



Most Commonly Misspelled Words

These 100 words are most commonly misspelled across all grade levels.

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| 1. too | 26. didn't | 51. like | 76. about |
| 2. a lot | 27. people | 52. whole | 77. first |
| 3. because | 28. until | 53. another | 78. happened |
| 4. there | 29. with | 54. believe | 79. Mom |
| 5. their | 30. different | 55. I'm | 80. especially |
| 6. that's | 31. outside | 56. thought | 81. school |
| 7. they | 32. we're | 57. let's | 82. getting |
| 8. it's | 33. through | 58. before | 83. started |
| 9. when | 34. upon | 59. beautiful | 84. was |
| 10. favorite | 35. probably | 60. everything | 85. which |
| 11. went | 36. don't | 61. very | 86. stopped |
| 12. Christmas | 37. sometimes | 62. into | 87. two |
| 13. were | 38. off | 63. caught | 88. Dad |
| 14. our | 39. everybody | 64. one | 89. took |
| 15. they're | 40. hear | 65. Easter | 90. friend's |
| 16. said | 41. always | 66. what | 91. presents |
| 17. know | 42. I | 67. there's | 92. are |
| 18. you're | 43. something | 68. little | 93. morning |
| 19. friend | 44. would | 69. doesn't | 94. could |
| 20. friends | 45. want | 70. usually | 95. around |
| 21. really | 46. and | 71. clothes | 96. buy |
| 22. finally | 47. Halloween | 72. scared | 97. maybe |
| 23. where | 48. house | 73. everyone | 98. family |
| 24. again | 49. once | 74. have | 99. pretty |
| 25. then | 50. to | 75. swimming | 100. tried |

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another	friends	named	thought
around	frightened	off	threw
asked	from	once	through
babies	getting	our	to
beautiful	going	people	together
because	happening	pretty	too
before	hear	received	tried
believe	heard	running	two
bought	here	said	until
came	him	school	very
caught	interesting	some	wanted
children	its	something	went
clothes	it's	sometimes	were
coming	jumped	started	when
course	knew	stopped	where
cousin	know	surprise	with
decided	let's	swimming	woman
didn't	like	than	would
different	little	that's	you're

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This list was compiled over 50 years ago by National Curriculum Associates from the creative writings of 14,643 children. The submissions were checked for spelling errors by city and by grade levels (3-8). The following represents the 100 most commonly misspelled words, arranged in alphabetical order. It is interesting that a half century later these same words are still causing problems for writers.

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102 Frequently Misspelled Words

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absence	excellent	pneumonia
accidentally	excitement	possess
accommodate	experience	practically
achieve	familiar	preferred
acquaintance	fascinate	privilege
against	favorite	probably
a lot	February	raspberry
already	finally	realize
argument	foreign	receive
attendance	friend	recommend
because	government	remember
beginning	grammar	restaurant
believe	guarantee	rhythm
business	height	ridiculous
calendar	immediately	schedule
cemetery	independent	scissors
chief	instead	separate
committee	interrupt	similar
conscience	judgment	sincerely
convenience	leisure	straight
courageous	library	strengthen
criticize	lightning	studying
decision	lonely	summarize
definitely	lying	surprise
desperately	millionaire	thorough
dictionary	mischievous	tomorrow
different	necessary	truly
disease	niece	until
doesn't	noticeable	vacuum
embarrass	occasion	vegetable
enough	occurred	Wednesday
environment	opposite	weight
especially	particular	weird
exaggerate	physical	yacht