



**Study Words for
Eighth Graders**

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| depravity | taciturn | anxiety | subconscious | |
| manuscript | unwonted | stimulus | delicatessen | |
| taboo <i>or</i> tabu | beguile | insurrection | hors d'oeuvre | |
| accomplishment | impediment | nominative | diaphanous | |
| empirical | personage | palate | polymathic | |
| quantitative | predicament | anemic <i>or</i> anaemic | cerebellum | coalescence |
| forensics | apportion | caricature | faux | apostate |
| fantastically | interrogative | compunction | jitney | solitaire |
| recyclable | geologist | ineluctable | stenographer | cadre |
| disparage | preposterous | haughtiness | paucity | dystopia |
| subsequent | constitutional | nuance | miasma | presidio |
| unforeseeable | audacious | depilatory | parliamentary | grandiloquence |
| extant | verbiage | consignment | indefatigable | herbaceous |
| monitory | raucous | idyll <i>or</i> idyl | apotheosis | incandescence |
| vernal | statistician | giantesque | invertebrate | salubrious |
| fallibility | compendium | amateurish | gelato | augury |
| comportment | optometry | equanimity | artifice | beatitude |
| untenable | emulate | protuberant | cauterize | malachite |
| archaic | disingenuous | pantheon | contemporaneous | fabulist |
| derisible | mitigate | manageability | baccalaureate | bravado |
| officiant | salinity | galvanize | pompadour | inimitable |

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This list includes 50 challenging eighth grade words and, to extend learning, 50 challenging ninth grade words. A student who learns these 100 words will be well prepared for a eighth grade classroom bee. A student who learns the study words from the School Spelling Bee Study List will be well prepared for a school spelling bee. A teacher may access the School Spelling Bee Study List by logging into spellingbee.com and visiting the Student Materials section.