


CREST International Spell Bee (CSB)

Sample Paper

Pattern and Marking Scheme

Section Name	Section Details	Number of Questions
Spell-o-Spell	Test your spelling skills	6
Word Connection	Find antonyms, synonyms, masculine, feminine and other alternative words	8
Word Makeup	Identify the right suffix, prefix and compound words	10
Mingle-Mangle	Form meaningful words from jumbled letters	3
Picture Speak	Answer image-based questions	3
Word Cookie	Catch single letter spelling errors	10
Word Melody	Write correct words based on phonetics	4
Word Ensemble	Check your knowledge of idioms, proverbs, etc	8
Mathlish	Identify incorrect words while having fun with Maths	8
Rapid Fire (Audio Round)	Hear and write the spelling of words quickly	20
Grand Total		80

Each question carries 1 mark.

The total duration of the exam is 60 minutes. Including Rapid Fire of 5 min.

Syllabus

For the word list and more details, visit <https://www.crestolympiads.com/spellbee-summer-csb>

Spell Bee - Summer (Each Question is 1 Mark)

Section name for questions 1-6: Spell-o-Spell

1. Choose the meaning of the correctly spelt word:
 1. memento
 2. obsiquies
 3. episle
 4. phenomenen
 - a. a letter
 - b. funeral ceremonies
 - c. a remarkable person or thing
 - d. an object kept as a reminder of a person or event

2. Choose the meaning of the correctly spelt word:
 1. delibrate
 2. cautieous
 3. orater
 4. vanquish
 - a. done on purpose rather than by accident
 - b. being careful about what you say or do
 - c. a public speaker
 - d. defeat thoroughly

3. Choose the meaning of the correctly spelt word:
 1. ulterieor
 2. catastroph
 3. captivity
 4. hagar
 - a. a sudden event that causes many people to suffer
 - b. the state of being kept as a prisoner
 - c. existing beyond what is obvious or admitted
 - d. looking very tired because of illness, worry or lack of sleep

4. Choose the meaning of the incorrectly spelt word:
 1. criterion
 2. apposition
 3. minstrel
 4. existance
 - a. a musician or singer in the Middle Ages
 - b. a standard or principle by which something is judged
 - c. the fact or state of living or having objective reality.
 - d. the positioning of things side by side

5. Choose the meaning of the incorrectly spelt word:

1. ceremony
 2. colleague
 3. enterprise
 4. nutritious
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- a. efficient as food
 - b. a project or undertaking
 - c. a person with whom one works in a profession
 - d. a formal religious or public occasion

6. Choose the meaning of the incorrectly spelt word:

1. exellence
 2. trinket
 3. sacred
 4. acquire
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- a. the quality of being extremely good
 - b. a small ornament that is of little value.
 - c. regarded with great respect and reverence
 - d. learn or develop a skill, habit, or quality

Section name for questions 7-14: Word Connection

7. Choose the antonym of the word in bold:

Few people will admit to being racially **prejudiced**.

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| a. underestimate | b. hindrance |
| c. predispose | d. unbiased |

8. Choose the antonym of the word in bold:

His speeches in the chamber were always **eloquent** and powerful.

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| a. forceful | b. irrelevant |
| c. relevant | d. inarticulate |

9. Choose the antonym of the word in bold:

His behaviour has **exalted** the power and prestige of his office.

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| a. upgraded | b. degraded |
| c. prominent | d. dignified |

10. Choose the antonym of the word in bold:

Political leaders united yesterday to **condemn** the latest wave of violence.

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| a. castigate | b. deprecate |
| c. commend | d. comment |

11. Choose the synonym of the word:

He used to **swindle** people out of their land.

- a. deceit
- b. assist
- c. benefit
- d. help

12. Choose the synonym of the word in bold:

Some of the younger pop bands try to **imitate** their musical heroes from the past.

- a. oppose
- b. defame
- c. truthful
- d. copy

13. Choose the synonym of the word in bold:

I **despise** anyone who is cruel to animals.

- a. accuse
- b. hate
- c. appeal
- d. abuse

14. Choose the synonym of the word in bold:

His capacity for learning languages **astonished** me.

- a. frightened
- b. expected
- c. amazed
- d. emulated

Section name for questions 15-24: Word Makeup

15. Choose the word from which a meaningful word can be formed using the suffix below:
ible

- a. adapt
- b. suggest
- c. access
- d. response

16. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the suffix below:
ry

- a. gallant
- b. circuit
- c. nurse
- d. confine

17. Choose the word from the given options which won't form a meaningful word using the suffix below:
ious

- a. envy
- b. court
- c. glory
- d. study

18. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the prefix below:
in

- a. partial
- b. fest
- c. different
- d. animate

19. Choose the word from the given options which won't form a meaningful word using the prefix below:
pre

- a. face
- b. cease
- c. dict
- d. caution

20. Choose the word from which a meaningful word can be formed using the prefix below:
im

- a. partiality
- b. pervious
- c. cite
- d. passe

21. Choose the correct compound word:

- a. airborne
- b. awstruck
- c. awesome
- d. no-how

22. Choose the correct compound word:

- a. fundriser
- b. high-tec
- c. weekend
- d. weekday

23. Choose the incorrect compound word:

- a. waistcoat
- b. waistbasket
- c. straightforward
- d. roller coaster

24. Choose the incorrect compound word:

- a. quarelsome
- b. ponytail
- c. overexposure
- d. notwithstanding

Section name for questions 25-27: Mingle-Mangle

25. Identify the word with jumbled letters in the sentence:
To be trusted is a greater tnenmoiclp than to be loved.

- a. complacent
- b. complicated
- c. compliment
- d. complement

26. Identify the word with jumbled letters in the sentence:

The names of the shops are entirely lanoitcif.

- a. factional
- b. frictional
- c. fictitious
- d. fictional

27. Identify the word with jumbled letters in the sentence:

Don't demlde with the electrical wiring.

- a. middle
- b. meddle
- c. medal
- d. dilemma

Section name for questions 28-30: Picture Speak

28. Select the correct spelling for the image:



- a. veterrarian
- b. veterinerian
- c. veterinarian
- d. veterinerien

29. Select the correct spelling for the image:



- a. chameleon
- b. chamelion
- c. cameleon
- d. chamileon

30. Select the correct spelling for the image:



- a. journalist
- b. journalist
- c. jornalist
- d. journlist

Section name for questions 31-40: Word Cookie

31. Insert the correct letters to form a word:

inconv_n__nce

- a. i, i, e
- c. e, i, e

- b. i, e, i
- d. e, e, i

32. Insert the correct letters to form a word:

co_loqui_l

- a. o, e
- c. o, a

- b. l, e
- d. l, a

33. Insert the correct letters to form a word:

over_he_m

- a. v, a
- c. w, l

- b. v, l
- d. w, a

34. Find the extra letter in the word:

tablespoonfull

- a. e
- c. s

- b. o
- d. l

35. Find the extra letter in the word:

auxilliary

- a. x
- c. l

- b. i
- d. a

36. Find the extra letter in the word:

accommplish

- a. m
- c. h

- b. c
- d. s

37. Find the misspelt word in the sentence:

Jackie sees the comedy in her millionaire husband's thrifty habits.

- a. comedy
- c. husband

- b. millionare
- d. thrifty

38. Find the misspelt word in the sentence:

Perseverance is failing nineteen times and succeeding the twenteith.

- a. perseverance
- c. succeeding

- b. nineteen
- d. twenteith

39. Find the misspelt word in the sentence:

Soldiers flaundering knee-deep in mud pushed the guns and wagons themselves.

- a. soldiers
- b. flaundering
- c. wagons
- d. knee-deep

40. Find the misspelt word in the sentence:

He seemed quite sanguine about his chances of sucess.

- a. quite
- b. sanguine
- c. chances
- d. sucess

Section name for questions 41-48: Word Ensemble

41. A set of idioms has been given below. Fill in the blank with the suitable idiom:

- 1. a hot potato
- 2. at the drop of a hat
- 3. be glad to see the back of
- 4. beating around the bush
- 5. blessing in disguise
- 6. burn the midnight oil

Quit _____ and tell me what you really want.

- a. 2
- b. 3
- c. 4
- d. 5

42. A set of idioms has been given below. Fill in the blank with the suitable idiom:

- 1. a hot potato
- 2. at the drop of a hat
- 3. be glad to see the back of
- 4. beating around the bush
- 5. blessing in disguise
- 6. burn the midnight oil

That girl is so emotional; she'll start crying _____.

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4

43. A set of idioms has been given below. Fill in the blank with the suitable idiom:

- 1. a hot potato
- 2. at the drop of a hat
- 3. be glad to see the back of
- 4. beating around the bush
- 5. blessing in disguise
- 6. burn the midnight oil

I had to _____ to get the project completed on time.

- a. 3
- b. 4
- c. 5
- d. 6

44. A set of idioms has been given below. Fill in the blank with the suitable idiom:

1. a hot potato
2. at the drop of a hat
3. be glad to see the back of
4. beating around the bush
5. blessing in disguise
6. burn the midnight oil

The guest was so irritating that the hosts were _____ him.

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| a. 1 | b. 2 |
| c. 3 | d. 4 |

45. Complete the proverb:

The grass is always greener _____.

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| a. in the field | b. on the other side of the fence |
| c. if you look closely | d. in the back of the yard |

46. Complete the proverb:

You can't have your cake _____.

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| a. if it is not yours | b. if it belongs to someone else. |
| c. and eat it too | d. while looking at it |

47. Complete the proverb:

Don't cross the bridge _____.

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| a. until you come to it | b. if you don't know the way |
| c. until you are ready for it | d. if don't need to |

48. Complete the proverb:

The early bird _____.

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| a. catches the worm | b. flies far |
| c. gets the food | d. sleeps early |

Section name for questions 49-56: Mathlish

49. Find the number of misspelt words:

commendable, delapidate, guardian, sherif, massacre, adroit

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| a. 1 | b. 2 |
| c. 3 | d. 4 |

50. Find the number of misspelt words:

antethesis ,druge, firmment, frieght, shephard, primature, allitration

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| a. 4 | b. 5 |
| c. 6 | d. 7 |

