

Spell Check Sort

Spot standard spellings and spelling errors.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.8.2c "Spell correctly."

NAME _____

DATE _____

CORRECTLY SPELLED

This word matches its standard dictionary spelling. Its letters are in the right order.

museum

MISSPELLED

This word does not match its standard dictionary spelling. It may have a missing, extra, switched, or wrong letter.

musuem

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle the tag for each word, then choose two item numbers and explain which letters or spelling pattern helped you decide.

1. privilege

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

2. embarrass

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

3. conscientious

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

4. rhythm

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

5. occurrence

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

6. separate

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

7. definately

CORRECT

MISSPELLED

8. indispensable

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.

CORRECT _____

MISSPELLED _____

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence using your correctly spelled word, then name one spelling check you used.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	privilege	CORRECT	The standard spelling is privilege, with no d.
2	embarass	MISSPELLED	The standard spelling is embarrass, with double r and double s.
3	conscientious	CORRECT	The standard spelling is conscientious.
4	rhythm	CORRECT	The standard spelling is rhythm.
5	occurance	MISSPELLED	The standard spelling is occurrence, ending in -ence.
6	separate	CORRECT	The standard spelling is separate.
7	definately	MISSPELLED	The standard spelling is definitely.
8	indispensable	CORRECT	The standard spelling is indispensable.

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:** necessary
- **MISSPELLED:** untill

Challenge: The necessary supplies were on the table. I checked the word in a dictionary.

For Part 2, accept explanations that accurately identify letter patterns, missing or extra letters, or dictionary checking. In Part 3, accept any valid new examples that fit the categories, including untill as a misspelling of until.