

Spelling Placement Test F

To Begin: "Number your paper from one to twenty. I will say the word once, use the word in a sentence, then say the word again. Write the word beside the correct number on your paper."

1. galaxy	Our galaxy is the Milky Way.	galaxy
2. attempt	She will attempt a headstand.	attempt
3. symbol	An eagle is the symbol of America.	symbol
4. octagon	The sign is shaped like an octagon .	octagon
5. edible	These cookies are not edible .	edible
6. apology	He wrote a note of apology .	apology
7. equipment	We have new science equipment .	equipment
8. exercise	Our bodies need exercise .	exercise
9. cafeteria	The cafeteria is serving dinner now.	cafeteria
10. cursive	Her cursive writing is beautiful.	cursive
11. shoulder	I hit my shoulder on the shelf.	shoulder
12. capitol	We saw the capitol building.	capitol
13. discover	What did you discover in the box?	discover
14. passenger	I was the last passenger to board.	passenger
15. decision	That is a hard decision .	decision
16. community	Our community is very friendly.	community
17. vacant	We cleaned the vacant lot.	vacant
18. project	My science project is due Tuesday.	project
19. straight	I can't get these lines straight .	straight
20. explain	I had to explain why I was late.	explain

To Evaluate:

One of the great strengths of home education is the ability to allow children to work at the appropriate level without concern for "keeping up" with peers. Our Spelling program is designed with A-F levels (rather than Grade 1, Grade 2, etc.), which lends itself to this flexibility. We strongly suggest that you use Placement Tests to choose the book that most closely matches your child's current spelling proficiency, regardless of grades or levels.

If your child correctly spells 17 to 20 words:

- Assign the Level F program.
- Encourage your child to work independently.
- Assign all Challenge activities.
- Use the supplemental activities (1 per week) from Appendix A.

If your child correctly spells 8 to 16 words:

- Assign the Level F program.
- Allow occasional opportunities to work independently.
- Regularly offer Challenge activities.

If your child correctly spells 0 to 7 words:

- Administer the Level E placement test.
- Based on the results, you may either:
 - a) Assign the Level E worktext.
 - -OR-
 - b) Assign the Level F worktext, but:
 - —Use regular lessons only without the Challenge activities.
 - —Consider adapting your schedule to complete each lesson over more than 1 week, with each day's activities broken up to allow extra time (and avoid rushing to complete assignments).