

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

## Spelling Classroom

### Word Ladder

Summary: Sequence of words built upon the previous and advance down the ladder with each correct answer.

#### Virginia Standards of Learning

##### Language Arts

Grade 1 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.CML.1</b>	<b>Communication and Multimodal Literacies</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>1.1.</b>	<b>The student will develop oral communication skills.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>1.1.l.</b>	<b>Increase listening and speaking vocabularies.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.1.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>1.7.</b>	<b>The student will expand vocabulary and use of word meanings.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>1.7.a.</b>	<b>Discuss meanings of words in context.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.1.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>1.12.</b>	<b>The student will write in a variety of forms to include narrative, descriptive, and opinion.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>1.12.g.</b>	<b>Use letters to phonetically spell words.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.1.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>1.13.</b>	<b>The student will edit writing for capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>1.13.c.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling for commonly used sight words and phonetically regular words.</b>

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Grade 2 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.2.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>2.11.</b>	<b>The student will edit writing for capitalization, punctuation, spelling and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>2.11.h.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling for commonly used sight words, including compound words and regular plurals.</b>

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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.CML.3</b>	<b>Communication and Multimodal Literacies</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>3.1.</b>	<b>The student will use effective communication skills in a variety of settings.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>3.1.f.</b>	<b>Increase listening and speaking vocabularies.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.3.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>3.9.</b>	<b>The student will edit writing for capitalization, punctuation, spelling, and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>3.9.j.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling including irregular plurals.</b>

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.4.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>4.4.</b>	<b>The student will expand vocabulary when reading.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>4.4.e.</b>	<b>Develop and use general and specialized vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.4.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>4.8.</b>	<b>The student will self- and peer-edit writing for capitalization, spelling, punctuation, sentence structure, paragraphing, and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>4.8.g.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling including common homophones.</b>

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Grade 5 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.5.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>5.4.</b>	<b>The student will expand vocabulary when reading.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>5.4.f.</b>	<b>Develop and use general and specialized content area vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.5.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>5.8.</b>	<b>The student will self- and peer-edit writing for capitalization, spelling, punctuation, sentence structure, paragraphing, and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>5.8.j.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling of commonly used words.</b>

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.6.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>6.4.</b>	<b>The student will read and determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and phrases within authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>6.4.f.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.6.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>6.8.</b>	<b>The student will self- and peer-edit writing for capitalization, punctuation, spelling, sentence structure, paragraphing, and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>6.8.g.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling for frequently used words.</b>

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.7.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>7.4.</b>	<b>The student will read and determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and phrases within authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>7.4.g.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.7.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>7.8.</b>	<b>The student will self- and peer-edit writing for capitalization, punctuation, spelling, sentence structure, paragraphing, and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>7.8.f.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling for commonly used words.</b>

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.8.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>8.4.</b>	<b>The student will apply knowledge of word origins, and figurative language to extend vocabulary development within authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>8.4.g.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>
<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.W.8.</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>8.8.</b>	<b>The student will self- and peer-edit writing for capitalization, punctuation, spelling, sentence structure, paragraphing, and Standard English.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>8.8.g.</b>	<b>Use correct spelling for frequently used words.</b>

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.9.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>9.3.</b>	<b>The student will apply knowledge of word origins, derivations, and figurative language to extend vocabulary development in authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>9.3.f.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.10.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>10.3.</b>	<b>The student will apply knowledge of word origins, derivations, and figurative language to extend vocabulary development in authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>10.3.f.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.11.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>11.3.</b>	<b>The student will apply knowledge of word origins, derivations, and figurative language to extend vocabulary development in authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>11.3.f.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2017

<b>STRAND / TOPIC</b>	<b>VA.R.12.</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>STANDARD / STRAND</b>	<b>12.3.</b>	<b>The student will apply knowledge of word origins, derivations, and figurative language to extend vocabulary development in authentic texts.</b>
<b>INDICATOR / STANDARD</b>	<b>12.3.e.</b>	<b>Extend general and cross-curricular vocabulary through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.</b>