

Neervely Welfare Association

English Spelling Competition

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Junior Division

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	WORD	PART OF SPEECH	DEFINITION	SENTENCE
1.	absent	adj.	Away, not present.	<i>Varman was absent from school today because he was not feeling well.</i>
2.	accept	v.	Take, receive, admit, believe, agree to.	<i>Rajan must accept the invitation to go to the party.</i>
3.	acquire	v.	Get; obtain.	<i>Where can I acquire a copy of the spelling bee manual?</i>
4.	airborne	adj.	Moving through or carried by the air.	<i>The airborne pollution came from factories on the other side of the Great Lakes.</i>
5.	antics	n.	Odd and funny, ludicrous, pranks, capers	<i>"The antics of the little monkey made him seem almost human."</i>
6.	barley	n.	Hardy grain used for food and making liquors.	<i>The farmer has harvested his barley.</i>
7.	beam	n.	Long, squared piece of wood; bar of a balance.	<i>The gymnast balance himself on the beam.</i>
8.	beauty	n.	Loveliness, grace.	<i>The sunset on a summer's night is full of beauty.</i>
9.	believe	v.	Regard as true; trust in.	<i>If you believe in yourself anything is possible.</i>
10.	cassette	n.	Plastic container for film, magnetic tape.	<i>I put the cassette in the VCR.</i>
11.	castle	n.	Fortress; country mansion.	<i>The beautiful princess and prince lived in the stone castle.</i>
12.	century	n.	Hundred years; unit of one hundred.	<i>Will we see a Tamil president in this century?</i>
13.	chorus	n.	Music written for group singing	<i>"The group joined together for the chorus."</i>
14.	cherish	v.	Treat with affection; protect.	<i>Karthik will always cherish the memories of his grandmother.</i>
15.	community	n.	State; body of people with something in common.	<i>Scarborough has a very large Tamil community.</i>

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16.	diploma	n.	A document vouching for a person's title to some degree.	<i>I received my diploma at my graduation ceremony.</i>
17.	dominate	v.	Rule, control.	<i>The lion will always dominate the jungle.</i>
18.	dragon	n.	Fire-breathing monster.	<i>The knight slayed the dragon and saved the princess.</i>
19.	drag	v.	To pull in a slow, hard way, especially along the ground	"She dragged the desk across the floor."
20.	emblem	v.	A visible symbol of a thing class of people; a sign	"The cross is an emblem of Christianity."
21.	empire	n.	An extensive group of countries or states under the supreme rule so one state or person.	<i>The Roman empire ruled the world at one point in time.</i>
22.	enemy	n.	A person actively hostile to another and seeking to defeat or harm him or her.	<i>In war, we have to fight the enemy.</i>
23.	extreme	adj.	Severe; intense; excessive.	<i>Extreme cold will make the engine hard to start.</i>
24.	factory	n.	A building in which goods are made.	<i>I visited the factory where chocolates are made.</i>
25.	feather	n.	A rigid outgrowth of the outer layer of the skin or birds.	<i>I found feather that fell from the nest in my garden.</i>
26.	fluent	v.	Moving or flowing smoothly; able to write or speak easily, expressively	"The teacher was fluent in three languages."
27.	garbage	n.	Anything worthless.	<i>The garbage is collected every Tuesday.</i>
28.	grudge	n.	Feeling of ill will or resentment.	<i>Ratha held a grudge against her sister for stealing her necklace.</i>
29.	harbor	n.	A place of shelter for ships.	<i>You can see many ships docked at the harbor.</i>
30.	heckle	n.	To annoy or harass by interrupting with questions or taunts	"The audience began to heckle the speaker."

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31.	hoarse	adj.	Rough, harsh sounding.	<i>My voice became hoarse when I had a cold.</i>
32.	hypnotic	adj.	Tending to produce sleep.	<i>The ticking of the clock was hypnotic to the tired man.</i>
33.	imagine	v.	Picture to oneself.	<i>I like to imagine being able to fly in the sky like a bird.</i>
34.	instrument	n.	A device for making musical sounds.	<i>The piano is a musical instrument.</i>
35.	inert	n.	Having few or no active properties	"The inert gas is not considered to be a danger."
36.	jockey	n.	Someone who rides a horse in a race.	<i>The jockey wearing blue finished last in the race.</i>
37.	juggle	v.	To hold; catch, carry, or balance precariously.	<i>The man at the circus could juggle five balls in the air.</i>
38.	kindling	v.	Bits of dry wood or other easily-lighted material for starting a fire	"The campers gathered kindling for the fire."
39.	knead	v.	Work up into dough.	<i>The baker will knead the dough before he bakes the bread.</i>
40.	lettuce	n.	Any of genus of plants grown for its edible green leaves	"I'll begin washing the lettuce for the salad."
41.	lucid	n.	Clearheaded; rational	"The lucid thinker explained the axiom."
42.	marble	n.	Kind of limestone capable of taking a polish.	<i>The kitchen counter was made of marble.</i>
43.	mackerel	n.	A fish, commonly used in cat food	"Canned mackerel is my cat's favourite food."
44.	magnetic	n.	Having the properties of a magnet.	<i>The steel cutlery had become magnetic and stuck together.</i>
45.	neglect	v.	Disregard, to take no care of.	<i>If you neglect doing your homework, you will do poorly in school.</i>
46.	marine	adj.	Related to sea or ocean.	<i>She loved the ocean and studied hard to become a marine biologist.</i>

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47.	massacre	n.	A general slaughter of persons, occasionally animals.	<i>Allila the Hun was guilty of many massacre.</i>
48.	meteor	n.	A small body from outer space that glows from friction with the Earth's atmosphere.	<i>The meteor in the night sky was a streak of light.</i>
49.	octopus	n.	A sea mollusk.	<i>The octopus has eight tentacles.</i>
50.	orphan	n.	A child who has lost both parents through death.	<i>Surya became an orphan after his parents died in a car accident.</i>
51.	peace	n.	Calm, quietness of mind; freedom from war.	<i>There will be peace when the war is over.</i>
52.	pollution	n.	The process of contaminating or polluting.	<i>You could see the air pollution hanging over the city.</i>
53.	protocol	n.	Formal rules of behaviors, especially on state occasions.	<i>Hiking protocol requires that you leave nothing behind.</i>
54.	religion	n.	A system of faith and worship.	<i>We study religion at school.</i>
55.	rainbow	n.	An arc of coloured light that is formed in the sky after a rainfall.	<i>I looked up in the sky after the storm and saw a beautiful rainbow.</i>
56.	salary	n.	Fixed payment of persons employed.	<i>I can't wait to get my salary at the end of this month so I can go shopping.</i>
57.	sewage	n.	Organic waste and wastewater which is discharged into sewers.	<i>Untreated sewage contaminates rivers and lakes.</i>
58.	solar	adj.	Relating to the sun.	<i>We are installing solar powered lights in the garden</i>
59.	species	n.	A group of organisms that reproduce with one another, but not with other groups.	<i>The Montreal Botanical Garden has 22,000 species in its collection.</i>
60.	tortoise	n.	A four footed reptile covered with a shell puff horny plates.	<i>The tortoise hid in its shell until the morning.</i>
61.	thunder	n.	A loud noise, usually heard just after a lightning strike in a storm.	<i>The time between seeing lightning and hearing thunder increases with distance.</i>

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62.	timber	n.	a general term for clusters of trees; wood products.	<i>Trees are cut down to produce timber.</i>
63.	unusual	adj.	Exceptional; remarkable.	<i>She has an unusual talent for leading nature walks.</i>
64.	vehicle	n.	A movable machine for carrying people.	<i>A car is faster vehicle than a horse-drawn buggy.</i>
65.	viable	adj.	Capable of living, developing, or germinating normally.	<i>Seeds can remain viable for many years.</i>
66.	vocabulary	n.	The words a person knows.	<i>Flora has a large vocabulary.</i>
67.	viewpoint	n.	The position from which a person regards a particular matter, issue or idea.	<i>Raj's viewpoint on hunting animals differs from his colleague's viewpoints.</i>
68.	vogue	n.	The current fashion.	<i>I wonder if bell-bottom trousers will ever be in vogue again.</i>
69.	walrus	n.	A large sea animal.	<i>I once read a story about a walrus and a carpenter.</i>
70.	weapon	n.	Implement to fight with.	<i>A gun is very dangerous weapon.</i>
71.	wherever	adv.	In or to whatever place.	<i>Wherever you go, your shadow follows you.</i>
72.	whisker	n.	Each of a number of projecting hairs of many mammals such as dogs, cats and seals.	<i>I love to stroke my cat's whickers.</i>
73.	wildlife	n.	Any animal found in the wild.	<i>Major parks, such as Algonquin, help preserve wildlife.</i>
74.	wreath	n.	Flowers or leaves fastened into a ring and used as a decoration.	<i>Making a wreath for the front door is a nice touch.</i>
75.	yolk	n.	The yellow and principal substance of an egg.	<i>I like to dip my toast in egg yolk.</i>