

Spell Checkpoint

Sort spellings, then verify your choices with a reference.

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

NAME _____

DATE _____

CORRECTLY SPELLED

This word is spelled as a standard dictionary records it.

accommodate

NEEDS CORRECTION

This word has at least one spelling error. Use a reliable dictionary or spelling reference to find the standard spelling.

seperate

1 SORT _____ 8 items

For Part 1, circle the category for every word; for Part 2, choose two words and explain how a dictionary or another reference confirmed each spelling.

1. conscientious

CORRECT

INCORRECT

2. questionnaire

CORRECT

INCORRECT

3. fluorescense

CORRECT

INCORRECT

4. equilibrium

CORRECT

INCORRECT

5. pronunciation

CORRECT

INCORRECT

6. millenium

CORRECT

INCORRECT

7. supersede

CORRECT

INCORRECT

8. indispensable

CORRECT

INCORRECT

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

Part 3: Write one new correctly spelled word and one new word that needs correction. Do not repeat a word from Part 1 or the rule box.

CORRECT _____

INCORRECT _____

CHALLENGE

Write a 12- to 18-word sentence using one word you checked in a dictionary, then name the reference you used.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	conscientious	CORRECT	Standard spelling.
2	questionnaire	CORRECT	Standard spelling.
3	fluorescence	INCORRECT	The standard spelling is fluorescence.
4	equilibrium	CORRECT	Standard spelling.
5	pronunciation	INCORRECT	The standard spelling is pronunciation.
6	millenium	INCORRECT	The standard spelling is millennium.
7	supersede	CORRECT	Standard spelling.
8	indispensable	CORRECT	Standard spelling.

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:** exhilarate
- **INCORRECT:** embarass

Challenge: After consulting a dictionary, I used the word ubiquitous to describe the advertisements. Reference: Merriam-Webster.com, "ubiquitous."

For Part 2, accept a specific dictionary, print or digital, or another reliable spelling reference as evidence. Part 3 sample correction: embarass should be embarrass.