



Scripps National Spelling Bee

Study Words for Fourth Graders

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insect	narrow	castle	crooked	intersect
scale	lazily	bicycle	warmth	slobbery
crept	primers	village	craggy	valuables
speak	marbles	promptly	Icelandic	expensive
carving	tennis	matron	temple	Venice
oval	world	produce	engraved	breakfast
purse	kettle	horrid	newlyweds	salvation
mossy	shelves	invitation	protested	unison
cattle	crumpled	faucet	amusing	diagram
offer	mailboxes	enormous	cinders	spinster
hairpin	perhaps	canal	abroad	grocery
clipper	nannies	shilling	superb	pastures
marsh	button	halter	Norse	neglected
shabby	alley	basting	custody	receptions
hushed	sprinkle	hornet	sullen	energetic
manner	complete	Viking	Bollywood	plantations
scraped	diaper	chapel	clambering	decent
impact	transporting	pouted	strident	survival
breeze	lukewarm	aspect	severely	disguise
standoff	violet	rotating	manure	undesirable

This list includes 50 challenging fourth grade words and, to extend learning, 50 challenging fifth grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these 100 words, you will be well prepared for a fourth 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.



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Sources for Your Spelling Bee Study List

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

- [*Out of Darkness: The Story of Louis Braille*](#) by Russell Freedman
- [*Stuart Little*](#) by E.B. White
- [*The Wild Robot*](#) by Peter Brown
- [*The Ogre of Oglefort*](#) by Eva Ibbotson
- [*Gregor the Overlander*](#) by Suzanne Collins

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

- [*Guts & Glory: The Vikings*](#) by Ben Thompson
- [*The Hundred and One Dalmatians*](#) by Dodie Smith
- [*The Thief Lord*](#) by Cornelia Funke
- [*Save Me a Seat*](#) by Gita Varadarajan and Sarah Weeks
- [*Moo: A Novel*](#) by Sharon Creech

