



# Scripps National Spelling Bee

## 2020-2021 School Spelling Bee Study List

gel  
eel  
better  
bite  
ray  
dash  
grew  
father  
dinner  
boom  
full  
damp  
shade  
scorch  
couch  
chess  
laptop  
double  
whine  
princess  
awe  
cost  
stared  
sidekick  
felt  
shambles  
sizzle  
purple  
slither  
vital  
goofy

train  
fans  
hit  
noon  
dusk  
skin  
fine  
jam  
rats  
wave  
huge  
from  
ribs  
motor  
nibble  
slimy  
movie  
watch  
beans  
piper  
afar  
sleek  
plopped  
stuff  
summer  
taillight  
hatchling  
entire  
combed  
insisted  
remember

sport  
dome  
peanut  
gummy  
mops  
star  
day  
mugs  
fed  
trunk  
born  
hunch  
forever  
talking  
strands  
squeak  
known  
ahoy  
child  
hear  
bowl  
bottle  
darted  
least  
carefully  
quicken  
razz  
December  
patrol  
pocket  
travel

rich  
tall  
cake  
sting  
thanks  
began  
upset  
fair  
sir  
sleepy  
jumping  
each  
freeze  
money  
chapter  
friend  
suffer  
dream  
space  
sprint  
sweat  
smart  
angry  
little  
would  
presence  
followed  
sudden  
epic  
project  
theater **OR**  
\*theatre

\*chiefly British spelling

|                |              |            |                 |
|----------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| career         | disease      | trophy     | cranky          |
| athlete        | jotted       | swirled    | amount          |
| sighed         | sheen        | worse      | sandwich        |
| duo            | gleaming     | repress    | clothes         |
| either         | rely         | chose      | belle           |
| else           | picture      | prepare    | percent         |
| afraid         | rescue       | antsy      | hover           |
| billow         | posh         | Canada     | toga            |
| bison          | strum        | dangerous  | pluck           |
| squid          | Frisbee      | teeter     | chives          |
| rallies        | pastry       | coveralls  | ponytail        |
| clatter        | snout        | tumbling   | cradle          |
| firefly        | serious      | banners    | humor <b>OR</b> |
| launch         | rubble       | plush      | *humour         |
| mention        | spoken       | record     | bridge          |
| pinpoint       | wisdom       | slate      | drape           |
| countless      | hideout      | ruins      | Mexico          |
| glazed         | scanner      | oncoming   | flimsy          |
| drowsy         | flurry       | tourists   | laughter        |
| window         | meeting      | splutter   | helmet          |
| whimper        | bracelet     | inwardly   | mobility        |
| eddy           | fanged       | bough      | listlessly      |
| cautioned      | gesture      | glisten    | accuse          |
| imposing       | scoff        | opposite   | instrument      |
| blissfully     | coarse       | activists  | commute         |
| cocoa          | nutrients    | scarcely   | stretcher       |
| lair           | hybrid       | mustard    | cruel           |
| schedule       | goblins      | runes      | convince        |
| grateful       | mislead      | formation  | previous        |
| snorkels       | complicated  | unnoticed  | agreement       |
| dappled        | rustle       | chef       | crease          |
| whales         | sinister     | subtitles  | fragment        |
| retreat        | implore      | lento      | Scandinavia     |
| haggis         | dolce        | opus       | pedestrian      |
| indecipherable | lullaby      | FORTRAN    | tangents        |
| expression     | violin       | binary     | semicolon       |
| patent         | incantations | treble     | Baltic          |
| ventured       | deities      | feta       | proverb         |
| strait         | podium       | terraced   | Aztec           |
| laboratory     | gilded       | stealthily | ancestors       |
| convulsive     | jasper       | berth      | deference       |
| detergent      | sheathed     | mantle     | streamlet       |
| cladding       | congratulate | fountain   | curtly          |
| garish         | porcupine    | contingent | swerve          |
| president      | depths       | Oregon     | purpose         |
| copious        | scallion     | lurching   | warden          |
| outlandish     | hurtle       | fester     | intoxicating    |
| ineffective    | propane      | dissuade   | profusion       |
| trough         | parchment    | leach      | wrath           |
| corporate      |              |            |                 |

appalling  
pretentious  
constricting  
hindmost  
hooy  
minimize OR  
\*minimise  
insurance  
anguish  
astrologers  
conjure  
impenetrable  
scuttlebutt  
roiling  
fodder  
moustache OR  
mustache  
featherbrained  
unprepossessing  
dosages  
clamorous  
epaulet OR  
epaulette  
testosterone  
chanteuse  
liana  
sacristy  
oriole  
samosas  
colonel  
redound  
copse  
adjutant  
primavera

divulge  
embellishes  
inevitable  
eviction  
blight  
flamingos OR  
flamingoes  
dismayed  
increments  
devout  
stalagmite  
intercede  
battalion  
psychiatrist  
sinuously  
scepter OR  
\*sceptre  
immoderate  
scourge  
superintendent  
grimaces  
propound  
marquee  
minivets  
arrondissement  
sibilant  
Salzkammergut  
Ganges  
chalice  
subaltern  
Benedictine  
scabbard  
inexorably  
souterrain  
Upanishads OR  
Upanisads

meditation  
appropriate  
engrossed  
protruding  
fronds  
mechanics  
assuage  
offspring  
Odin  
shrike  
traitorous  
defector  
chalet  
disconcerting  
irreversible  
bipolar  
Carthusian  
arrayed  
irreverent  
exhalation  
inheritance  
chauffeurs  
arret  
proscenium  
carabinieri  
au revoir  
frisson  
niagara  
necromancer  
Etruscan  
arcane  
courtiers  
disgorged  
litany  
maharaja OR  
maharajah

franchise  
rummages  
strife  
substantial  
authority  
bankrupt  
Algiers  
pillage  
parishioner  
Vancouver  
condominium  
livery  
Lutheran  
Jesuit  
barricade  
torpid  
knickerbockers  
countenance  
apparition  
discord  
plumage  
disconsolate  
unsullied  
politesse  
tamarisk  
bitumen  
Aachen  
carrion  
proffered  
cloisters  
soleil