

Max's Magnificent Spelling Challenge

Learning objective: To demonstrate accurate spelling of Grade 4 common exception words, homophones, and words with prefixes and suffixes.

Max the monkey has been busy sorting his math puzzles, but he has jumbled up some of his favorite words! Help Max unscramble the spelling rules and complete this quiz. Aim for full marks!

Answer Key: 1. A (cemetery), 2. True, 3. False (it is rhythm), 4. B (accommodate), 5. Necessary, 6. False (it is 'their' for possession), 7. A (neighbor), 8. C (persuade), 9. Stomach, 10. False (it is 'definite').

Word bank: accommodate · definite · neighbor · persuade · rhythm · awkward · cemetery · identity · stomach · necessary

1. Which of these words is spelt correctly? A) cemetary, B) cemetery, C) semetary, D) cemmetry. Choose the correct letter. (1 mark)

2. True or False: The word 'identity' ends in a '-ty' suffix. (1 mark)

3. True or False: 'Rythm' is the correct spelling of the word referring to a strong, regular, repeated pattern of movement or sound. (1 mark)

4. Max needs to fit his books onto a shelf. Which is the correct spelling for 'to provide space for'? A) acomodate, B) accommodate, C) accomodate, D) accomodate. (1 mark)

5. What is the missing word? 'It is _____ to bring a raincoat when exploring the forest with Bea the Bee.' (1 mark)

6. True or False: In the sentence 'The explorers found there map', the word 'there' is spelt correctly. (1 mark)

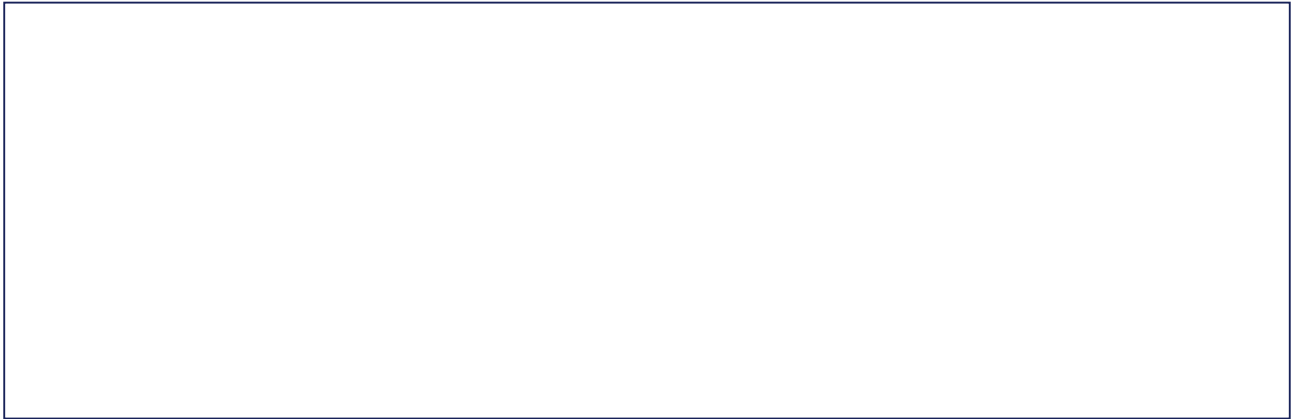
7. Which word describes someone who lives next door? A) neighbor, B) nieghbour, C) neighbour, D) naighbour. (1 mark)

8. Which word means to convince someone to do something? A) perswaid, B) pursuade, C) persuade, D) perswade. (1 mark)

9. Fill in the blank: After eating too many honey-cakes, my _____ began to ache. (1 mark)

10. True or False: The word 'definate' is spelt correctly. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw Max the monkey holding a large sign that says 'SPELLING SUPERSTAR' while sitting in a tree surrounded by floating letters.



Extension challenge: Greater Depth Challenge: 1) Explain why the word 'accommodate' contains a double 'c' and a double 'm'. 2) Compare and contrast the meanings of 'stationary' and 'stationery'; write a sentence for each. 3) Justify why it is important to check for homophones when proofreading your own poetry. 4) What might happen to the meaning of a sentence if you accidentally swap 'there', 'their', and 'they're'? 5) Create a mnemonic device to help a younger child remember how to spell 'necessary'. 6) Analyze the word 'awkward'—why is this considered a challenging word for Grade 4 pupils to spell accurately?