

Spell Check Sort

Sort words by their standard spelling.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.7.2b "Spell correctly."

NAME _____

DATE _____

CORRECTLY SPELLED

A correctly spelled word uses the standard order of letters. You would find this spelling in a dictionary.

calendar

MISSPELLED

A misspelled word has one or more letters that are missing, added, switched, or incorrect. Compare it with a dictionary spelling to check it.

tommorow

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle the category for each word, then in Part 2 choose two words and explain how you knew each word was spelled correctly or incorrectly.

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| 1. accommodate | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 2. privilege | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 3. goverment | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 4. mischievous | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 5. independant | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 6. pronunciation | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 7. exaggerate | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |
| 8. embarass | ☐ CORRECT | ☐ MISSPELLED |

2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Write one new correctly spelled word and one new misspelled word. Do not copy a word from this page.

CORRECT _____

MISSPELLED _____

CHALLENGE

Write one sentence that includes a correctly spelled multisyllable word and a different word you intentionally misspell. Circle the correctly spelled word and underline the misspelled word.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	accommodate	CORRECT	The word is correctly spelled with double c and double m.
2	privilege	CORRECT	The word is correctly spelled with i in the second syllable.
3	goverment	MISSPELLED	Government needs an n before ment.
4	mischievous	CORRECT	The word is correctly spelled.
5	independant	MISSPELLED	Independent ends with ent, not ant.
6	pronounciation	MISSPELLED	The correct spelling is pronunciation, without the first o after n.
7	exaggerate	CORRECT	The word is correctly spelled with double g.
8	embarass	MISSPELLED	Embarrass needs two r letters and two s letters.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **CORRECT:** rhythm
- **MISSPELLED:** recieve

Challenge: The (astronomer) recorded the stars, but the notes were _incompleet_.

For Part 2, students may explain by naming a missing, extra, or incorrect letter, or by referring to the standard dictionary spelling. Part 3 misspelled examples may vary if the intended correct word is clear.