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

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

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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 = _____