



# WORD LIST

## IN-SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

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# Hard

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<b>Tankard</b>	<i>The barman filled the tankard with beer. A large one-handed drinking vessel, commonly made of silver, pewter, or glass, sometimes fitted with a hinged lid.</i>
<b>Tagliatelle</b>	<i>Her favourite type of pasta was tagliatelle. A form of pasta made in narrow strips.</i>
<b>Tarpaulin</b>	<i>They made a tent from the tarpaulin. "1. A heavy hard-wearing waterproof fabric made of canvas or similar material coated with tar, wax, or paint, for outdoor use as a protective covering against moisture 2. A sheet of this fabric 3. A hat of or covered with this fabric, esp a sailor's hat"</i>
<b>Thermobarograph</b>	<i>The scientist performed some measurements with a thermobarograph. A device that simultaneously records the temperature and pressure of the atmosphere.</i>
<b>Unforgettable</b>	<i>The holiday was so good it was unforgettable. Impossible to forget; highly memorable.</i>
<b>Unanimous</b>	<i>A unanimous decision was made to stay one more night. In complete or absolute agreement.</i>
<b>Vertigo</b>	<i>The lady often felt unwell due to her vertigo. A sensation of dizziness or abnormal motion resulting from a disorder of the sense of balance.</i>
<b>Vigilante</b>	<i>The vigilante took the law into his own hands. One of an organised group of citizens who take upon themselves the protection of the district, properties, etc.</i>
<b>Acaulescent</b>	<i>The lily is not acaulescent. Having no visible stem or a very short one.</i>
<b>Aspidistra</b>	<i>The aspidistra blossomed in the sun. Any Asian plant of the liliaceous genus, a popular house plant with long tough evergreen leaves and purplish flowers borne on the ground.</i>
<b>Badinage</b>	<i>The badinage was all in good spirit. Playful or frivolous repartee or banter.</i>
<b>Chlorofluorocarbon</b>	<i>The scientist worried that the hole in the ozone was due to chlorofluorocarbon. Noun: (chemistry) any of various gaseous compounds of carbon, hydrogen, chlorine, and fluorine, used as refrigerants, aerosol propellants, solvents, and in foam: some cause a breakdown of ozone in the earth's atmosphere CFC.</i>
<b>Chrysanthemum</b>	<i>Her favourite flower is the chrysanthemum. Noun: 1. any widely cultivated plant of the genus Chrysanthemum, esp C. morifolium of China, having brightly coloured showy flower heads: family Asteraceae (composites) 2. any other plant of the genus Chrysanthemum, such as oxeye daisy.</i>
<b>Diaphanous</b>	<i>The fairy appeared to be diaphanous. Light, delicate, and translucent, (usually of fabrics such as silk).</i>
<b>Edelweiss</b>	<i>The song Edelweiss was made famous in the film The Sound of Music. Noun: a small alpine flowering plant, Leontopodium alpinum, having white woolly oblong leaves and a tuft of attractive floral leaves surrounding the flowers.</i>
<b>Inveigle</b>	<i>The shopkeeper tried to inveigle his customers into spending more. To lead (someone into a situation) or persuade (to do something) by cleverness or trickery; cajole.</i>
<b>Loquacious</b>	<i>The famous face was the loquacious host of a talk show. Characterised by or showing a tendency to talk a great deal.</i>
<b>Sacrosanct</b>	<i>Sunday dinner was sacrosanct in her house. Very sacred or holy; inviolable.</i>

