Spelling Reference List

A a

about
above
ache
after
again
ago
all
alike
along
also
always
am
America
among
an
and
animal
another
answer
any
are
around
ask
ate
away

B b

baby babies
back
be
beautiful
because
bed
been
before
begin beginning
believe
best
better
big
black
blue
birthday
book
boy
break
bring
brother
bought
brown
built
but
business
busy
buy
by

C c

call
came
can
cannot can't
car
careful carefully
carry
cat
caught
children
choose
Christmas
city
clean
clothes
cold
color
come coming
could
country
cousin
cry

D d

day
dear
decide
did
didn't
different
do
doctor
does
done
don't
door
down
dry
duck

E e

each
early
easy
eat
egg
eight
else
end
enough
especially
ever
every
everybody
eye
Easter

F f

fall
family
far
fast
father
February
feel
fell
few
finally
find
fine
fire
first
five
fly
food
for
forty
found
friend
frightened
from
full
fun
funny

G g

game
gave
get
getting
girl
give
glad
go goes
going
good
good-by
got
grammar
great
green
grow
guess

H h

had
half
hard
happened
happy
has
have having
haven't
he
hear
heard
help
her
here
him
his
hold
home
hope
horse
hot
hour
house
how
hurry
hurt
Halloween

I i

I'll
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I've
if
in
instead
interesting
into
is
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its
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J j

jar
join
jump
just

K k

keep
kind
kitchen
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knew
know

L l

laid
large
last
late
laugh
learn
leave
left
let
let's (let us)
letter
light
like

little
live
locked
long
look
loose
lose
lost
love
lunch

M m

made
make making
man
many
may
meant
men
minute
money
more
morning
most
mother
much
must
my
myself

N n

name
near
neighbor
nest
never
new
next
nice
night
nobody
none
not
nothing
now
number

O o

o'clock
of
off
often
old
on
once
one
only
or
order
open
other
our
out
outside
over
own

P p

paid
paint
paper
party
pass
past
pay
people
pet
pick
picture
piece
pig
place
play
please
possible
pretty
probably
pull
push
put

Q q

quack
quarrel
queen
quick
quiet
quite

R r

raise
ran
rang
read
ready
reason
receive received
ride
riding
right
room
round
rule
run running

S s

safe
said
sang
saw
says
school
secret
see
seems
send
separate
seven
shall
she
shoes
should
show
side
sing
sister
sit
sleep
small
smile
snow
so
something
soon
special
start
stay
stop stopped
store
straight
success
summer
suppose
sure
surprise

T t

take
talk
teacher
tell
test
than
thank
Thanksgiving
that
the
their
them
then
there
these
they
they're
thing
think
this
those
thought
three
through
though
time
tired
to
today
together
told
tomorrow
tonight
too
took
town
trouble
truly
try
Tuesday
two

U u

until
up
us
use

W w

walk
want
warm
was
wash
water
way
wear
weather
Wednesday
week (7 days)
well
want
were
what
when
where
whether
which
while
white
who
whole
why
will
winter
wish
with
woman
won't
work
would
write writing
wrote

Y y

yard
year
yellow
yes
yesterday
you
you'll
your
you're

Z z

zero

MAKING MATERIALS: Spelling reference list for older students

These masters are for a double-sided spelling reference list suitable for older students. The words in this list include the Dolch 220 words, high-use writing words, and frequently misspelled words. There are some nouns that fit these categories, but most of the words are other parts of speech. Copy the two pages double-sided, put into a plastic sleeve, and have students keep this reference tool in a notebook or writing folder.

The words in this list are spelling nemeses for many students. If they have this sheet for quick reference, students are more apt to check for correct spelling and eventually memorize them.

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MAKING MATERIALS: Spelling dictionaries containing high-frequency words

Masters for spelling dictionaries for young students are also available for download. The 14 masters are the pages of a booklet, which can be a powerful reading and writing tool.

Pages are a compilation of the Dolch 220 list (words in bold) and other high-frequency reading and writing lists. As children write sentences and stories, they should use their dictionaries to find words they need to spell. Many students do not have instant recognition of all words, so they are developing both decoding and encoding skills. Other needed words can be written on the blank lines.

Each dictionary is comprised of 7 sheets of paper printed printed double-sided. The sheets are then folded to form a 5.5 x 8.5 inch booklet.

Copy the 14 spelling dictionary masters double-sided. Each dictionary requires 7 sheets of paper. Assemble the 7 sheets in this order (Place the cover on bottom and arrange pages with backs facing up (L M ends up on top):

FRONT		BACK	
Outside back/front cover		Inside front/back cover	
Z	Title	(blank)	Y
W	A	B	V
U	C	D	TH
T	E	F	S
R	G	H	Q
P	I	J	O
N	K	L	M

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loose
lose
lost
love
lunch
_____
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M m

made
must
make making
my
man
myself
many
May (month)
may
March
me
Monday
meant
_____
men
_____
mess
_____
milk
_____
minute
_____
money
_____
more
_____
morning
_____
most
_____
mother
_____
much
_____

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