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

The list below includes 50 challenging **fourth** grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these words, you will be well prepared for your fourth-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 Two Bee words, and the One Bee and Three Bee words.

1.	comic	noun	a set of cartoons or drawings arranged to form a story.
2.	awesome	adjective	extremely or amazingly good.
3.	Wi-Fi	certification mark	 used to certify the compatibility of wireless computer networking devices.
4.	glide	verb	to move with a quiet smoothness.
5.	spading	verb	digging with a tool resembling a shovel that is used for turning soil.
6.	sifting	verb	studying or examining carefully and extracting the good, essential, or desirable.
7.	railings	plural noun	barriers (such as fences) consisting of usually wooden or metal bars and supports.
8.	pitch-black	adjective	extremely dark.
9.	jinx	noun	something that is felt to bring bad luck; especially : an evil spell.
10.	hummingbird	noun	a small feathered animal with a slender bill and a long tongue.
11.	hauling	verb	transporting from one place to another in a vehicle.
12.	nimble	adjective	marked by quick light movement : agile.
13.	slippery	adjective	causing one to slide or fall down.
14.	hitched	verb	fastened by a hook or knot.
15.	tingle	verb	to experience or feel a ringing, stinging, prickling, or thrilling sensation.
16.	ebb	verb	to fall from a higher to a lower level (as of activity) or from a better to a worse state.



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17.	chase	verb	to follow usually rapidly and intently : to pursue.
18.	doodled	verb	made an aimless scribble or drawing while one is thinking about something else.
19.	everlasting	adjective	continuing forever.
20.	snooty	adjective	haughtily or arrogantly contemptuous : snobbish.
21.	innings	plural noun	divisions in baseball consisting of a turn at bat for each team.
22.	upbeat	adjective	marked by optimism : optimistic, cheerful, happy.
23.	trout	noun	any of various mostly freshwater fishes that are usually smaller than salmon and are highly regarded for their attractive colors and rich well-flavored flesh.
24.	joggled	verb	shook slightly : jostled.
25.	waist	noun	the part of the body between the chest and hips.
26.	landline	noun	a wire or a whole system of wires connecting one telephone station with another for communication.
27.	sparrow	noun	any of numerous finches having feathers streaked with brown or gray.
28.	whizzed	verb	flew or moved swiftly with a hissing or buzzing sound.
29.	weave	verb	to form (cloth) by interlacing strands (as of yarn).
30.	slivers	plural noun	long slender pieces cut or torn off : splinters.
31.	spellbound	adjective	held by or as if by a charm or incantation : fascinated.
32.	former	adjective	having been at some earlier time : onetime.
33.	cottonwood	noun	a fast-growing American tree that has a tuft of downy hairs on the seed.
34.	bossiness	noun	the quality or state of being like a dictator or like someone who rules over others in an oppressive or unjust way.



2022-2023 Two Bee Study Words with Definitions for Fourth Grade

35.	blotch	noun	a spot or mark (as of color or ink) especially when large or oddly shaped.
36.	easily	adverb	without difficulty.
37.	skidded	verb	slipped sideways on the road.
38.	overseas	adverb	beyond or across the oceans : abroad.
39.	sheepish	adjective	embarrassed by awareness of a fault.
40.	gloomy	adjective	low in spirits : dejected.
41.	inkling	noun	a faint or slight suggestion : a hint.
42.	interesting	adjective	engaging the attention : capable of giving rise to curiosity or emotion.
43.	beginning	verb	starting.
44.	slouch	verb	to move, walk, stand, or sit with a manner characterized by ungainly stooping of head and shoulders or excessive relaxation of body muscles : to slump.
45.	foster	adjective	giving or receiving upbringing or parental care though not related by blood or legal ties.
46.	smirk	noun	a fake smile : a simper.
47.	discarded	verb	got rid of as no longer useful, valuable, or pleasurable.
48.	rental	noun	a property given for use in return for payment.
49.	people	plural noun	human beings.
50.	saints	plural noun	people who are more charitable, patient, or virtuous than the average person.



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1.	purchase	noun	something obtained for a price in money or its equivalent.
2.	shrivel	verb	to shrink and form wrinkles.
3.	limbering	verb	making flexible or pliant : loosening.
4.	sockets	plural noun	various hollows in body structures in which some other part normally lodges.
5.	squinched	verb	contorted the face as a signal or as an involuntary sign (as of pain).
6.	orca	noun	a relatively small toothed whale that is black above with white underparts and white oval-shaped patches behind the eyes : killer whale.
7.	newt	noun	any of various small semiaquatic salamanders.
8.	camel	noun	either of two large ruminant mammals used as draft and saddle animals in desert regions especially of Africa and Asia and peculiarly adapted to desert life.
9.	**spick-and-span OR spic-and-span	adjective	spotlessly clean.
10.	arrows	plural noun	missile weapons shot from a bow and usually consisting of a straight slender shaft that has a point or sharp head of stone or metal and feathers fastened near the end.
11.	tomorrow	adverb	on or for the day after today.
12.	distracted	verb	drew attention to a different object or compellingly and confusingly attracted in divergent directions at once.
13.	balance	noun	stability as a result of equally spreading your weight.
14.	probably	adverb	without much doubt : with practical certainty : very likely.

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15.	pottery	noun	an article made of fired clay.
16.	beyond	preposition	greater than the grasp or power of.
17.	twelve	adjective	being one more than 11 in number.
18.	respond	verb	to say something in return : to make an answer.
19.	grimy	adjective	full of or covered with soil, such as soot or dirt.
20.	arrive	verb	to reach a destination : to come to the end of a journey.
21.	archers	plural noun	persons skilled in the use of the bow and arrow.
22.	slather	verb	to spread thickly or lavishly.
23.	compute	verb	to make sense.
24.	switcheroo	noun	a reversal or surprising variation of a familiar or expected action or manner.
25.	donkeys	plural noun	domestic mammals of the genus Equus that are smaller than horses, with shorter manes and shorter hair on the tail, and with long ears.
26.	disband	verb	to break up the organization of : to dissolve.
27.	constant	noun	something that does not vary or change in its relationship or in an essential relationship with other things.
28.	balm	noun	a healing ointment.
29.	traditional	adjective	following or conforming to a cultural feature (as an attitude, belief, custom, institution) preserved or evolved from the past.
30.	bandage	noun	a narrow length of fabric used to cover a wound, hold a dressing in place, immobilize an injured part, or apply pressure.
31.	floral	adjective	of, relating to, or associated with a flower.
32.	bruise	noun	an injury, especially one produced by a blow or collision, that does not break the surface it injures.



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33.	astride	preposition	on or above and with one leg on each side of.
34.	actually	adverb	in point of fact : in truth — used to imply that one would expect the fact to be the opposite of what is stated.
35.	decide	verb	to make a choice or reach a solution.
36.	exciting	adjective	absorbingly interesting.
37.	smooshed	verb	squashed or mashed.
38.	shawl	noun	a usually square or oblong piece of fabric used especially as a covering for the head or shoulders.
39.	murals	plural noun	paintings or other works applied to and made integral with wall surfaces.
40.	casa	noun	a dwelling house.
41.	kneeling	verb	falling or resting on the joints in the middle part of the human leg.
42.	potion	noun	a liquid mixture or dose of a medicine or drug.
43.	devoured	verb	ate up greedily : consumed ravenously.
44.	riffled	verb	leafed through (as a book) rapidly or hastily.
45.	adorable	adjective	extremely charming or lovable : delightful.
46.	section	verb	to cut or separate into parts.
47.	puttering	verb	moving or acting without plan or purpose : occupying oneself aimlessly.
48.	python	noun	a large constricting snake (as a boa or anaconda).
49.	apartment	noun	a room or a set of rooms used as a dwelling and located in a private house, a hotel, or a building containing only such rooms or suites with hallways.
50.	yurt	noun	a circular domed tent of skins or felt used by herding peoples of inner Asia.



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1.	bovines	plural noun	animals of a group of mammals that chew cud, including cattle and sometimes water buffaloes.
2.	rituals	plural noun	practices done or regularly repeated in a set precise manner and often felt to have a symbolic significance.
3.	Andean	adjective	of, relating to, or characteristic of a mountain system of South America extending along its western coast from Panama to Tierra del Fuego.
4.	scrawled	verb	wrote hastily and carelessly : scribbled.
5.	arrested	verb	taken or kept in custody by authority of law.
6.	oftentimes	adverb	not seldom : frequently.
7.	embrace	verb	to clasp in the arms usually as a gesture of affection : to hug.
8.	ceiling	noun	the overhead inside lining of a room.
9.	adaptable	adjective	capable of being made suitable (as for a particular use, purpose, or situation) or of making oneself suitable.
10.	alternate	verb	to take turns.
11.	Chicago	geographical entry	city and port on Lake Michigan in northeastern Illinois.
12.	observations	plural noun	acts of recognizing and noting some fact or occurrence often involving the measurement of some magnitude with suitable instruments.
13.	**benefited OR benefitted	verb	to have been useful, helpful, or profitable to: aided.

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14.	pistons	plural noun	sliding pieces moved by or moving against fluid pressure and each usually consisting of a short cylinder fitting within a cylindrical vessel along which it moves back and forth.
15.	pangs	plural noun	brief piercing bursts of pain.
16.	abodes	plural noun	places where people dwell : homes.
17.	declaration	noun	something that is openly made known, proclaimed, or publicly announced : formal statement.
18.	soldiers	plural noun	persons engaged in military service.
19.	cronies	plural noun	familiar friends : old chums.
20.	peevish	adjective	marked by ill temper.
21.	dredged	verb	to make a search of or dig into deeply with or as if with a tool for digging earth from the bed of a body of water.
22.	**Navajo <mark>OR</mark> Navaho	noun	an Athapaskan people of northern New Mexico and Arizona ranging also into Colorado and Utah.
23.	adjusted	verb	changed the position of (as for better fit or appearance).
24.	temperature	noun	degree of hotness or coldness measured on one of several arbitrary scales based on some observable phenomenon.
25.	poppet	noun	little one, dear — used in Britain.
26.	intertribal	adjective	existing or occurring between social groups made up of numerous families, clans, or generations.
27.	Angola	geographical entry	a country in southwestern Africa on the Atlantic coast.
28.	contours	plural noun	shape, form.
29.	republic	noun	a government in which supreme power resides in a body of citizens entitled to vote and is exercised by elected representatives governing according to law.

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30.	paradise	noun	a place of bliss.
31.	vertical	adjective	perpendicular to the plane of the horizon or to a primary axis : upright.
32.	equipment	noun	the implements used in an operation or activity.
33.	debit	noun	a charge against a bank deposit account.
34.	minerals	plural noun	various naturally occurring usually but not necessarily solid substances (such as ore, coal, precious stones, salt, sand) obtained for human use usually from the ground.
35.	container	noun	a receptacle (as a box or jar) for packing or shipment.
36.	economy	noun	a system concerned with the production, distribution, and consumption of goods.
37.	wrestle	verb	to contend by grappling with and striving to trip or throw down an opponent.
38.	overtly	adverb	publicly, openly.
39.	innocent	adjective	free from legal guilt or responsibility for wrongdoing or failure.
40.	tallyho	noun	the cry sounded by hunters upon sighting the fox as it breaks from cover—usually used interjectionally.
41.	reservation	noun	an arranging in advance of some accommodation or service.
42.	flybys	plural noun	flights of a spacecraft past a celestial body (as Mars) close enough to obtain scientific data.
43.	inlet	noun	a narrow strip of water running into the land or between islands.
44.	pandemic	noun	an outbreak of a disease occurring over a wide geographic area and affecting an exceptionally high proportion of the population.
45.	doorjamb	noun	an upright piece forming the side of an entranceway into a building or a room.
46.	torment	noun	extreme pain or anguish of body or mind : severe distress : agony.
47.	evaded	verb	avoided answering directly (as a question or a questioner).



48.	instead	adverb	as a substitute.
49.	potential	noun	something that exists in possibility and can change or develop into actuality.
50.	Alberta	geographical entry	a province of western Canada located north of Montana.