

Lesson 9 Spelling List

1. attitude	11. clown	CHALLENGE WORDS
2. defend	12. talk	1. <i>bounce</i>
3. gradually	13. sound	2. <i>officer</i>
4. individual	14. would	
5. malicious	15. count	
6. surveys	16. mouth	
7. confessing	17. cloth	
8. solution	18. also	
9. misery	19. soft	
10. hints	20. crown	

Lesson 9 Vocabulary List

attitude: *n.* A way of thinking or feeling about certain things. (Example: Complaining and grouchy before lunch, Tina had quite a different attitude after she had eaten something.)

confess: *v.* To say or admit that one has done something wrong. (Example: When my older sister accused me of getting spots on her best sweater, I confessed that I had, but by accident.)

defend: *v.* 1. To keep from being attacked; to protect. (Example: The mother goose defended her young by beating her wings up and down as she ran toward us hissing.)

2. To speak for; to argue in favor of. (Example: My cousin defended me when my brother complained that I never helped with the dishes.)

gradual: *adj.* Happening slowly; taking place little by little. (Example: The rising sea level is caused by the gradual melting of the ice cap in Antarctica.)

hint: *n.* Information given to help someone to answer a question; a clue. (Example: Mr. Wang said he would not give us any hints until we had tried to solve the puzzle.)

v. To suggest something without saying directly what one means. (Example: Rosa had hinted so often about receiving a puppy for her birthday that her parents felt they could not disappoint her.)

individual: *n.* A single person, apart from others in a group. (Example: When the teacher asked everyone in class who knew the answer to stand, only one individual stood.)

adj. Meant for just one. (Example: At the kennel, all the animals were kept in individual cages.)

malice: *n.* The wish to hurt others on purpose. (Example: Although Camilla felt no malice toward whoever stole her wallet, she was going to be angry if it was not returned.)

malicious: *adj.* Done with a wish to harm or cause pain. (Example: Everyone agreed that spray painting words on the side of the new store was a malicious thing to do.)

misery: *n.* A feeling of great unhappiness. (Example: The flash flood brought misery to hundreds of families whose homes were now standing in four feet of water.)

miserable: *adj.* 1. Very unhappy or unpleasant. (Example: The mosquitoes were so thick in the woods that I was miserable for the entire hike.)

2. Very bad; of poor quality. (Example: We discovered what a miserable job the roofer had done when we found a leak in the attic after the next rainstorm.)

solution: *n.* 1. The answer to a problem or puzzle. (Example: After filling in all but a few of the blanks in the crossword puzzle, Rico turned to the back of the newspaper for the solution.)

2. A mixture formed when a liquid and some other stuff are mixed together. (Example: Brine, which is a solution of salt and water, keeps pickles crisp and fresh.)

survey: *v.* To look over; to examine. (Example: From a helicopter, the governor surveyed the damage caused by the tornado.)

n. A study designed to gather information about a subject. (Example: Our class made a survey of all students to find out which lunches were most popular.)