

Main Criteria: Spelling Classroom
Secondary Criteria: Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards
Subject: Language Arts
Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Spelling Classroom

Word Find Puzzle

Summary: Students find the words hidden in puzzles emphasizing pattern recognition and retention.

Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards

Language Arts

Grade 1 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	1.RL4.	Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.
EXPECTATION	1.RL4.3.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy). (CCSS L.1.5c)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
OBJECTIVE	1.L2-d.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing – Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words.
EXPECTATION	1.L2-d.1.	Identify common spelling patterns.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	1.L5-a.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Sort words into categories (e.g., colors, clothing) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.
EXPECTATION	1.L5-a.1.	Identify commonalities and underlining concepts among groups of words.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	1.L5-b.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a duck is a bird that swims; a tiger is a large cat with stripes).
EXPECTATION	1.L5-b.1.	Discuss key attributes of words to identify a category.

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Grade 2 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
OBJECTIVE	2.L2-d.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing – Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words (e.g., cage → badge; boy → boil).
EXPECTATION	2.L2-d.1.	Identify common spelling patterns.

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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	3.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.
EXPECTATION	3.RL4.5.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful). (CCSS L.3.5b)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RF.	Standards for Reading Foundational Skills (RF)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Phonics and Word Recognition
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	3.RF3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
OBJECTIVE	3.RF3.c.	Decode multisyllable words.
EXPECTATION	3.RF3.c.3	Confirm decoding efforts through word meanings and word order.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	6.RI1.	Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	6.RI1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding (See CCSS L.6.5b).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	6.RI4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings.
EXPECTATION	6.RI4.6.	Verify an inferred meaning of a word or phrase in reference materials (See CCSS L.6.4c).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	6.W2-c.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content – Use appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	6.W2-c.1.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words. (CCSS L.6.5b)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
OBJECTIVE	6.L4-d.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies – Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
EXPECTATION	6.L4-d.1.	Apply an understanding of the skills in L4 a-c to verify word meaning.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	6.L5-b.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words.
EXPECTATION	6.L5-b.1.	Apply an understanding of connections between words including cause/effect, part/whole, and item/category to a critical reading of a text.
EXPECTATION	6.L5-b.2.	Analyze professional, peer, and their own writing to determine how word relationships contribute to meaning.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	7.RI1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	7.RI1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding (See CCSS L.7.5b).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
OBJECTIVE	7.L4-d.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies – Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
EXPECTATION	7.L4-d.1.	Apply an understanding of the skills in L4 a-c to verify word meaning.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	8.RI1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	8.RI1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding (See CCSS L.8.5b).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	8.L5-b.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.
EXPECTATION	8.L5-b.2.	Analyze professional, peer, and their own writing to determine how word relationships contribute to meaning.