

Updated and Revised



Grade
5

SPECTRUM **Spelling**

***Excellent Tool for
Standardized Test Preparation!***

- Vowel sounds and combinations
- Variant consonants
- Irregular plural nouns
- Prefixes and suffixes
- Rhyming words
- Dictionary
- Answer key



Lesson 1 Short Vowels: **a**, **e**, **i**

Say each of the following words out loud, stressing the short vowel sounds. Then, write the words on the lines provided.

**Spelling
Tip**

Short **a** can be spelled **a**, short **e** can be spelled **e** and **ea**, and short **i** is spelled **i**. The symbol for short **a** is /a/. The symbol for short **e** is /e/. The symbol for short **i** is /i/.

Spelling Words

perhaps	_____
necklace	_____
sweater	_____
inch	_____
happen	_____
empty	_____
invent	_____
athlete	_____
elephant	_____
until	_____
accident	_____
spell	_____
city	_____
adventure	_____
important	_____

Lesson 2 Short Vowels: o, u

Fun with Words

Look at the following pictures. Next to each picture, write a sentence using one of the spelling words from this lesson. Underline the spelling word in your sentence.

1.



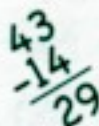
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10.



Lesson 5 Variant Consonants: j, k

Fun with Words

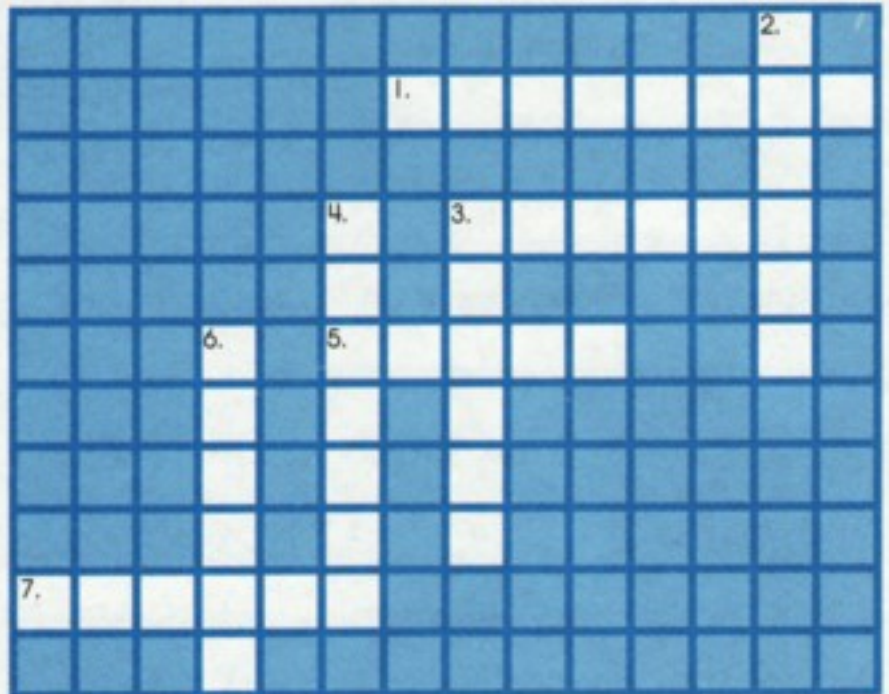
Complete the puzzle using spelling words.

Across

1. The _____ light went out during the storm.
3. You can pick up fruit and vegetables at the _____.
5. A _____ is a stringed musical instrument.
7. The _____ of the game *Jeopardy* is to provide the questions to given answers.

Down

2. You can adopt a dog, puppy, cat, or _____, from an animal shelter.
3. A _____ lives in a jungle.
4. Social studies is one _____ in school.
6. _____ is a spice made from the root of a plant.



Words Across the Curriculum



Write the social studies words on the lines.

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. captain _____ | 4. geography _____ |
| 2. climate _____ | 5. voyage _____ |
| 3. crew _____ | |

Complete the following sentences with social studies words.

1. _____ James Cook was an explorer who commanded the ship, *Endeavor*.
2. He and his _____ set sail in 1768.
3. Their _____ circumnavigated the globe.
4. On his second trip, he explored the cold _____ of the Antarctic Ocean.
5. During his third trip, Cook tested his knowledge of _____ to find the Northwest passage.

Lesson 8 Silent Letters: **kn, mb, wr**

Fun with Words

Write the spelling word that each picture represents.



Words Across the Curriculum



Write the social studies words on the lines below.

1. knights _____

3. wrap _____

2. tombs _____

Complete the following paragraph with words from above.

Mummies of the World

Ancient Egyptians would _____ mummies with cloths in hidden _____. Native Americans of North America mummified their dead and kept them in caves. The dryness of the caves preserved the bodies. Canadian mummies have been found naturally frozen in glaciers. Kings and _____ were mummified before being buried in certain parts of Europe. The oldest mummies of the world have been found in South America.