



International Jubilee Private School
American Syllabus (2012-2013)

SPELLING BEE WORDS BANK “2012-2013”

Grade: _____

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Lesson 1	
Words	Meanings
Synonym	word having the same or nearly the same meaning
Symbolic	pertaining to or represented by a symbol
Systematic	involving or based on a method or plan; not random or chaotic
Symmetrical	having similarity in size and shape
Synthesis	the putting together of parts or elements
Synthetic	man-made; made with chemicals formed in a laboratory
Sympathized	to feel compassion as for suffering or trouble
Syncopation	a temporary accenting of a normally weak beat in music to vary the rhythm
Synchronize	to cause to agree in time
Synonymous	alike in meaning
Symbiosis	the living together in close association of two organisms; mutual effort
Synagogue	A place where Jewish worshippers meet together
Syndicate	a body of business people working together
Symposium	a gathering together for the purpose of discussing a particular topic
Symbolism	the practice of expressing things as in art or literature by means of symbols
Syndrome	a group of signs or symptoms that together indicate a particular disease or condition.
Synopsis	a sketchy summary of the main points of an argument or theory
Lesson 2	
Words	Meanings
Relevant	having to do with the matter at hand

Raucously	disagreeably harsh or strident
Responsibility	something one must do
Reflection	an image produced by or as if by a mirror
References	the act or fact of mentioning; a source of information
Rhubarb	any of a genus of perennial; large-leaved plants of the buckwheat family
Revive	cause to regain consciousness; give new life or energy to
Recently	of a time just before the present
Raze	to destroy completely by knocking down or breaking to pieces
Republican	characteristic of; or having the nature of
Regretting	to feel sorry or guilty for; be upset about
Requirements	something that must be done or standards that must be met
Repulse	to repel; to drive back
Recommending	to put forward as one's choice for a wise or proper course of action
Redundancy	the state or quality of being redundant

Lesson 3

Words	Meanings
Disposition	one's characteristic attitude or mood
Disappeared	to cease to be visible
Distress	a state of physical or mental suffering v. to cause sorrow or misery
Disparaged	to criticize in a negative disrespectful manner
Disapproval	refusal to accept as right or desirable
Disgruntled	to make dissatisfied; to put in a bad mood
Discrepancy	lack of agreement; difference; inconsistency
Disingenuous	not straightforward; insincere
Disparage	To criticize in a negative disrespectful manner.
disparity	containing or made up of fundamentally different and often incongruous elements
Discernible	Able to be perceived or distinguished.
Disoblige	to neglect to tend to; or to go against the wishes of
Dissociate	to remove from association with
Distribution	the act of distributing
Discontinues	to stop or put an end to

Lesson 4	
Words	Meanings
laudable	worthy of praise
implacable	not to be appeased mollified or pacified; inexorable
noticeable	easy to see; likely to be observed; worthy of attention
passable	capable of being traveled on
indefatigable	not easily made tired; tireless
despicable	arousing or deserving of one's loathing and disgust
irreconcilable	impossible to reconcile or adjust or harmonize
paraphrasable	a restatement of a text or passage giving the meaning in another form as for clearness or rewording
undecipherable	not easily converted into an understandable form
irrevocable	Impossible to take back undo or cancel.
syllables	a basic unit of speech generally containing only one vowel sound
inexplicable	hard to explain or impossible to understand
inconsolable	Not able to be comforted; or incapable of being relieved by comforting.
innumerable	So many as to be impossible to count; countless.
justifiable	capable of being defended or explained.

Lesson 5	
Words	Meanings
conceive	to form an idea for; become pregnant
cocoon	cushion; encase; envelop; insulate
compel	to cause a person to give in to pressure
convenience	something that adds to one's ease
consider	to think of in a particular way

colleague	a fellow worker
consequences	a condition or occurrence traceable to a cause
conception	a conceiving or being conceived that which is conceived; specif.
competent	having the skill to do something; capable
commuter	a person who travels regularly
commissioner	official; administrator; executive
commerce	the buying and selling of goods or services; trade
conceived	to form an idea for; become pregnant
cordially	warm and friendly; courteous

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Second semester

Lesson 1	
Words	Meanings
Frequently(adv)	regular; common
Enthusiastic(adj)	excited; eager; interested
Intentions (n)	goal; ambition
Insistent (adj)	aggressive; emphatic; urgent
Achievement (n)	accomplishment; success; triumph
Arrangement (n)	design; display; grouping; plans; preparations
Establishment (n)	as a business; military organization; household
Acknowledgment (n)	recognition; acceptance; affirmation; answer
Potential (adj)	possible; likely; aptitude; capacity
Introduction (n)	foreword; preface; prologue
Transient (adj)	brief; fleeting; momentary; passing
Centripetal (adj)	toward center; unify; receptive
Mentioned (v)	comment; bring up

Sufficiently (adv)	adequate; comfortable; enough
Sentiment (n)	Attitude toward something; regard; opinion
Deferential (adj)	Showing deference; deferent; respectful
Lesson 2	
Words	Meanings
Exercises (v)	workout; training
Excessive (adj)	going beyond the usual
Equipped (v)	to provide with what is needed
Exhibition (n)	a large-scale public show
Extravagant (adj)	spending much more than is necessary or wise
Epic (n)	a long narrative poem telling of a hero's deeds
Editorial (n)	an article written by the editor and published as an official argument
Expulsion (n)	ejection; banishing; discharge
Efficiency (n)	adeptness; effectiveness; capability
Extraterrestrial (adj)	alien; Martian; men from outer space
Erroneous (adj)	incorrect; wrong; mistaken
Esteem (n)	to have a high opinion of; respect; honor;
Embroidery (n)	embellishment; needlework; fancywork
Equilibrium (n)	balance; stability; steadiness
Expectation (n)	anticipation; belief; hope; possibility

Lesson 3	
Words	Meanings
Necessity (n)	requirement; essential; must

Affability (n)	agreeable; amiable; friendly; outgoing
Posterity (n)	all generations to come; future generations 2
Integrity (n)	honesty; uprightness; sincerity
Capacity (n)	content; limit; occupancy; volume
Probability (n)	the condition or fact that something might happen
Possibility (n)	capability of existing or happening or being true
Vicinity (n)	a surrounding area or district
Haughty (adj)	arrogant; conceited; smug; superior
Velocity (n)	Rate of movement; speed.
Calamity (n)	catastrophe; disaster; tragedy
Extremity (n)	limit; outside; utmost point; edge
Paucity (n)	smallness of number or amount
Locality (n)	environment; particular place
Indignity (n)	an insult to ones pride
Propensity (n)	inclination; ability; aptness; bias; capacity
Notoriety (n)	dishonorable; infamous; well-known

<u>Lesson 4</u>	
<u>Words</u>	<u>Meanings</u>
Interrupted (v)	pause; break; lull; disturb; halt
Inauguration (n)	install; induct; instate; begin
Intimate (adj)	close; personal; private
Inhabitant (n)	a person or animal that lives in a certain place
Innocence (n)	the condition of being innocent
Inquiries (v0)	ask; investigate; examine; query
Inept (adj)	incompetent; unfit; unskilled

Industrial (adj)	resulting from industries working in industries of
Interrogative (adj)	question; forming a question; using a question
Intellectual (adj)	having intellect to a high degree
Inapt (adj)	incompetent; not suitable; improper; unbecoming
Inconvenience (n)	to cause trouble or extra effort for
Invoices (n)	bill; account; bill of sale; note
Invoiced (v)	to be billed
Insecticide (n)	a chemical used to kill insects
Lesson 5	Meanings
Words	
Diurnal (adj)	daily; day-to-day; recurring every day
Professional (adj)	doing a job as a way of earning money to live
Neutral (adj)	fair; impartial; independent
Turmoil (n)	a state of confusion
technological	scientific; industrial; high-tech
Congenial (adj)	compatible; pleasant; affable; agreeable
Veil (n/v)	cloak; cloud; mask; (v) hide
Bountiful (adj)	plentiful; more than enough
Mutual (adj)	shared; common; interchangeable
Immortal (adj)	never dying; living forever
Mechanical (adj)	machinery; using machine parts
Binomial (n)	math expression; algebraic expression
Terrestrial (adj)	earthy; mundane; earthbound
Embroid (v)	to involve in an argument or conflict
Medicinal (adj)	curing; healing; medical

Lesson 6	Meanings
Words	
Prodigal (adj)	extravagant; lavish; spendthrift; wasteful
Premium (n)	excellent; prime; bonus; prize
Pamphlet (n)	booklet; brochure; leaflet; small book; circular
Picnicking (n)	outdoor; barbecue; cookout
Phonograph (n)	a device for reproducing sound that has been mechanically transcribed
Perseverance (n)	persistence; tenacity; determination; diligence
Picturesque (adj)	graphic; vivid; artistic
Phenomenon (n)	any fact or event that can be observed or described
Provisions (v)	supplies; supplying; feed
Principles (n)	truth; rule; law
Poignant (adj)	deeply touching
Petunia (n)	any of a genus of plants of the nightshade family
plaintiff	complainant; litigant
Phlegm (n)	apathy; coldness; indifference
Pirouette (n)	whirl; spin; turn; pivot

Lesson 7	Meanings
Words	
Quantities (n)	an amount or portion
Shepherds (n)	protector; guardian; defender; guide
Dictionaries (n)	glossary; lexicon
Canvas (n)	board; surface; fabric
Gorgeous (adj)	beautiful; splendid; magnificent
Harness (n)	tackle; yoke; rigging
Bulbous (adj)	rounded; bulb-shaped

Antiques (adj)	old; ancient; not modern
Headquarters (n)	central office; main office
Frivolous (adj)	empty-headed; scatterbrained
Mattress (n)	a casing of strong fabric filled with cotton; hair
Amphibians (n)	they hatch in water and breathe with gills.
Hazardous (adj)	dangerous; perilous; risky
Desirous (adj)	wishful; hopeful; wanting
Volumes (n)	a considerable amount
Molecules (n)	particle; atom; bit; smallest part
Callus (n)	hard skin; thick skin

Lesson 8	
Words	Meanings
Veer (v)	change direction
Scholar (n)	a learned person
Schooner (n)	usually holding a pint
Behavior (n)	action; attitude; conduct
Peculiar (adj)	unusual; strange; bizarre
Beggar (n)	a person who lives by asking for money
Lunar (adj)	relating to the moon
Oppressive (adj)	very harsh or burdensome
Meteor (n)	shooting star
Overwrought (adj)	agitated; frantic; frenzied; neurotic
Memoir (n)	biography; autobiography
Facilitator (n)	arranger; coordinator; helper; supporter
Obsess (v)	consume; possess; worry
Usher (v)	to lead; escort
Voucher (n)	receipt ; warrant

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Third semester

Lesson 1	
Words	Meanings
Oppose (v)	to be or act against; to refuse to give in to
Outrageous (adj)	extremely wrong or harmful
Oblige (v)	social; or moral reasons
Orthopedics (n)	skeletal system; muscles and joints
Opposition (n)	resistance; contradiction; contrast; hostility
Occupying (v)	keep busy with
Outlandish (adj)	bizarre; odd; quirky
Optometry (n)	examining the eyes
Originally (adv)	first; new; fresh; unprecedented
Obligations (n)	a duty imposed legally or socially
Obtuse (adj)	not sharp or pointed
Oblique (adj)	having a slanting position or direction
Obligation (n)	a duty imposed legally or socially
Obsolete (adj)	outdated; out-of-date; antique
Officious (adj)	intrusive; nosy; meddlesome
Obese (adj)	very fat.
Oregano (n)	dried plant for spice

Lesson 2

Words	Meanings
Catastrophe (n)	disaster; misfortune; calamity; fiasco
Genuine (adj)	authentic; original; actual; valid; trustworthy
Virtue (n)	right action or thoughts
Negligence (n)	failure; omission; neglect; oversight
Handsome (adj)	beautiful; attractive; pretty
Impatience (n)	irritation; annoyance; botheration; restlessness
Folklore (n)	all of the unwritten traditional beliefs; legends;
Divine (adj)	holy; godly; pious
Irksome (adj)	annoying; tedious.
Forcible (adj)	physical; strong-arm; forceful
Indelible (adj)	making or leaving a permanent mark.
Landslide (n)	a fast downhill movement of rocks or soil;
Critique (n)	review; evaluation; analyze
Grotesque (adj)	malformed; distorted; deformed; ugly
Mesmerize (v)	hypnotize; spellbound; captivate; enthrall

Lesson 3

Words	Meanings
Psalm (n)	song of praise; sacred song
Museum (n)	building housing collections
Affirm (v)	acknowledge; affirmative
Maximum (n)	the greatest quantity or amount possible
Millennium (n)	a period of one thousand years.
Schism (n)	division; separation; split
Euphemism (n)	substitution; softened expression; polite term
Mayhem (n)	situation of great confusion
Verbatim (adj)	literal word-for-word; accurately

Cranium (adj)	skull; braincase; brainpan; head
Qualm (n)	feeling of guilt or doubt
Humdrum (adj)	boring; commonplace; dull
teem (v)	to be filled
Axiom (n)	a statement or principle that requires no proof because its truth is obvious.
Modicum (n)	a small amount.
Memorandum (n)	a short written note to help a person remember something

Lesson 4	Meanings
Words	
Christian (n)	religion of Christ
Frostbitten (adj)	freezing tissue; cold exposure; injury from cold
Luncheon (n)	a midday meal
Mathematician (n)	an expert or specialist in mathematics
Session (n)	meeting; conference; term; period
Legislation (n)	the act or process of making a law or laws the law or laws made
Circulation (n)	magazine copies; movement; copies sold
Nylon (n)	made into fiber; yarn; bristles;
Transaction (n)	a business deal or agreement a record of the proceedings of a society; convention
Tenderloin (n)	the tenderest part of a loin of beef; pork
Immigration (n)	an act or instance of immigrating
Dimension (n)	size as measured in length width or depth
Liaison (n)	the linking of words; under certain conditions
Hypertension (n)	abnormally high blood pressure esp.
Sedition (n)	rebellion; agitation; defiance; disobedience
Transmutation (n)	the process of transmuting

Lesson 5	Meanings
Words	
Congregate (v)	assemble; meet; gather

Extricate (v)	untangle; disentangle; free; release
Inanimate (adj)	dead; lifeless; dormant
Penultimate (adj)	semifinal; next to last; almost last
Perspire (v)	sweat; exude; secrete; excrete
Comprehensive (adj)	large in scope or content
Scarcely (adj)	less plentiful than what is normal necessary
Dethrone (v)	to remove from a throne
Inconclusive (adj)	Ambiguous; not proving something completely
Cubicle (n)	one of the parts into which an enclosed space is divided
Affiliate (n)	a local unit of an organization
Branchiate (v)	swing from one hold to the next
Adhesive (n)	glue; paste; sticky
Elaborate (adj)	intricate; complicated; detailed; expand
Homage (n)	honor; tribute; commendation; acclaim
Decisive (adj)	conclusive; final; firm
Avalanche (n)	snowslide; mudslide; landslide; rush
Entangle (v)	mire; involve; catch; snarl; tangle

Lesson 6	Meanings
Words	
Characteristic (adj)	attribute; feature; accustomed; distinguishing
Ethnic (adj)	cultural; tribal; national; racial
Skeptic (n)	doubter; questioner; disbeliever; nonbeliever
Epidemic (adj)	widespread; catching; infectious; contagious
Domestic (adj)	home; household; domicile; tame
Mosaic (n)	compound; elaborate design; medley
Patriotic (adj)	inspired by love for your country
Cyclic (adj)	curcular; round; cycle
Quixotic (adj)	fanciful; fantastic; imaginary
Caustic (adj)	burning; acid; acrid; biting; cutting
Tactic (n)	a plan or method for achieving a goal
Monolithic (adj)	imposing in size or bulk or solidity
Sporadic (adj)	erratic; occasional; occasionally
Relic (n)	souvenir; memento; antique
Frenetic (adj)	wildly excited; frantic.
Hydraulic (adj)	moved by liquid; operated by liquid; effected by liquid
Barbaric (adj)	barbarous; boorish; savage

Lesson 7	Meanings
Words	
Galaxy (n)	Milky Way; star cluster; star system
Chemistry (n)	natural science; science of matter;
Customary (adj)	done as a custom; usual.
Battery (n)	a device that generates electricity
Treasury (n)	a place where treasure is kept
Philosophy (n)	the personal values and rules that guide one in life.
Poultry (n)	domestic fowls raised for meat or eggs; chickens; turkeys; ducks; geese
Literary (n)	having the nature of; or dealing with literature of or having to do with books or writing literary agents
Bankruptcy (adv)	bust; deplete; broke; break; ruin

Ecstasy (n)	a state of being carried away by overwhelming emotion
Sanctuary (n)	a place that is considered sacred (shrine; holy place; temple)
Observatory (n)	a building for observing planets and stars
Intensify (v)	strengthen; sharpen; deepen; enhance; heighten
Tyranny (n)	the abuse of power
Poignancy (n)	a state of deeply felt distress or sorrow
Seminary (n)	a school for training men and women for work
Statutory	judicial; lawful; legal; rightful