

# Rutgers Learning Centers

At Camden Campus

## SPELLING INVENTORY

To understand why you have problems with spelling, please answer the following questions.

Answer **-A-** for Always, **-F-** for Frequently, **-R-** for Rarely

- |  | -A-                      | -F-                      | -R-                      |
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| 1. Do you add or leave out a letter of a word because you add or leave out a syllable when you pronounce words?                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. When you learn a new word, do you sound out the word as you are reading it to learn the correct pronunciation?                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Do you ever add an extra vowel (a-e-i-o-u) in the words you misspell?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Do you usually spell a word by how it sounds when you say it?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Do you use a dictionary to read signs and syllables that will help you pronounce a word properly?                             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Do you misspell the same words again and again?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. When you learn a new word, do you carefully copy the word and its meaning, and write a sentence using the new word correctly? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Do you make more errors spelling words you have heard but have not seen?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Do you misspell the same words time after time?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. Do you frequently confuse words, like except and accept, that sound somewhat alike?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. Are you unsure when to double a consonant (-p-, -r-, -l-, -g-)?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. Do you make spelling errors when adding a prefix or suffix to a root word?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. Do you use the "i" before "e" rule when spelling?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. Do you use the rule for making plurals with -s- and -es-?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15. Do you frequently reverse the order of letters in words?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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## SPELLING INVENTORY - KEY

### Spelling problems due to pronunciation:

Questions 2 and 5

Each "A"	=	2 points	_____A x 2	=	_____
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	0 points	_____R x 0	=	_____

Questions 1, 3, and 4

Each "A"	=	0 points	_____A x 0	=	-0-
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	2 points	_____R x 2	=	_____

### Spelling problems due to lack of reinforcement::

Question 7

Each "A"	=	2 points	_____A x 2	=	_____
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	0 points	_____R x 0	=	_____

Questions 6, 8, 9, and 10

Each "A"	=	0 points	_____A x 0	=	-0-
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	2 points	_____R x 2	=	_____

### Spelling problems due to ill-knowledge of spelling rules:

Questions 13 and 14

Each "A"	=	2 points	_____A x 2	=	_____
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	0 points	_____R x 0	=	_____

Questions 11 and 12

Each "A"	=	0 points	_____A x 0	=	-0-
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	2 points	_____R x 2	=	_____

### Spelling difficulty that may warrant further investigation:

Question 15

Each "A"	=	0 points	_____A x 0	=	-0-
Each "F"	=	1 points	_____F x 1	=	_____
Each "R"	=	2 points	_____R x 2	=	_____