



SPELLING TEST

DO NOT SPECIFICALLY TEACH STUDENTS THE SPELLING OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS AS YOU WILL INVALIDATE THE TEST.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Say the test word, followed by the sentence containing the word and then say the test word again.
- Do not provide any feedback as to the accuracy of the student's spelling.
- Continue until 8-10 consecutive words are spelled incorrectly.
- Count the number of words spelled correctly. Use the scoring table to convert this score to years and months

Test Word	Sentence	Test Word	Sentence
set	Tom will set the table.	shower	I have a shower every night.
mad	Mum got mad when I broke the window.	your	I want to be your friend.
rub	Rub the oil on your skin.	fight	The knight had to fight the dragon.
lot	I have a lot of toys.	slowest	The tortoise is the slowest animal.
bin	Put the rubbish in the bin.	drain	The rain water went down the drain.
web	The spider spun a web.	wrong	He drove on the wrong side of the road.
van	The postman drove a red van.	around	We walked around the block.
jut	The book will jut out from the shelf.	voice	You must use a quiet voice in hospitals.
fog	It was hard to see in the fog.	return	Please return your library books.
zip	Do up the zip on your jeans.	coped	I coped very well with the extra work.
kept	The girl kept all her lollies.	placing	I am placing your cup on the table.
wind	The wind blew the leaves.	large	I ate a large apple.
drum	The girl banged on the drum.	sneeze	Cover your mouth when you sneeze.
stop	The policeman told me to stop.	thinned	Mum thinned out the weeds.
plant	I will plant the flower in the garden.	thought	I thought I knew the answer.
bee	The bee flew to the flower.	wonder	I wonder what you will do tonight.
call	I heard my mum call me for lunch.	laugh	Don't laugh at that naughty child.
way	Which way do I go?	share	Please share your chocolate.
than	She was bigger than me.	death	The death of a pet is always sad.
fluff	I picked up the fluff off the floor.	taught	Dad taught me to ride.
book	You should read a book every night.	ledge	Put the jar on the ledge.
dry	Dry yourself with the towel.	research	A library is a good place to do research.
rack	Put the clothing on the rack.	certain	They were certain that they were correct.
coat	Put on a coat to stay warm.	electric	I have an electric train set.
mine	"That is mine," said the boy.	cycle	Some children cycle every day.
paw	I shook the dog's paw.	gypsy	The gypsy travelled around the country in a caravan.
beach	The children swam at the beach.	altered	Mum altered my dress to make it fit better.
short	The child was quite short.	believe	"I believe in fairies," said the little girl.

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distance	The hills could just be seen in the distance.	tissue	Use a tissue to blow your nose.
extremely	The weather was extremely hot.	architecture	The architecture designed an unusual building.
cities	Every country has many cities.	gauge	You should get petrol if your fuel gauge is showing empty.
review	We wrote a book review in English.	circumference	The circumference is the measurement around the edge of a circle.
steadily	He worked steadily until he had finished.	sufficient	He had sufficient money to purchase a car.
guilty	The man was found guilty of burglary.	delicious	The chef created a delicious meal.
fashion	Teenagers like to wear clothing that is in fashion.	fatigue	Muscle fatigue is common after a race.
allowance	The child spent all his allowance on ice cream.	colonial	Many of the buildings date back to the colonial period.
education	It is important to get a good education.	quadrilateral	He used a quadrilateral design.
pursue	You should pursue your dreams.	conferring	The official is conferring with his superior officer.
prettiest	She had the prettiest dress at the ball.	exquisite	The girl purchased an exquisite bracelet.
religious	The student went to a religious school.	apostrophe	Many people use the apostrophe incorrectly.
atmosphere	We released the balloon into the atmosphere.	precipitous	Access to the mountain cave was via precipitous stone steps.
peculiar	He certainly was a peculiar person.	physicist	A physicist studies physics.
scholastic	Scholastic ability is required to get into university.	allegiance	The new citizens had to swear allegiance to their new country.
actually	We actually went to Singapore for our holidays.	consignment	The consignment was detained in customs.
intermediate	I have passed my intermediate swimming certificate.	camouflage	Soldiers often camouflage their campsite.
sculpture	The artist created a huge sculpture out of clay.	rhetorical	Rhetorical questions don't require an answer.
distinguish	Can you distinguish between different types of birds?	paraphernalia	Each occupation has its own paraphernalia.
musician	The musician played several instruments.	chandelier	It is common to see at least one chandelier in castles.
neutral	She chose a neutral colour scheme	facetious	Facetious behaviour is not appreciated by parents.
heir	The heir to the throne waved to the crowd.		

SCORING TABLE

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	<5.00	5.01	5.02	5.04	5.05	5.06	5.07	5.08	5.10	5.11
10	6.00	6.01	6.02	6.04	6.05	6.06	6.07	6.08	6.10	6.11
20	7.00	7.01	7.02	7.04	7.05	7.06	7.07	7.08	7.10	7.11
30	8.00	8.01	8.02	8.04	8.05	8.06	8.07	8.08	8.10	8.11
40	9.00	9.01	9.02	9.04	9.05	9.06	9.07	9.08	9.10	9.11
50	10.00	10.01	10.02	10.04	10.05	10.06	10.07	10.08	10.10	10.11
60	11.00	11.01	11.02	11.04	11.05	11.06	11.07	11.08	11.10	11.11
70	12.00	12.01	12.02	12.04	12.05	12.06	12.07	12.08	12.10	12.11
80	13.00	13.01	13.02	13.04	13.05	13.06	13.07	13.08	13.10	13.11
90	14.00	14.01	14.02	14.04	14.05	14.06	14.07	14.08	14.10	14.11

Example: If the student scores 25 words correct, find the intersection between the 20 on the left hand column and the 5 on the top row. The score is 7.06 = 7 years and 6 months.