous** car salesman did not reveal that the car had engine problems.
49. **Zona pellucida** n. the clear, thick outer membrane that surrounds and protects the mature egg of a mammal.
50. **Zymosis** n. fermentation; any infectious disease.