The School Spelling Bee Study List is broken down into three levels of difficulty: One Bee, Two Bee and Three Bee. Three Bee words include words appropriate for seventh and eighth grade.

The list below includes 100 challenging eighth grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these words, you will be well prepared for your eighth-grade classroom bee. To prepare for a school spelling bee, ask your teacher for the full 450-word School Spelling Bee Study List, which includes these words, the remainder of the Three Bee words, and the One Bee and Two Bee words.

| effigy | vestments | Lithuania |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Azores | tankard | starboard |
| maneuverable | lurid | blasphemous |
| chemotherapy | proscribed | emigrate |
| Zimbabwe | impudence | oncologist |
| inaudible | telenovelas | mullioned |
| benighted | philology | prophetically |
| cul-de-sac | pell-mell | Sanskrit |
| parathas | rejoinder | preternaturally |
| canid | forsooth | masa |
| Leander | pneumonia | subservient |
| mercenary | trey | urchins |
| xylem | fumatorium | deign |
| catastrophe | infrared | mausoleum |
| incontrovertible | assimilation | conjugate |
| commemoration | conifers | Beijing |
| architrave | andromeda | Spandau |
| estampies | Penelope | roulette |
| lustrum | Arcturus | hobbledehoy |
| **eurhythmics | miscellaneous | sackbuts |
| OR eurythmics | caparisoned | doppelgänger |
| tilapia | $* *$ misericords | aye-aye |
| Piraeus | OR misericordes | Camelot |

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| trilby | Jicarilla | thurible |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vesuvian | saltarellos | chatelaine |
| cuirass | chachalacas | urad |
| hurdy-gurdy | Alhambra | kumkum |
| kirpan | **biryani | Sikhism |
| cirrhosis | OR biriani | cirque |
| nom de plume | Bangalore | marguerite |
| Tamil | undine | clerisy |
| nares | garderobe | carillon |
| cortege | Andalusian | fado |
| athenaeum | Gaels | chiasmus |
| OR atheneum | Ayurvedic |  |

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