

Scripps National Spelling Bee Study Words for Seventh Graders 2017-2018

atoll paralysis incarcerated reservoir monomania miracle chimpanzee truculently taxidermy appendectomy callous peroxide generalissimo piteously subterranean grandiose amputation vociferous strenuous financiers dexterity intimation treacherous conspiracy merengue orthopedic* or barrette sinewy claustrophobic conundrum orthopaedic cordial flabbergasted Methuselah atrocity sphinx voluminous alacrity boisterously entrepreneurs lama marmalade linoleum monsieur propaganda celerity pièce de résistance orchids tapirs conspicuous acacias despondency premonition repugnance proviso Seminole composure impeccable dragoons memorandum hallucinations iauntily contagious gargoyle pastrami endeavor* or endeavour Hispaniola stevedores anecdote germinate labyrinthine commendable brigands parenthetical quantum excruciating calamine incessant mandible crematoria lichenous ricochet exasperation crampon massacres chandeliers tribulations sophomore Sherpa petulance uncoquettish facilitate reprobate azalea malign tempestuous fluorescent boroughs extenuation annoyance **Pyrenees**

This list includes 50 challenging seventh grade words and, to extend learning, 50 challenging eighth grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these 100 words, you will be well prepared for a seventh grade classroom bee. If you would like to be well prepared for a school spelling bee, ask your teacher for the 450-word School Spelling Bee Study List.

*preferred U.S. spelling









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Seventh Grade Source Books (the first 50 words may be found in these books):

- <u>No Better Friend: Young Readers Edition: A Man, a Dog, and Their Incredible True Story of Friendship and Survival in World War II</u> by Robert Weintraub
 - *Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson
 - Laugh with the Moon by Shana Burg
 - Finding Perfect by Elly Swartz
 - Redwall by Brian Jacques

Eighth Grade Source Books (the last 50 words may be found in these books):

- The Race to Save the Lord God Bird by Phillip Hoose
- *The Time Machine* by H.G. Wells
- Northanger Abbey by Jane Austen
- Peak by Roland Smith
- The Girl from Everywhere by Heidi Heilig
- Steelheart by Brandon Sanderson

