Spell Check Sort

Spot standard spellings and spelling errors.

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

NAME _____ DATE _____

CORRECTLY SPELLED	MISSPELLED
This word matches its standard dictionary spelling. Its letters are in the right order. museum	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.	embarass	CORRECT MISSPELLED
3.	conscientious	CORRECT MISSPELLED
4.	rhythm	CORRECT MISSPELLED
5.	occurrance	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.

ANSWER KEY # Spell Check Sort

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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	occurrance	**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.