

Main Criteria: Spelling Classroom
Secondary Criteria: Washington DC Academic 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.

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Grade 1 - Adopted: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.1.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	1.L.5.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	1.L.5.c.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.1.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	1.L.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).

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Grade 2 - Adopted: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.2.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	2.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	2.L.5.a.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.2.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	2.L.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).

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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.3.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	3.RL.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.3.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	3.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	3.L.5.a.	Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).
EXPECTATION	3.L.5.b.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.3.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	3.L.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).

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.4.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	4.L.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: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.6.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD /		Craft and Structure

ESSENTIAL SKILL		
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	6.RL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.6.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	6.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	6.L.5.c.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., stingy, scrimping, economical, unwasteful, thrifty).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.6.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	6.L.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: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.7.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	7.RL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.7.SL.	Speaking and Listening Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	7.SL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.7.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Knowledge of Language
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	7.L.3.	Use Knowledge of Language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	7.L.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and

		eliminating wordiness and redundancy.
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.7.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	7.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	7.L.5.c.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., refined, respectful, polite, diplomatic, condescending).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.7.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	7.L.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: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.8.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	8.RL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.8.SL.	Speaking and Listening Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	8.SL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.8.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	8.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	8.L.5.c.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., bullheaded, willful, firm, persistent, resolute).
CONTENT STANDARD /	DC.CC.8.L.	Language Standards

STRAND / DISCIPLINE		
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	8.L.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: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.9-10.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	9-10.RL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.9-10.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	9-10.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	9-10.L.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.9-10.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	9-10.L.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: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.9-10.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	9-10.RL.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 / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.9-10.L.	Language Standards

DISCIPLINE		
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	9-10.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	9-10.L.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.9-10.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	9-10.L.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 11 - Adopted: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.RL.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 as well as other authors.)
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.RI.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.RI.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).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

SKILL		
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.L.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 12 - Adopted: 2010

CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.RL.	Reading Standards for Literature
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.RL.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 as well as other authors.)
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.RI.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Craft and Structure
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.RI.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).
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
CONTENT STANDARD / STRAND / DISCIPLINE	DC.CC.11-12.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD / ESSENTIAL SKILL		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STUDENT EXPECTATION / ESSENTIAL SKILL	11-12.L.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.