

Spelling Power

Unit 1: Review Lessons 1-4

accommodate	acknowledgment	acquaintance	adjourn	appalling
descend	dispense	eccentric	enhance	exaggerate
feasible	hamper	impulsive	knoll	literal
questionnaire	mutually	valid	recommend	sustain

Fill in the word from the list above that best completes each sentence.

- The hotel could not _____ any additional guests.
- Alice waited for the machine to _____ soda.
- Public television stations throughout the U.S. mailed a _____ to their viewers.
- Candace would like some _____ for her hard work.
- People who act in unique and unusual ways are often described as _____.
- The teacher tells jokes to _____ her students' interest during long classes.
- There is a sycamore tree growing on the _____.
- Sometimes my spelling is _____.
- Watching TV will not _____ your progress on your homework.
- Walking from San Francisco to Paris is not _____.

For each phrase below, write the word from the list above that best fits the phrase.

acquaintance	hamper	exaggerate	descend	adjourn
optimism	impulsive	recommend	literal	mutually

- tell a "fish story" _____
- to hold back or a laundry basket _____
- free-spirited _____
- "Pleased to make your _____."
- anticipating the best _____
- "The court will now _____."
- suggest, as at a restaurant _____
- "They reached an agreement _____."
- actual _____
- opposite of ascend _____

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Proofreading Application

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Read the following advice column. Find the twenty misspelled words and circle them. Then, on the numbered lines below, write the correct spelling for each circled word.

Dear Gabby,

My disagreeable neighbor barges in and eats all my potato chips. When I ask him not to encroche on my property, he laughs and makes fun of my mustash. Should I shave it off?

Signed, Fuzzy Face

Dear Fuzzy,

Don't shave, don't be embarased, and don't be suttle with this crimalnal nuisance. Lock your door and lock up the chips.

Dear Gabby,

My cable TV costs are so high that I'm going to have to morgage the house to pay them. Even with the cable, the TV works only if I gyrait the rabbit ears. Should I boycott the cable company?

Signed, Tube Troubles

Dear Troubles,

Your complaint sounds valed. This cable company aparently has overblone rates and underdone service. Quick—before the debu of the new fall shows—grab the Yellow Pages and find a better deal.

Dear Gabby,

I am six years old. My doctor and her acomplice gave my parents a questionnaire about the shots I've had. Now they want to vaccinate me against all kinds of things. Save me!

Signed, Desperate

Dear Desperate,

Look at this situation with optomism. You don't want to get all dehidrated from the flu or get neumonina, do you? Ask your parents to use psycology. If they offer you a reward, you may not even notice the shots.

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