

**Neervely Welfare Association**

**English Spelling Competition**

**2015**

**Primary Division**

**Competitors Born in 2007, 2008, 2009**

## PRIMARY SPELLING

	WORD	PART OF SPEECH	DEFINITION	SENTENCE
1	Abate	Verb	To make less in amount, degree, force	<i>The weatherman said that the storm would <b>abate</b>.</i>
2	Abode	Verb	A place where one lives or stays; home; residence	<i>He remained in his <b>abode</b>.</i>
3	Absurd	Adjective	So clearly untrue or unreasonable as to be ridiculous.	<i>It was <b>absurd</b> to say the baby could reach the counter</i>
4	Active	Adjective	Lively, busy, agile	<i>Last night I babysat for a very <b>active</b> two-year old.</i>
5	Acquire	Verb	Get; Obtain	<i>Where can I <b>acquire</b> a copy of the Spelling bee manual?</i>
6	Adopt	Verb	To take and rear (the child of other parents) as one's own child, specifically by a formal legal act	<i>The Smiths decided to <b>adopt</b> a baby</i>
7	Anxious	Adjective	Worried; nervous; troubled; uneasy	<i>The student was very <b>anxious</b> about getting on the hockey team.</i>
8	benefit	Noun	something that is advantageous or good	<i>Taking vitamins will <b>benefit</b> your health</i>
9	Believe	Verb	To have confidence in the truth	<i>I <b>believe</b> in my religion.</i>
10	Brother	Noun	A male of the same parents as another	<i>My <b>brother</b> and I both look like our father.</i>
11	Budget	Noun	An estimate of the amount of money that will be spent for various purpose in a given time by a government, school, business, family etc	<i>I've already spent my <b>budget</b> for movies this month.</i>

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12	Career	Noun	An occupation or profession, esp. One require special training, followed as one's lifework	<i>He sought a <b>career</b> as a lawyer.</i>
13	Captain	Noun	A person who is at the head of or in authority over others; chief; leader.	<i>Sam is the <b>captain</b> of the soccer team.</i>
14	Costal	Adjective	Of the ribs of rib like structures in plants and animals.	<i>The insect crawled across the <b>costal</b> area of the leaf.</i>
15	Corridor	Noun	A gallery or passage connecting parts of a building; hallway	<i>The bathroom is down the <b>corridor</b> to your right.</i>
16	Collar	Noun	The part of a garment that encircles the neck; band or chain or leather for the neck of a dog, cat or other pet.	<i>Ladies wore a jeweled <b>collar</b> .</i>
17	Convoy	Verb	A protecting escort, as for ships or troops; a group traveling together.	<i>Destroyers will <b>convoy</b> the troopships.</i>
18	Custom	Noun	Usual practice of behaving; habit; duties or taxes imposed by a	<i>Having parties at Halloween was the <b>custom</b> of the neighborhood.</i>
19	Deadlock	Noun	A position in which it is impossible to act or continue because of disagreement.	<i>The talks were <b>deadlocked</b> for weeks.</i>
20	Defect	Noun	Lack of something for completeness; deficiency; forsake one's cause and join the opposition.	<i>It was on sale because of a <b>defect</b> in the pattern.</i>
21	Dessert	Noun	Usually the sweet course of a dinner; pie; cake, pudding, etc	<i>Lemon pie is my favorite <b>dessert</b> .</i>
22	Destroy	Verb	To tear down; demolish; to break up; ruin; crush	<i>The demolition crew ill <b>destroy</b> the whole building.</i>
23	Employ	Verb	To keep busy or at work; engage the attentions of	<i>He <b>employs</b> himself by reading after work.</i>

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24	Earthquake	Noun	A shaking of the Earth's surface, caused by shock waves generated by the movement of rocks.	<b>Earthquake</b> occur most frequently in a circum- pacific belt and in the recent mountain systems of Alpine- Himalayan- Indonesian regions.
25	Endorse	Noun	To approve, support, or sustain	The Community will <b>endorse</b> the candidate
26	Empire	Noun	A group of nations or peoples ruled over by an emperor, empress, or other powerful sovereign or government.	The Roman <b>empire</b> ruled the world at one point in time
27	Excite	Verb	Stir to action or activity	Don't excite the dogs or they'll start barking.
28	Extinct	Adjective	No longer living anywhere.	Dinosaurs are <b>extinct</b> .
29	Factory	Noun	An industrial building.	Some farms today are run like a <b>factory</b> .
30	Falcon	Noun	Any of several birds of prey of the family Falconidae.	The <b>falcon</b> swooped through the forest and caught a mouse
31	Festoon	Verb	Decorate with a chain of flowers, rib	Let's <b>festoon</b> the front porch with flow party.
32	Force	Noun	Physical power or strength possessed by a living being.	He used all his <b>force</b> in opening the window
33	Fusion	Noun	1. The act or instance of fusing or melting together. 2. The blending of different things into one	The new restaurant is a <b>fusion</b> of Asian and western influences.
34	Giraffe	Noun	A tall, long-necked, spotted ruminant	Seeing the <b>giraffe</b> made our trip to the zoo more enjoyable
35	Glossy	Noun	Having a shiny or lustrous surface	The <b>glossy</b> cat was sleeping in the window.

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36	Grammar	Noun	The system of word structures and word arrangements of a given language at a given time.	<i>In order to speak the language, an understanding of <b>grammar</b> is helpful.</i>
37	Globe	Noun	The planet Earth	<i>My Farther keeps a <b>globe</b> on the desk in his office.</i>
38	Granite	Noun	A very hard, crystalline, plutonic rock, gray to pink in color, consisting of feldspar, quartz and smaller amounts of other minerals.	<i>The polished <b>granite</b> shone in the sunlight.</i>
39	Graze	Noun	To feed on (growing grass, herbage, a pasture, etc)	<i>The cattle will <b>graze</b> on the slopes all winter.</i>
40	Honest	Verb	Honorable in principles; intentions, and actions; upright and fair.	<i>The store owner had an <b>honest</b> face</i>
41	Hostile	Verb	Having or showing ill will; unfriendly; antagonistic	<i>The lion appeared <b>hostile</b> as the hunter approached.</i>
42	Handsome	Adjective	Having an attractive, well-proportioned, and imposing appearance suggestive of health and strength; good -looking	<i>Who is that <b>handsome</b> boy?</i>
43	Hedge	Noun	A natural fence created by a wall of close planted shrubs or bushes.	<i>A large <b>hedge</b> surrounded the property, couldn't see the house</i>
44	Height	Adjective	Extent or distance upward	<i>The balloon stopped rising at a <b>height</b> of 500 feet</i>
45	Hurricane	Noun	A tropical cyclone with a violent wind.	<i>The storm got so bad that we feared it wow into a <b>hurricane</b></i>
46	Important	Adjective	Of much or great significance or consequence	<i>It is very <b>important</b> to brush your teeth at least two times a day to prevent cavities.</i>

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47	Induce	Verb	1. Persuade or prevail on (2) Bring about, give rise to	<i>What can I do to <b>induce</b> you to join us in Ecokids our Earth Day activities?</i>
48	Incite	Noun	To set in motion, to urge to action; stir up rouse.	<i>The news of the riot may <b>incite</b> others to act.</i>
49	Inspire	Verb	To fill with an animating, quickening, or exalting influence.	<i>His courage <b>inspired</b> his followers.</i>
50	Innate	Noun	Existing naturally rather than acquired; possessed at birth, inherent	<i>He has an <b>innate</b> talent for math</i>
51	Jacket	Noun	A short coat, in any of various forms, usually opening down the front	<i>This blue <b>Jacket</b> would look nice with your new skirt</i>
52	Journey	Noun	A traveling from one place to another, usually taking a rather long time; trip	<i>We began our <b>journey</b> up the mountain.</i>
53	Jostle	Verb	To bump or push, as in a crowd; elbow or shove roughly.	<i>As the number increased, the crowd began to <b>jostle</b> the players.</i>
54	Juggle	Verb	To keep (Several objects, as balls, plates or knives) in continuous motion in the air simultaneously by tossing and catching )	<i>The man at the circus could <b>juggle</b> five balls in the air.</i>
55	Kettle	Noun	A metal container in which to boil liquids, cook foods, etc; pot	<i>I'll boil some water in the <b>kettle</b> for your tea.</i>
56	Karate	Noun	Japanese system of self - defense without weapons, using studied hand and foot strokes capable of crippling or killing.	<b>Karate</b> is a form of martial art.
57	Kindling	Verb	Bits of dry wood or other easily-lighted material for starting a fire.	<i>The campers gathered <b>kindling</b> for the fire.</i>
58	Lawyer	Noun	A person whose profession is to represent clients in a court of law or to advise or act for clients in other legal matters.	<i>You should consult your <b>lawyer</b> before signing this contract.</i>

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59	License	Noun	A document, printed tag, permit, etc, indicating that such permission had been granted.	The Officer asked to see the man's <b>license</b> .
60	Lonely	Noun	Affected with, Characterized by ,or causing a depressing feeling of being alone; lonesome	I was very <b>lonely</b> when I first moved to town.
61	Marine	Adjective	Relating to sea or ocean.	She loved the ocean and studied hard to become a <b>marine</b> biologist.
62	Margarine	Noun	A food product usually made from vegetable oils and skim milk.	Would you like <b>margarine</b> or butter on your toast ?
63	Method	Verb	A procedure, technique, or way of doing something, esp. in accordance with a definite plan.	There are three possible <b>methods</b> of repairing this motor.
64	Music	Noun	The art and science of organizing sounds of varying pitch and volume into rhythmical, harmonic and melodic patterns to produce a composition having structure and unity.	She had <b>music</b> in her blood.
65	Nectar	Noun	The saccharine secretion of a plant, which attracts the insects or birds that pollinate the flower	The icy cold lemonade was like <b>nectar</b> .
66	Night	Noun	The period of darkness between evening and morning; the time between sunset and sunrise.	We expect to get back before <b>night</b> .
67	Oil	Noun	Any thick liquid, which includes natural animal oils.	Flax seed <b>oil</b> is supposed to be good for
68	Owl	Noun	A bird of prey with a flat face and large eyes that hunts for small animals such as mice at night.	Most <b>owls</b> are active at night.
69	Party	Noun	A gathering of people who come together to enjoy themselves.	We gave a birthday <b>party</b> for my sister.
70	Permit	Verb	To allow to do something,	The Principal must <b>permit</b> the students to go on a school trip.

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71	Radio	Noun	A method of sending or receiving sound through the air by means of electrical waves.	<i>She works in <b>radio</b> .</i>
72	Sound	Noun	Something you hear or that can be heard.	<i>When you turn the <b>sound</b> down on a television, you make it less loud.</i>
73	Tomato	Noun	A round, red fruit with seeds in it.	<i>Father sliced a <b>tomato</b> and put it on the sandwiches.</i>
74	Violet	Noun	A small plant that usually has purple flowers.	<i>Isn't this African <b>violet</b> pretty?</i>
75	Wheel	Noun	A round object that turns, often on a car, wagon, bicycle, etc	<i>The car would not go when the <b>wheel</b> came off.</i>