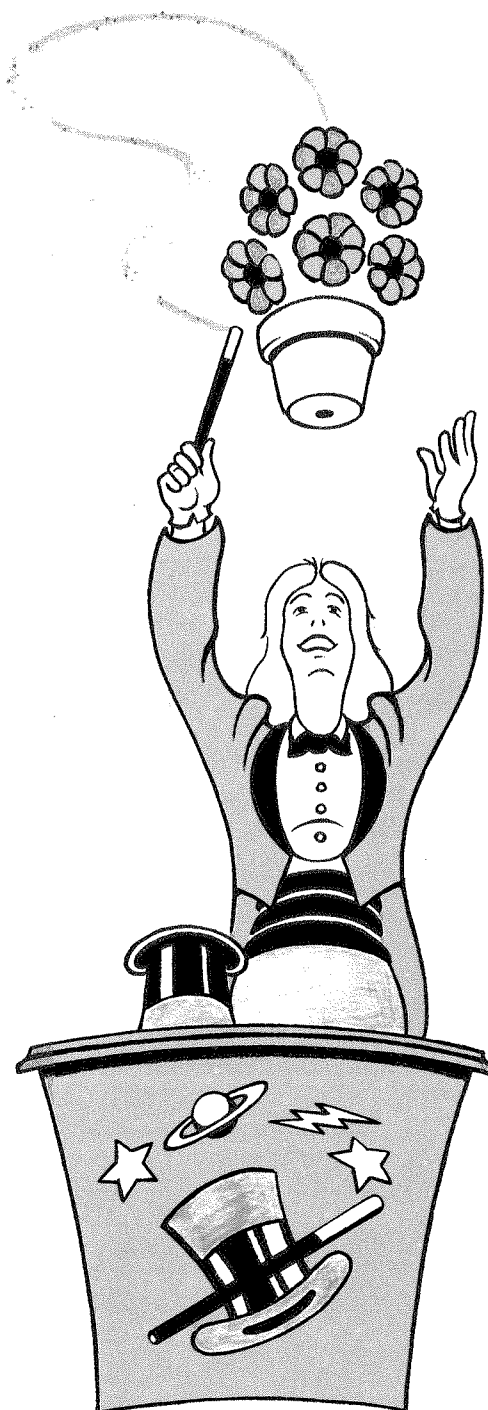


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Learning to Spell a Word

1. Look at the word and say the letters.
2. Close your eyes and "picture" the word.
3. Spell the word silently.
4. Cover the word and write it on paper.
5. Check your spelling.

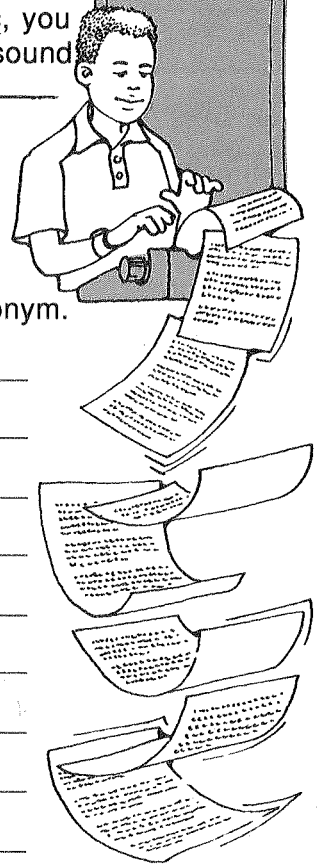


Game Plan

The vowel **a** can spell many different sounds. Read each word below and notice the sound that **a** makes in each word.

alienvacatefabricallegiance

In alien and vacate, you hear the long **a** sound. In fabric, you hear the short **a** sound. In allegiance, **a** has the schwa sound.



Warm Up

Vocabulary Development

Write the List Word that matches each synonym.

1. foreign _____
2. foundation _____
3. non-professional _____
4. leave _____
5. loyalty _____
6. partnership _____
7. book _____
8. almost _____
9. cloth _____
10. genuine _____

Dictionary Skills

Write List Words that have the short **a** sound, as in act. Use the dictionary to check your answers.

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 7. _____ | |

1. *abdomen*
2. *alfalfa*
3. *alien*
4. *bachelor*
5. *tangerine*
6. *transparency*
7. *allegiance*
8. *anniversary*
9. *diameter*
10. *actual*
11. *advancement*
12. *amateur*
13. *association*
14. *manuscript*
15. *adhesive*
16. *fabric*
17. *basis*
18. *astronomy*
19. *vacate*
20. *approximately*

Practice

Word Analysis

Write the List Words containing the elements given below.

double consonants (ll, nn, pp, ss)

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

the same root as each word given

5. annual _____ 8. transparent _____





6. astronomer _____ 9. diametrical _____

7. vacation _____ 10. basic _____

Proofreading

Use the proofreading marks to correct the mistakes in the sentences. Then write the misspelled words correctly on the lines.

Proofreading Marks

-  spelling mistake  capital letter
 add period, question mark, or exclamation mark
 add apostrophe

1. Geraldo, who was a batchelor, was studying astronomy at star College. _____
2. he was still an amature, but he really wanted to be a professional. _____
3. A scientists allegience should be to the advancement of science. _____
4. Where is that manuescript about the transparency of alpha waves _____
5. At noon, geraldo stopped and ate an alfalffa sprout sandwich. _____
6. He also had a tangerine, accidntly dropping part of it _____
7. approximatly an hour later, Geraldo returned to his work. _____
8. He saw a large orange object in the sky, about a mile in dimater _____
9. The earth was about to be wiped out by an allien orange planet _____
10. He knew the schools associasion of astronomers should be called. _____
11. Was the advancment of science at stake _____
12. A teacher asked geraldo what the bassis was for his discovery. _____
13. Ms. chu, the teacher, found the actuall cause of all the fuss. _____
14. The orange-colored planet was a piece of tangerene on the telescope _____
15. Geraldos reputation in astronemy was bruised, but not ruined. _____

List Words

abdomen	transparency	advancement	fabric
alfalfa	allegiance	amateur	basis
alien	anniversary	association	astronomy
bachelor	diameter	manuscript	vacate
tangerine	actual	adhesive	approximately

Puzzle

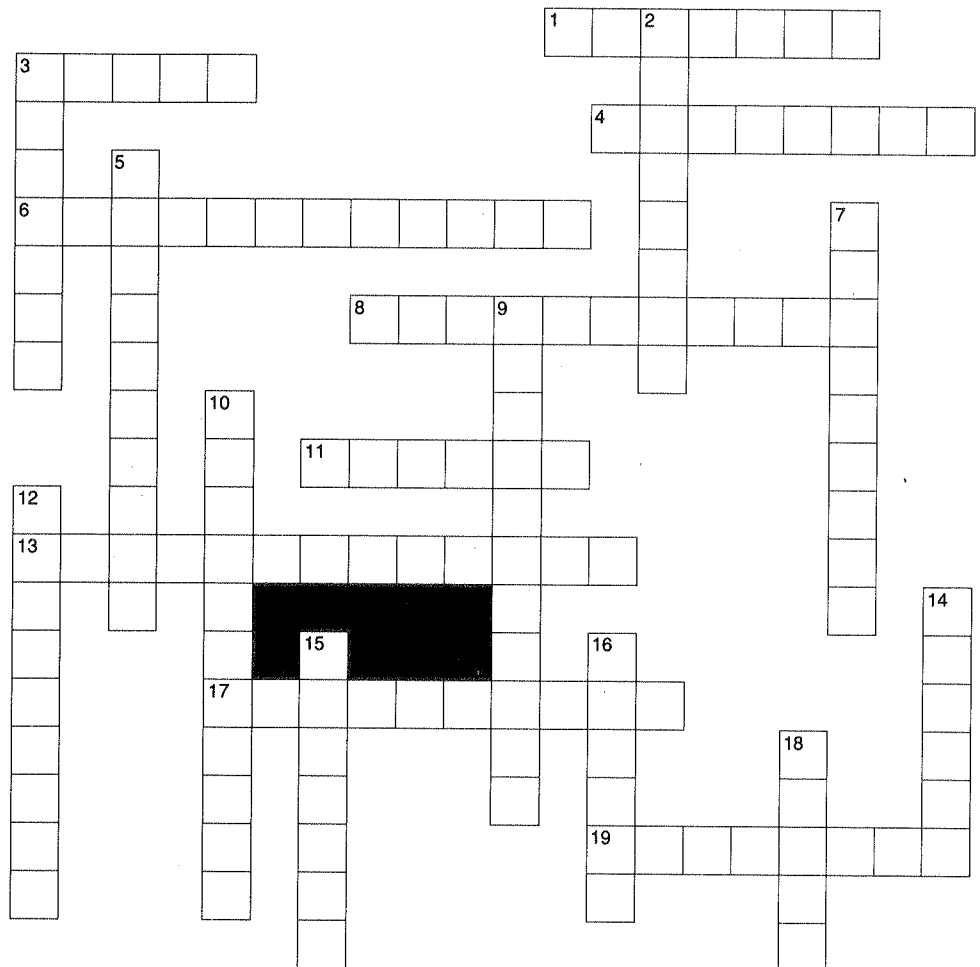
Use the List Words to complete the crossword puzzle.

ACROSS

1. contains the stomach
3. strange or foreign
4. unmarried man
6. photographic slide
8. moving forward
11. cloth
13. nearly correct
17. loyalty or devotion
19. a sticky substance

DOWN

2. a line passing through the center of a circle
3. non-professional
5. typewritten book
7. the study of stars and planets
9. once-a-year date
10. group of people joined in some way
12. citrus fruit
14. to make vacant
15. food for cattle
16. as it really is
18. foundation



Test Yourself

In each pair of List Words, underline the misspelled word and write it correctly on the line.

1. adhesive, allien _____
2. basis, amature _____
3. fabrick, alfalfa _____
4. transparancy, abdomen _____
5. bachelor, tangerine _____
6. diameter, actuall _____
7. aniversary, manuscript _____
8. advancment, vacate _____
9. allegiance, astronomy _____
10. association, aproximately _____

Challenges

Express Yourself

Sometimes food recipes in magazines at the grocery check-out counter can sound pretty silly, like "Magical Meatless Meat Loaf" and "Chili con Carrots." Imagine that you have been hired to create one of these recipes. Write your own recipe. Include a list of ingredients and a description of how to make your special dish. Don't forget to give it an interesting title! Be sure to proofread and revise your recipe. Then trade recipes with your classmates. Maybe you can arrange for a taste-testing session for your new concoction!



Bonus Words: Home Economics

utensils	luncheon	buffet	blanch	marinate
beverage	perishable	casserole	microwave	garnish

Write the Bonus Word that matches each clue given.

- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. scald or boil _____ | 6. baking dish _____ |
| 2. something to drink _____ | 7. midday meal _____ |
| 3. decorate _____ | 8. soak in liquid _____ |
| 4. can spoil _____ | 9. kind of oven _____ |
| 5. tools _____ | 10. place to set out food _____ |