



2024-2025 School Spelling Bee Study List with Definitions

Fifth
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397.	rookery	<i>noun</i>	a breeding ground or common haunt of gregarious birds or animals (as herons, penguins, or seals); also : a colony of such birds or animals.
398.	vociferous	<i>adjective</i>	marked by or given to ready vehement insistent outcry.
399.	Carmelite	<i>noun</i>	a member of a Roman Catholic mendicant order founded in the 12th century.
400.	cascabel	<i>noun</i>	a vicious South and Central American rattlesnake that has a powerful neurotoxic venom and is the only rattlesnake of eastern South America.
401.	San Joaquin	<i>geographical entry</i>	a river in central California flowing from the Sierra Nevada southwest and then northwest into the Sacramento River.
402.	cabeza	<i>noun</i>	the head of a person or animal.
403.	imperator	<i>noun</i>	supreme leader especially of the ancient Romans : commander, emperor.
404.	physician	<i>noun</i>	one duly authorized to treat disease : a doctor of medicine.
405.	symbolizes OR symbolises*	<i>verb</i>	serves as something that stands for or suggests something else by reason of relationship, association, convention, or accidental but not intentional resemblance.
406.	camouflaged	<i>verb</i>	concealed by means of disguise.
407.	piñon OR pinyon	<i>noun</i>	the nutlike seed of a low-growing nut pine of western North America used especially in confectionery.
408.	dysfunctional	<i>adjective</i>	related to a trait or condition failing to serve a useful or adjustive purpose in society.



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| 421. | Olympics | <i>plural noun</i> | a modified revival of a Panhellenic festival originating in Athens in 1896, held once every four years, and consisting of international athletic contests. |
| 422. | miscreant | <i>noun</i> | one who behaves criminally or viciously. |
| 423. | Aquitaine | <i>geographical entry</i> | historical region of southwestern France whose capital was Toulouse. |
| 424. | muttonchops | <i>plural noun</i> | side-whiskers that are narrow at the temple and broad and round by the lower jaws. |
| 425. | charade | <i>noun</i> | an almost transparent pretense. |
| 426. | relegated | <i>verb</i> | degraded : demoted. |
| 427. | conspiratorial | <i>adjective</i> | suggestive of an agreement manifesting itself in words or deeds and made by two or more persons confederating to do an unlawful act. |
| 428. | puppeteer | <i>noun</i> | one who manipulates small-scale figures of humans or other living beings. |
| 429. | gullet | <i>noun</i> | the tube by which food passes from the pharynx to the stomach : the esophagus. |
| 430. | rancid | <i>adjective</i> | having an offensive smell or taste usually from chemical change or decomposition. |
| 431. | consensus | <i>noun</i> | collective opinion : the judgment arrived at by most of those concerned. |
| 432. | accommodations | <i>plural noun</i> | lodgings, food, and services (as at a hotel). |



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445.	Choctaws	<i>plural noun</i>	members of a Muskogean people of Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana.
446.	prosecutor	<i>noun</i>	an attorney who conducts proceedings especially of a criminal nature in a court on behalf of the government.
447.	noncommittal	<i>adjective</i>	taking no clear position or giving no clear indication of attitude, feeling, or point of view.
448.	eulogy	<i>noun</i>	a composition (as a set oration) in commendation of someone or something (as of the character and services of a deceased person).
449.	regales	<i>verb</i>	gives pleasure or amusement to : affects pleasurably.
450.	psychometry	<i>noun</i>	divination of facts concerning an object or its owner through contact with or proximity to the object.

*British spelling

**Preferred spelling

Two Bee Study Words for Fifth Grade

The School Spelling Bee Study List is broken down into three levels of difficulty: One Bee, Two Bee and Three Bee. Two Bee words include words appropriate for fourth, fifth and sixth grade.

The list below includes 50 challenging **fifth** grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these words, you will be well prepared for your fifth-grade classroom bee. To prepare for a school spelling bee, ask your teacher for the full 450-word School Spelling Bee Study List, which includes these words, the remainder of the Two Bee words, and the One Bee and Three Bee words.

ballerina
cubism
interact
jerky
diablo
ablaze
pivot
karate
bowler
phantom
locust
council
ointment
Gothic
midair
hurricane
laurel

lollygag**
OR lallygag
vermin
argument
wreckage
dolphin
infinite
bittersweet
fend
disguise
membrane
magnolia
sensation
daredevil
bypass
oysters
military
gasket

biceps
voyage
advantage
applause
nostrils
television
mattress
soldier
trousers**
OR trowsers
albums
muscles
diploma
harpoons
rampage
levitate
spritzed

**preferred spelling