

Main Criteria: Spelling Classroom
Secondary Criteria: Montana Content Standards
Subject: Language Arts
Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Spelling Classroom

Definition Matching

Summary: Definition matching exercise leveraging high level engagement with pronunciation reinforcement.

Montana Content Standards

Language Arts

Grade 1 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 1.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.1.5.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.1.5.c.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 1.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.1.6.	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using frequently occurring conjunctions to signal simple relationships (e.g., because).

Montana Content Standards

Language Arts

Grade 2 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 2.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.2.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.2.5.a.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 2.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.2.6.	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy that makes me happy).

Montana Content Standards

Language Arts

Grade 3 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.3.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

STANDARD		
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from non-literal language.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 3.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.3.5.b.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 3.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

Montana Content Standards

Language Arts

Grade 4 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 4.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.4.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions, emotions, or states of being (e.g., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.6.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.6.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 6.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.6.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.6.5.c.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., stingy, scrimping, economical, un wasteful, thrifty).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 6.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.6.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.7.5.c.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., refined, respectful, polite, diplomatic, condescending).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.8.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
CONTENT STANDARD /	MT.CC.S L.8.	Speaking and Listening Standards

DOMAIN		
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 8.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.8.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.8.5.c.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., bullheaded, willful, firm, persistent, resolute).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 8.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.9-10.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

STANDARD		
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.9-10.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Language Arts

Grade 11 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare, works by American Indian authors, as well as other authors.)
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10; how the use of "sovereignty" in official documents impacts legal and political relationship).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.11-12.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION /	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and

BENCHMARK		career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2011

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare, works by American Indian authors, as well as other authors.)
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10; how the use of "sovereignty" in official documents impacts legal and political relationship).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.11-12.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.