

Spell Check Sort

Decide which words are ready to use and which need correction.

10.LU.2.C "Spell correctly, consulting reference materials to check as needed."

NAME _____

DATE _____

SPELLED CORRECTLY

These words match their accepted dictionary spellings. You can use a dictionary or another trusted reference to confirm a spelling.

definitely

SPELLING ERROR

These words do not match their accepted dictionary spellings. Check a trusted reference, then correct the word before using it in final writing.

seperate

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle CORRECT or INCORRECT for each word, then choose two words and explain what spelling evidence or reference material helped you decide.

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| 1. accommodate | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 2. fluorescent | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 3. independant | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 4. questionnaire | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 5. privilege | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 6. embarassment | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 7. reccomend | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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| 8. rhythm | <input type="button" value="CORRECT"/> | <input type="button" value="INCORRECT"/> |
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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 CORRECT word and one new INCORRECT word that has a spelling error.

CORRECT _____

INCORRECT _____

CHALLENGE

Choose a word you are not fully sure how to spell, check it in a dictionary or other trusted reference, write the correct word in a sentence, and name the reference you used.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	accommodate	CORRECT	The word is spelled with double c and double m.
2	fluorescent	CORRECT	This is the accepted spelling of the adjective for giving off light.
3	independant	INCORRECT	The correct spelling is independent.
4	questionnaire	CORRECT	The word is spelled with double n in the middle.
5	privilege	CORRECT	The word ends in -ilege, not -ledge.
6	embarassment	INCORRECT	The correct spelling is embarrassment, with double r and double s.
7	reccomend	INCORRECT	The correct spelling is recommend, with one c and double m.
8	rhythm	CORRECT	This is the accepted spelling of the word for a repeated beat or pattern.

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:** calendar
- **INCORRECT:** tommorrow

Challenge: I checked the word “maintenance” in Merriam-Webster's Learner's Dictionary. Regular maintenance keeps the school bus safe.

Accept reasonable explanations in Part 2 when students correctly identify a spelling pattern or name a credible reference. For Part 3, accept any new correctly spelled word and any clearly misspelled word.