

Indiana Academic Spell Bowl Elementary Division 2017 Word List



1. aardvark
2. abbreviation
3. abeyance
4. abolitionism
5. about-face
6. absolutely
7. academic
8. accessible
9. acclimate
10. accompaniment
11. accountant
12. accumulate
13. accuracy
14. ache
15. Achilles
16. acknowledging
17. acre
18. acrimonious
19. action
20. acuity
21. addressee
22. adjoin
23. admiration
24. adore
25. advantageous
26. advertisement
27. aerial
28. Aesop
29. afterburner
30. aggressive
31. airfoil
32. alas
33. albatross
34. algae
35. all-American
36. alleviate
37. alluring
38. aloha
39. already
40. alternative
41. always
42. ambitious
43. Americanese
44. amphibian
45. anachronism
46. Anchorage
47. anemone
48. animate
49. anklebone
50. anniversary
51. anonymous
52. answered
53. Antarctica
54. anteater
55. Antwerp
56. apoplexy
57. Appaloosa
58. application
59. approval
60. aquarium
61. archaeologist
62. aristocracy
63. arthropod
64. artificial
65. aspen
66. asteroid
67. astrophysicist
68. attendance
69. auditory
70. automobile
71. avocado
72. azure
73. backfire
74. baker's dozen
75. ballerina
76. bamboo
77. barbarian
78. barnacle
79. barricade
80. bassoon
81. beachgoer
82. beacon
83. beehive
84. belief
85. beneficial
86. benevolent
87. bewildered
88. biceps
89. Big Dipper
90. biodegradable
91. blister
92. bluish
93. boisterous
94. bona fide
95. boondoggle
96. bounce
97. bourgeois
98. braiding
99. brazen-faced
100. breeze
101. brigade
102. British Columbia
103. bronze
104. burrito
105. bustled
106. butyl alcohol
107. calculate
108. California
109. camera
110. Canaanite
111. Cape Cod
112. capital
113. captain
114. Carlsbad
115. carnival
116. cartilage
117. cashier
118. castanet
119. caterpillar
120. cavalier
121. cemetery
122. centennial
123. certified
124. chandelier
125. chapel
126. Charlotte
127. chauffeur
128. chief
129. chlorophyll
130. choose
131. chromosome
132. cicada
133. cinnabar
134. clarinet
135. claustrophobic
136. cliff dwelling
137. clothes
138. coarse
139. collage
140. collective
141. Colorado
142. column
143. comet
144. commentator
145. common market
146. commuter
147. comparison
148. compliment
149. compound
150. concave

151. conceivable
 152. concluded
 153. condition
 154. confederacy
 155. congress
 156. coniferous
 157. connection
 158. conscientious
 159. consequence
 160. conspicuous
 161. constituent
 162. continue
 163. convalescence
 164. convex
 165. coordination
 166. cordially
 167. corroborate
 168. cost-benefit
 169. course
 170. Crater Lake
 171. credential
 172. crimson
 173. criticism
 174. crocus
 175. cross-cultural
 176. cross-reference
 177. cucumber
 178. Cumberland Gap
 179. curiosity
 180. custodian
 181. cuticle
 182. cyst
 183. debilitate
 184. decagon
 185. deceive
 186. decimal
 187. decorator
 188. definitely
 189. delicious
 190. dense
 191. depreciated
 192. descend
 193. description
 194. desirable
 195. devious
 196. diameter
 197. dictionary
 198. digestion
 199. diligent
 200. dining
 201. diploma
 202. disappointed
 203. discourage
 204. disinfectant
 205. disposal
 206. distinguished
 207. division
 208. double
 209. doubtful
 210. drive-in
 211. durable
 212. earthquake
 213. eccentric
 214. eclipse
 215. ecosystem
 216. editor
 217. egocentric
 218. elapsed
 219. electromagnetic
 220. eligibility
 221. ellipsis
 222. embarrassment
 223. emigrate
 224. emphasizing
 225. encouraged
 226. endocardium
 227. ennoble
 228. entangle
 229. envelope
 230. equality
 231. equipment
 232. escapade
 233. especially
 234. etiquette
 235. evacuated
 236. everywhere
 237. examine
 238. exclamatory
 239. executive
 240. exertion
 241. exhibit
 242. exoskeleton
 243. expedition
 244. exploration
 245. extinct
 246. extraterrestrial
 247. facilitate
 248. faithfulness
 249. familiar
 250. farsighted
 251. fatality
 252. federalist
 253. festival
 254. fidget
 255. fifteen
 256. filigree
 257. fingerprint
 258. fiscal year
 259. fleck
 260. floodplain
 261. florist
 262. fluorite
 263. foliage
 264. foreign
 265. forfeit
 266. fortifier
 267. forty
 268. fountain
 269. fraction
 270. fraternal
 271. frenzy
 272. frontage
 273. furnace
 274. gable roof
 275. garage
 276. gardenia
 277. gazelle
 278. genealogy
 279. genetic
 280. geranium
 281. ghetto
 282. giraffe
 283. glockenspiel
 284. gnarled
 285. gnat
 286. gondola
 287. graduated
 288. grandeur
 289. gratitude
 290. greenhouse effect
 291. gridlock
 292. groan
 293. ground crew
 294. guide
 295. gymnast
 296. haiku
 297. halogen
 298. hangar
 299. happened
 300. hardworking



301. heckle
 302. heir
 303. hellgrammite
 304. herd
 305. heroes
 306. hide-and-peek
 307. hilarious
 308. hoist
 309. holy
 310. Homo sapiens
 311. honored
 312. horticulturist
 313. hovercraft
 314. hyacinth
 315. hydroelectric
 316. hyperbole
 317. hypothesized
 318. ice-skater
 319. igneous
 320. illustration
 321. imaginative
 322. immense
 323. immobile
 324. impatient
 325. impeccable
 326. impetuous
 327. inauguration
 328. incomparable
 329. incredible
 330. independent
 331. indication
 332. Indonesia
 333. inequality
 334. initiated
 335. innocent
 336. insensitive
 337. inspector
 338. institute
 339. insulation
 340. intelligently
 341. interception
 342. interior
 343. intermediary
 344. intermission
 345. interrogative
 346. interstellar
 347. investment
 348. Ionian Sea
 349. irregular
 350. irresponsible
 351. island
 352. isolated
 353. isosceles
 354. isthmus
 355. itchy
 356. itemize
 357. itinerary
 358. itself
 359. jabber
 360. jack-in-the-pulpit
 361. jaundice
 362. Jeffersonville
 363. jeopardize
 364. jettison
 365. jonquil
 366. journalism
 367. judiciously
 368. jurisdiction
 369. justification
 370. karaoke
 371. keyboard
 372. kindergarten
 373. knife
 374. knothole
 375. know-nothing
 376. kookaburra
 377. laboratory
 378. laid
 379. lanolin
 380. laundry
 381. legato
 382. legitimacy
 383. lengthwise
 384. level
 385. librarian
 386. licorice
 387. lily of the valley
 388. limited
 389. listener
 390. litigation
 391. liverwurst
 392. locality
 393. lone
 394. loose
 395. lozenge
 396. luminous
 397. luxuriance
 398. lyric
 399. macaroni
 400. magnet
 401. maidenhair fern
 402. malachite
 403. malocclusion
 404. mandarin orange
 405. manifesto
 406. manufacturer
 407. marina
 408. marrow
 409. Massachusetts
 410. mathematics
 411. maximum
 412. mechanism
 413. medicine
 414. Mediterranean Sea
 415. megavitamins
 416. memoir
 417. menial
 418. mercury
 419. mesmerized
 420. metabolism
 421. meteor
 422. meticulous
 423. middle ear
 424. migration
 425. millennium
 426. mimicking
 427. minimal
 428. minute
 429. mischievous
 430. mistletoe
 431. mitzvah
 432. modify
 433. moment
 434. monocle
 435. monopoly
 436. mortarboard
 437. mosquito
 438. Mount Rushmore
 439. mummify
 440. museum
 441. mutation
 442. mystified
 443. Nashville
 444. nationality
 445. naturally
 446. Neapolitan
 447. nearsighted
 448. negligence
 449. neighborhood
 450. nevertheless



451. New Mexico
 452. newsstand
 453. niece
 454. nineteen
 455. Noblesville
 456. nomenclature
 457. North America
 458. noticeable
 459. Nova Scotia
 460. nowadays
 461. nutcracker
 462. nylon
 463. obligated
 464. obliterate
 465. obsolete
 466. occupied
 467. octagon
 468. official
 469. Okefenokee
 470. omnivorous
 471. operator
 472. opportunism
 473. optional
 474. orchid
 475. Oregon
 476. original
 477. oval
 478. overpopulation
 479. oyster cracker
 480. pajamas
 481. palette
 482. panacea
 483. parallel
 484. paramedic
 485. parfait
 486. partial
 487. pasteurize
 488. patella
 489. pavement
 490. pearl
 491. pectoral muscle
 492. pedestal
 493. pendulum
 494. Pennsylvania
 495. perishable
 496. permissible
 497. persevere
 498. personnel
 499. petrify
 500. phloem
 501. photosynthesis
 502. piccolo
 503. pierce
 504. pinnacle
 505. pirouette
 506. plaintive
 507. pleasant
 508. plumber
 509. polar
 510. pollen sac
 511. polynomial
 512. porcelain
 513. portray
 514. postage
 515. potassium
 516. precedent
 517. precision
 518. predictable
 519. prehistoric
 520. preposition
 521. pretend
 522. previous
 523. privacy
 524. problematic
 525. processor
 526. productive
 527. projector
 528. promptly
 529. proofreading
 530. protractor
 531. pseudonym
 532. publicist
 533. pumice
 534. purple
 535. pyrite
 536. quadrangle
 537. quandary
 538. quarreling
 539. quartz
 540. quench
 541. queue
 542. quicksilver
 543. quintuplet
 544. quotation
 545. rabble
 546. radial
 547. radius
 548. ramification
 549. ransom
 550. raveled
 551. reassurance
 552. receptacle
 553. recognizing
 554. reconstruction
 555. recurring
 556. reel
 557. referred
 558. regulation
 559. reimburse
 560. release
 561. remedy
 562. remote
 563. replica
 564. reputation
 565. resemblance
 566. residential
 567. resolution
 568. restaurant
 569. reticent
 570. rhinoceros
 571. rhubarb
 572. rhythmist
 573. ridiculous
 574. right triangle
 575. Rio Grande
 576. robotics
 577. rouge
 578. sabbatical
 579. safari
 580. salary
 581. samba
 582. sanctioned
 583. Sarajevo
 584. Saskatchewan
 585. satiable
 586. saturated
 587. saxophone
 588. scalpel
 589. schedule
 590. schism
 591. scissors
 592. scrapped
 593. scriptural
 594. scullery
 595. seasonal
 596. segregate
 597. semicircle
 598. sense
 599. sensor
 600. separate



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| 601. sequoia | 651. sweater | 701. unobtrusive |
| 602. sesame | 652. syllable | 702. unprovoked |
| 603. sheriff | 653. symmetrical | 703. unselfish |
| 604. shining | 654. synchronize | 704. uprising |
| 605. shortening | 655. synthetic | 705. urgency |
| 606. shrill | 656. tablespoonful | 706. Utah |
| 607. sierra | 657. Tallahassee | 707. vacation |
| 608. sightseeing | 658. tangerine | 708. valedictorian |
| 609. significant | 659. Tasmanian devil | 709. vamoose |
| 610. sincerely | 660. taught | 710. Vancouver |
| 611. sketch | 661. teaspoon | 711. varicose |
| 612. slime mold | 662. temperamental | 712. vaudeville |
| 613. smuggle | 663. tenderloin | 713. vehicle |
| 614. sneeze | 664. tentacle | 714. velveteen |
| 615. sodium | 665. terrapin | 715. ventilate |
| 616. solemnly | 666. there | 716. Versailles |
| 617. sophistication | 667. they're | 717. vertical |
| 618. sorghum | 668. thorough | 718. vibrate |
| 619. South America | 669. threateningly | 719. vice-chancellor |
| 620. souvenir | 670. throbbing | 720. victorious |
| 621. spaciousness | 671. throughout | 721. vignette |
| 622. spatula | 672. tidal wave | 722. visible |
| 623. specification | 673. time zone | 723. vocabulary |
| 624. spherical | 674. tip-in | 724. voltage |
| 625. splitting | 675. tissue | 725. voyageur |
| 626. sporadically | 676. Toledo | 726. waist |
| 627. squall | 677. tongue | 727. waltz |
| 628. squirm | 678. toreador | 728. warrantee |
| 629. stalactite | 679. touch | 729. weapon |
| 630. starring | 680. traditional | 730. weigh |
| 631. stegosaurus | 681. transferor | 731. well-known |
| 632. stiletto heel | 682. translucence | 732. wheezed |
| 633. stirring | 683. trapped | 733. whip-poor-will |
| 634. straighten | 684. tremendously | 734. whistling |
| 635. stratum | 685. triage | 735. wickiup |
| 636. strengthened | 686. tricolored | 736. Williamsburg |
| 637. striated muscle | 687. triumphantly | 737. Wisconsin |
| 638. stubborn | 688. troposphere | 738. women |
| 639. style | 689. truce | 739. woolgathering |
| 640. subjacent | 690. tuatara | 740. worst |
| 641. subservient | 691. turbulence | 741. yacht |
| 642. subtrahend | 692. tuxedo | 742. year-end |
| 643. succession | 693. tyrannosaurus | 743. yellowfin tuna |
| 644. sufficient | 694. ultimately | 744. yielding |
| 645. sugarcane | 695. umbelliferous | 745. yoke |
| 646. superficial | 696. unapproachable | 746. Yorkshire pudding |
| 647. superlative | 697. uncle | 747. you're |
| 648. superstition | 698. undisputed | 748. yucca |
| 649. surrender | 699. unfortunate | 749. zither |
| 650. susceptible | 700. unnecessary | 750. zucchini |

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