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Sources for Your Spelling Bee Study List

2016-2017

Where do my study words come from?

The Scripps National Spelling Bee is pleased to partner with presenting sponsor Kindle in creating a new kind of spelling bee study experience. Good words come from good books, and this year each word on the study list can be found in one of the exciting Kindle e-book titles listed below. Each of these books is available on Kindle e-readers as well as the Kindle app and is enabled with Word Wise to help spellers master the meanings of words while seeing them in context.

Kindle puts the tools and resources spellers need right in their own hands. With a Kindle e-reader, students can bring thousands of books with them without weighing down backpacks, and unique features teach new words quickly without ever having to leave the page. Adventure and knowledge await with Kindle and the School Spelling Bee Study List!

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Word Wise



Short and simple definitions within the context of the sentence automatically appear above difficult words to improve comprehension.

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Children can view their reading progress for each book, track reading accomplishments for each day and earn achievement badges for reaching milestones.

First Grade Source Books:

- [*Dodsworth in New York*](#) by Tim Egan
- [*The One in the Middle Is the Green Kangaroo*](#) by Judy Blume
- [*Dory Fantasmagory*](#) by Abby Hanlon
- [*Amazing Armadillos \(Step into Reading\)*](#) by Jennifer Mckerley
- [*Nate the Great*](#) by Marjorie Weinman Sharma

Second Grade Source Books:

- [*The Year of Billy Miller*](#) by Kevin Henkes
- [*Ivy and Bean \(Book 1\)*](#) by Annie Barrows
- [*A to Z Mysteries: The Absent Author*](#) by Ron Roy
- [*The Titanic: Lost and Found \(Step into Reading\)*](#) by Judy Donnelly
- [*My Father's Dragon*](#) by Ruth Stiles Gannett



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Third Grade Source Books:

- [*Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse*](#) by Tamera Will Wissinger
- [*The One and Only Ivan*](#) by Katherine Applegate
- [*The Mouse and the Motorcycle*](#) by Beverly Cleary
- [*Lulu and the Brontosaurus*](#) by Judith Viorst
- [*Who Was Isaac Newton?*](#) by Janet B. Pascal
- [*Mr. Popper's Penguins*](#) by Richard Atwater

Fourth Grade Source Books:

- [*The Penderwicks*](#) by Jeanne Birdsall
- [*Flora & Ulysses*](#) by Kate DiCamillo
- [*Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*](#) by Grace Lin
- [*The Mad Potter: George E. Ohr, Eccentric Genius*](#) by Jan Greenberg and Sandra Jordan
- [*The Phantom Tollbooth*](#) by Norton Juster

Fifth Grade Source Books:

- [*Out of My Mind*](#) by Sharon Draper
- [*Howl's Moving Castle*](#) by Diana Wynne Jones
- [*Matilda*](#) by Roald Dahl
- [*The Candymakers*](#) by Wendy Mass
- [*Byrd & Igloo: A Polar Adventure*](#) by Samantha Seiple
- [*The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*](#) by L. Frank Baum

Sixth Grade Source Books:

- [*A Single Shard*](#) by Linda Sue Park
- [*The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*](#) by Jacqueline Kelly
- [*A Wrinkle in Time*](#) by Madeleine L'Engle
- [*Peter and the Starcatchers*](#) by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson
- [*The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Young Readers Edition*](#) by William Kamkwamba
- [*Little Lord Fauntleroy*](#) by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Seventh Grade Source Books:

- [*Wildwood*](#) by Colin Meloy
- [*Heroes, Gods and Monsters of the Greek Myths*](#) by Bernard Evslin
- [*Cinder*](#) by Marissa Meyer
- [*The Boys in the Boat \(Young Readers Adaptation\): Nine Americans and their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics*](#) by Daniel James Brown
- [*The Hobbit*](#) by J.R.R. Tolkien

Eighth Grade Source Books:

- [*The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie*](#) by Alan Bradley
- [*Uglies*](#) by Scott Westerfeld
- [*The Princess Bride*](#) by William Goldman
- [*Bomb: The Race to Build—and Steal—the World's Most Dangerous Weapon*](#) by Steve Sheinkin
- [*The Terrifying Tales*](#) by Edgar Allan Poe