

Weekly Spelling Contract

Read the choices below to decide which activities you would like to complete. You may choose any combination of activities as long as they **add up to 100 points** or more. Spelling Contracts are due **FRIDAY** morning and no later! On your *Spelling Contract Weekly Record Sheet*, list each of the activities that you completed in a particular week and write the point value next to each activity you turn in. Add all the total points for each week's spelling practice, attach your work, and have a parent sign the weekly log before turning it in. Have Fun!

***Some activities will require a parent to send a note saying work was completed.**

25 POINT ACTIVITIES:

- ☉ **Type 'Em** - Type all of your spelling words on the computer or on a typewriter. You can even email them to me! (cpare@thehighlandsschool.org)
- ☉ **Sign Your Words** - Use sign language to sign your words! Follow the link below to find a chart that will help you.
<http://www.sd5.k12.mt.us/elrod/multiage/downloads/SignLangLetterChart.pdf>
- ☉ **Fancy Letters** - Use old magazines, catalogs, or newspapers to cut out letters and glue them down to spell your words!
- ☉ **Hidden words**- Write your spelling words. Circle all of the the small words that you see in them.
- ☉ **Water Wash** - (Warm day required!) Use a paintbrush and water to write your words on the sidewalk!
- ☉ **Trace Around** - Print one of your spelling words neatly. Take a colored pen and draw an outline around the word, closely following the shapes of the letters. Close your eyes and remember the shape. Now try to write the word.
- ☉ **Finger Tracing** - Use your finger to spell out each of your words one letter at a time on your Mom or Dad's back. Then it's YOUR turn to feel and spell.
- ☉ **Practice Test** - Take a practice test (this is especially good on Thursday night before the REAL test!) *Parent signature required*
- ☉ **Scrabble** - Use Scrabble tiles to spell your words.
- ☉ **Swat Words** - Write out your spelling words in big letters on a big sheet of paper. Ask your parents, brother, sister, or friend clues like ("The first letter is _ and the last letter is _.") See if you can "swat it" with a fly swatter!
- ☉ **Rainbow Words** - Write a spelling word with your pencil. Now trace around the outside with a crayon, hugging the same but not touching the letters. Pick two other crayons to continue tracing outward!
- ☉ **Create an activity**- The sky is the limit! Can you think of a fun way to do your spelling activities? Try it out! Write a brief explanation of the activity and your review of how it went.
- ☉ **Backwards words**- First write your words forward and then write them backwards!
- ☉ **Syllables**- First, divide each of your spelling words into syllables. Next, write each of your words as many times as there are syllables.
- ☉ **Pasta words**- Use pasta letters to spell your words and glue them on paper
- ☉ **I spy**- Draw a picture and hide your words inside.
- ☉ **Words in motion**- Post the words on a wall. Bounce a ball for each letter of the word as you spell it out loud. Switch hands for each word that you spell (variations: Jump back and forth across a line, jump on a trampoline, or bounce a balloon in the air).

50 POINT ACTIVITIES:

- ☉ **Cursive Words**- Write each word 6 times in cursive
- ☉ **ABC Order** - Write your words in alphabetical order. Then write them in reverse alphabetical order.
- ☉ **Connect the Dots** - You will need a partner for this game! Make a square of 4 rows of dots with 4 dots in each row. Before taking a turn, the player must spell a spelling word. If the word is

correct, he connects two dots. When a player forms a square, he can write his initials in the box. Player with most squares at the end wins.

- Ⓢ **Sentence Please** - Write a sentence for each spelling word.
- Ⓢ **Colorful Words** - Use two different color pens to write your spelling words. Use one color to write the consonants and the other for the vowels. Do this one more time. Close your eyes and picture the word in your mind. Now try and write the word with just one color.
- Ⓢ **Word search** - With your parent's permission, make a word search puzzle online using the following link: <http://puzzlemaker.discoveryeducation.com/>
- Ⓢ **Memory Game** - Make pairs of word cards. Flip them over and try to match the pairs!
- Ⓢ **Sing Them Loud, Sing Them Soft** - Have your Mom or Dad sing the letters of a spelling word to you in a loud voice. You echo the spelling and then sing it again softly. Now BOTH of you sing the word in the voice you choose (don't be afraid to be silly and have some fun with this)!
- Ⓢ **Silly Sentences**- Use all of your words in ten **silly** sentences.
- Ⓢ **Stair steps** - Write words as if they are stairs, adding one letter each time. (If you are using lined paper, begin up against the left margin line. If you are using graph paper, begin on the left.)

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spe
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spell

- Ⓢ **Pyramid Words** - Write your words adding or subtracting one letter at a time. The result will be a pyramid shape of words

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pyr
pyra
pyram
pyrami
pyramid

- Ⓢ **Online Spelling Game**- <http://teacher.scholastic.com/tools/spelling.htm>



YOU type in 10 of your spelling words and then choose to either make a Scramble or Word Search



This site is GREAT! You type in your list of words and you can then choose from many activities using your words! It can even test you! You've GOT to try it out. Register for free and you can save your lists.

75 POINT ACTIVITIES:

- Ⓢ **Story, Story** - Write a story using ALL of your spelling words. Underline your spelling words. (All sentences must be complete).
- Ⓢ **Comic Strip** - Create a comic strip and write captions using each of your spelling words. Underline your spelling words.
- Ⓢ **As Seen on T.V.**- Write a T.V. commercial for your favorite toy. Use at least half of your spelling words.
- Ⓢ **Poem**- Write a poem using ½ of your words in your best cursive handwriting. Give it a title and illustrate it.

- ☉ **Advertise it-** Create a product on a poster you would like to sell and use ½ of your spelling words to advertize it. Your poster must include the product, name, illustration, and cost. Be creative and have fun!
- ☉ **Read All About It-** Pretend you are a news anchor, weather person, or reporter. Using your words, write a report.
- ☉ **Word Mobile-** Make a mobile that displays all of your spelling words. Be creative. Each piece of your mobile should have your word and an illustration.
- ☉ **Riddle Me** - Write a riddle for each word.

This is a contract that we will all sign. By signing this contract, you are agreeing to do work each week with your spelling words that equals to at least 100 points. Your contract work is due **EVERY FRIDAY** without fail and is to be stapled to and recorded on the *Spelling Contract Weekly Record Chart*, provided. If school is not to be held on a certain Friday, the work will automatically be due on Thursday. **You will need to keep a copy of the contract in your homework folder for easy access.** You may also access the spelling contract on our class website. Contract work not turned in will result in loss of recess time until all work is caught up. A late notice will be sent home to parents notifying them of missing work. Have fun!!!!

Student Signature

Date

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

Teacher Signature

Date