The School Spelling Bee Study List is broken down into three levels of difficulty: One Bee, Two Bee and Three Bee. One Bee words include words appropriate for first, second and third grade.

The list below includes 50 challenging **second** grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these words, you will be well prepared for your second-grade classroom bee. To prepare for a school spelling bee, ask your teacher for the full 450-word School Spelling Bee Study List, which includes these words, the remainder of the One Bee words, and the Two Bee and Three Bee words.

1.	bait	noun	an enticement used to attract fish or other animals (as to a hook or trap) so that they can be caught.
2.	lure	verb	to attract : to entice.
3.	cluster	noun	a number of similar things grouped together.
4.	forest	noun	a large area of land covered with lots of trees, shrubs and bushes.
5.	hollow	adjective	having an empty space or cavity within: not solid.
6.	spinning	verb	revolving or whirling rapidly.
7.	baffling	adjective	perplexing : confusing.
8.	sizzling	adjective	making a hissing sound.
9.	hoist	verb	to raise : to lift.
10.	search	noun	an endeavor to find, recover, or bring into view.
11.	remind	verb	to cause to remember.
12.	mango	noun	a yellowish red oblong to pear-shaped tropical fruit that has a firm skin and hard central stone.
13.	coral	adjective	of a variable color averaging a deep pink with yellow.
14.	jangle	verb	to cause to sound harshly or inharmoniously.
15.	shimmer	verb	to shine with a tremulous or fitful light : to gleam faintly.







16.	blossoms	plural noun	the usually colorful flowers of a seed plant.
17.	swampy	adjective	water-logged and poorly drained.
18.	studded	adjective	adorned, covered, or protected with solid buttons.
19.	focus	verb	to concentrate attention or effort.
20.	distress	noun	pain, suffering: anguish of body or mind.
21.	lessons	plural noun	classes taught on a single subject.
22.	moment	noun	a point of time : an instant.
23.	ajar	adverb	slightly open.
24.	basil	noun	the dried or fresh leaves of an aromatic of the mint family that is used especially as a seasoning.
25.	triple	adjective	being three times as much or as great or as many.
26.	satin	noun	a smooth fabric with a shiny front and dull back.
27.	ahoy	interjection	— used in greeting or beckoning by calling to.
28.	signal	noun	a sound or gesture made to give notice.
29.	answer	noun	something spoken or written in reply : a response to a question, call, summons, or appeal.
30.	shuffle	verb	to slide the feet back and forth without lifting them.
31.	dollop	noun	a lump or blob of something semiliquid or mushy.
32.	minnows	plural noun	small fish common in gravelly streams and attaining a length of about three inches maximum.
33.	silver	noun	a white metallic element that is very easy to shape and is used to make coins, silverware, jewelry and other items.
34.	before	adverb	earlier than.



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35.	circus	noun	a spectacular public entertainment given usually in a large tent and made up of acts of physical skill and daring and comedy by clowns.
36.	writing	adjective	of, relating to, or used in or for the act or art of forming letters on a suitable medium to communicate the ideas which characters and words express.
37.	kitchen	noun	a place (such as a room) with cooking facilities.
38.	sugar	noun	a sweet crystallizable substance that consists entirely or essentially of sucrose and that is colorless or white when pure.
39.	awkward	adjective	lacking dexterity or skill especially in the use of the hands or of instruments : clumsy.
40.	seep	verb	to flow or pass slowly through fine pores or small openings : to ooze.
41.	sweet	adjective	marked by or arising from graciousness, kindness, or sympathy.
42.	wheels	plural noun	round frames that attach to a shaft on which they turn.
43.	faint	adjective	feeble, dizzy, and likely to pass out due to hunger, illness, pain, shock or emotion.
44.	fruit	noun	the reproductive body of a seed plant having an edible more or less sweet pulp associated with the seed.
45.	roam	verb	to go from place to place without a specific purpose or direction : rove, wander.
46.	goats	plural noun	agile hollow-horned ruminant mammals long domesticated for their milk, wool, and flesh.
47.	woozy	adjective	affected with dizziness, mild nausea, or weakness.
48.	limbs	plural noun	legs or arms of a human being.
49.	ahead	adverb	farther in the direction in which a person or thing is going.
50.	señor	noun	mister — used as a title of courtesy prefixed to the name of a Spanish or Spanish-speaking man.