

Read the spelling words and sentences.

1. respectfully	<i>respectfully</i>	Both leaders bowed respectfully .
2. connotation	<i>connotation</i>	Red has a connotation of danger.
3. descent	<i>descent</i>	Our descent to the valley was easy.
4. confidently	<i>confidently</i>	A speaker strode confidently onstage.
5. continually	<i>continually</i>	That phone rings continually .
6. canvass	<i>canvass</i>	I need time to canvass the voters.
7. emigrant	<i>emigrant</i>	Ruth is an emigrant from Poland.
8. morale	<i>morale</i>	Team morale is high after the victory.
9. assent	<i>assent</i>	Did they assent to the plan?
10. denotation	<i>denotation</i>	The denotation of red is a color.
11. dissent	<i>dissent</i>	Such dissent among friends is unusual.
12. imminent	<i>imminent</i>	Their arrival home is imminent .
13. moral	<i>moral</i>	The fable has a very clear moral .
14. immigrant	<i>immigrant</i>	Any immigrant may study English here.
15. eminent	<i>eminent</i>	Yo-Yo Ma is an eminent cellist.
16. confidentially	<i>confidentially</i>	Speak to Dr. Kangas confidentially .
17. canvas	<i>canvas</i>	The picture is painted on canvas .
18. continuously	<i>continuously</i>	Waves form in the ocean continuously .
19. ascent	<i>ascent</i>	His ascent to the cliff top was slow.
20. respectively	<i>respectively</i>	List pets and breeds, respectively .

Think & Sort the spelling words.

1–20. Write each pair of commonly confused words.

Remember

Words with similar spellings and meanings are often confused.

**Spelling
Tutor**

Word Meanings

Write the spelling word that matches each definition.

1. in the order given
2. concerned with correct or ethical conduct
3. the literal meaning of a word
4. heavy cloth used for sails and tents
5. movement downward
6. without interruption; unceasing
7. courteously
8. what a word implies
9. to disagree
10. conduct a survey

Phrase Completion

Write the spelling word that best completes each phrase.

11. whispering the information _____
12. baby crying _____
13. showing _____ by nodding yes
14. popular candidate _____ waiting for Election Day
15. losses lowering the team's _____
16. long, tiring _____ to the summit

Use the
Dictionary

Etymologies can help distinguish between confusing word pairs. Use the **Spelling Dictionary** to look up etymologies for the following pairs of words. Write the spelling word that correctly completes each sentence.

emigrant, immigrant eminent, imminent

17. The _____ came to the United States to begin a new life.
18. The _____ left Ireland during a severe food shortage.
19. We feared that a storm was _____.
20. The guest of honor was an _____ author.

Word Meanings

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

9.

10.

Phrase Completion

11.

12.

13.

14.

15.

16.

Use the Dictionary

17.

18.

19.

20.

Connections to READING

ascent	assent	immigrant	dissent	connotation
canvass	moral	respectfully	canvas	denotation
eminent	imminent	confidentially	descent	confidently
emigrant	continually	continuously	morale	respectively

Complete the Sentences

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

9.

10.

Complete the Analogies

11.

12.

13.

14.

15.

16.

Use Context Clues

17.

18.

19.

20.

Complete the Sentences

Write the spelling word that best completes each sentence.

1. My grandparents are of Chinese _____.
2. My parents provide financial and _____ support.
3. The color gray has a _____ of gloom or sadness.
4. The mayor's _____ to a higher position was rapid.
5. I was disappointed, but a day's rest improved my _____.
6. Believe in yourself; go through life _____!
7. Make sure that you ask _____ rather than demand rudely.
8. Dr. Long is a beloved, _____ doctor in Dallas.
9. She is not a native but arrived as an _____ last year.
10. I read every volume of his autobiography and reported on each, _____.

Complete the Analogies

Write the spelling word that best completes each analogy.

11. **Occasionally** is to **seldom** as **regularly** is to _____.
12. **Announcement** is to **publicly** as **secret** is to _____.
13. **Past** is to **future** as **previous** is to _____.
14. **No** is to **refuse** as **yes** is to _____.
15. **Reveal** is to **disclose** as **poll** is to _____.
16. **Manual** is to **direction** as **dictionary** is to _____.

Use Context Clues

Write spelling words from the box to complete the paragraph.

Louise Nevelson, an 17. who left Russia in 1905, held on to her dream in the face of much 18. This artist did not paint on 19. but instead worked with wood and "found objects." Believing in herself 20., Nevelson was eventually recognized as a brilliant artist with a unique style.

continuously
dissent
emigrant
canvas

Proofread a Paragraph

Proofread the paragraph below for ten misspelled words. Then rewrite the paragraph. Write the spelling words correctly and make the corrections indicated by the proofreading marks.

I see myself as a visual artist whose ascent to fame is slow and difficult. Despite having to continually defend my work, I maintain my high moral by reminding myself that many artists are misunderstood in their lifetime. Despite unfriendly critics, I continue to paint confidently in oils, creating canvases after canvas of lifelike urban scenes. I believe that one day, while exhibiting at a local gallery, my work will be discovered by an eminent art critic who will then ascent to publicize it. From that moment on, I will be treated respectfully by the public, and I will be able to command the prices that my work deserves. Confidentially, I think that day is imminent!

Proofreading Marks

≡	Make Uppercase
/	Make Lowercase
^	Add
~	Delete
⊙	Add a Period
⌞	Indent

Informative/Explanatory Writing

Write a Paragraph

What type of work would you find so satisfying that it would not seem like work? Write about the work you dream of doing someday. Use as many spelling words as you can.

- Use the writing process: prewrite, draft, revise, edit, and publish.
- Decide what talents and abilities you enjoy using most.
- Consider various careers that use those skills and talents. Choose one career and imagine how you might reach a satisfying position in the field.
- Use complete sentences with correct capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling.
- Read your paragraph. Circle three words that may be misspelled. Use an electronic resource to check the spelling.

Transfer

In your Spelling Journal, start a list of words that you confuse easily. Write the definitions next to each word. Watch and listen for these and other words when you are reading or listening to others talk.

Word Study

Meaning Mastery

A

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

9.

10.

11.

12.

B

13.

14.

15.

16.

17.

18.

C

19.

20.

affect	emigrant	immigration	denotation	ascent
effect	immigrant	emigration	connotation	assent
canvass	moral	respectfully	continuously	descent
canvas	morale	respectively	continually	dissent
disburse	discrete	persecution	confidentially	device
disperse	discreet	prosecution	confidently	devise
eminent	imminent	creditable	credible	

Use words from the list above to complete these exercises.

Meaning Mastery

A. Write the pairs of commonly confused words that match the synonyms in the pairs below. Make sure to write the words in the same order as the synonyms.

1-2. gadget/create

3-4. rising/agree

5-6. meaning/implication

7-8. lowering/disagree

9-10. politely/in order

11-12. proverb/spirit

B. Write the word that is often confused with the word that is defined below.

13. one who enters and settles in a foreign country

14. a heavy fabric made of cotton, hemp, or flax

15. about to occur

16. one who leaves his or her residence to settle somewhere else

17. something that causes one to suffer

18. careful or modest

C. Write the spelling words that belong in the group below.

19-20. uninterrupted, steady, unceasing

Social Studies

Word Hunt

Read the passage below and notice words that are commonly confused.

In 1912 young suffragists Alice Paul and Lucy Burns met with Carrie Chapman Catt, the eminent leader of NAWSA (National American Woman Suffrage Association). The activists believed women's suffrage was imminent. However, Paul and Burns were tired of waiting. They wanted to push for a constitutional amendment. Catt wanted to fight the battle in each state. The younger women decided to respectfully dissent. They formed the National Woman's Party (NWP).

The NWP requested meetings with President Wilson who continually put them off. Boldly, Paul and Burns organized a picketing campaign in front of the White House. World War I had started, and the American public had no patience for picketers. The women were ordered to disperse. When they refused, they were arrested and sent to prison. Their treatment there was nothing less than persecution. They were subjected to solitary confinement and were forced to wear straightjackets. When Paul started a hunger strike in protest, the warden ordered forced feedings.

A sympathetic guard gave Paul a pen and paper. Paul documented the prison conditions in detail. When she heard that a senator was visiting, she had a note slipped to him confidentially. The senator was appalled. News of the women's treatment had a great effect on public opinion. It shifted in favor of the suffragettes. President Wilson could not avoid them any longer. In a speech before Congress, he came out in support of the amendment. Alice Paul and the others were released from prison.

For Alice Paul, Lucy Burns, and other members of the NWP, voting rights was a moral issue. They had put their lives on the line to fight for it. On Aug. 26, 1920, the Susan B. Anthony Amendment became law, and 20 million American women finally won the right to vote.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

9.

10.

**WORD SORT**

1-10. Find and write commonly confused words from the list on page 170.