

Question breakdown

Q	Spelling	Content domain reference
1	space	S8 – vowel digraph: <i>a-e</i> S15 – the /s/ sound spelt <i>c</i> before <i>e</i>
2	become	S8 – vowel digraph: <i>o-e</i>
3	quickest	S7 – adding <i>-est</i> to adjectives where no change is needed in the root word
4	village	S14 – the /dʒ/ sound spelt as <i>-ge</i> at the end of words
5	circus	S15 – the /s/ sound spelt <i>c</i> before <i>i</i>
6	enough	S59 – words containing the letter string <i>ough</i>
7	mermaid	S8 – vowel digraphs: <i>er (/ɜ:/)</i> , <i>ai</i>
8	kettle	S11 – using <i>k</i> for the /k/ sound S18 – the /əl/ sound spelt <i>-le</i> at the end of words
9	worthy	S8 – the /ɜ:/ sound spelt <i>or</i> after <i>w</i>
10	offered	S1 – the sound /f/ spelt <i>ff</i> S6 – adding the endings <i>-ed</i> to verbs where no change is needed in the root word
11	confusion	S45 – endings that sound like /ʒən/
12	dazzle	S1 – the sound /z/ spelt <i>zz</i> S18 – the /əl/ sound spelt <i>-le</i> at the end of words
13	nevertheless	S1 – the sound /s/ spelt <i>ss</i> S12 – compound words
14	casual	S33 – the /z/ sound spelt <i>s</i>
15	potatoes	S5 – adding <i>-es</i> to words (plural of nouns)
16	speechless	S34 – the suffix <i>-less</i>
17	terrify	S22 – the /aɪ/ sound spelt <i>-y</i> at the end of words
18	reindeer	S8 – vowel digraph: <i>ee</i> S52 – words with the /eɪ/ sound spelt <i>ei</i>
19	shiniest	S24 – adding <i>-est</i> to a root word ending in <i>-y</i> with a consonant before it

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20	completely	S8 – vowel digraph: e-e S43 – the suffix <i>-ly</i>
21	pyramid	S39 – the /i/ sound spelt <i>y</i> other than at the end of words
22	expectant	S55 – words ending in <i>-ant</i>
23	referee	S57 – adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in <i>-fer</i>
24	countries	S23 – adding <i>-es</i> to nouns and verbs ending in <i>-y</i> S40 – the /ʌ/ sound spelt <i>ou</i>
25	remarkably	S11 – using <i>k</i> for the /k/ sound S56 – words ending in <i>-ably</i>
26	crucial	S54 – endings which sound like /fəl/
27	whose	S10 – new consonant spellings <i>wh</i> S61 – homophones and near-homophones
28	disagreement	S34 – the suffix <i>-ment</i> S41 – prefixes
29	suspicious	S53 – endings which sound like /fəs/ spelt <i>-cious</i>
30	except	S61 – homophones and near-homophones
31	occur	S8 – vowel digraph: <i>ur</i>
32	tranquil	S21 – words ending in <i>-il</i>
33	devise	S8 – vowel digraph: <i>i-e</i> S61 – homophones and near-homophones
34	technique	S48 – words with the /k/ sound spelt <i>ch</i> S50 – words ending with the /k/ sound spelt <i>-que</i>
35	disappear	S8 – vowel trigraph: <i>ear</i> (/ɛə/) S41 – prefixes
36	rebellion	S1 – the sound /l/ spelt <i>ll</i> S38 – adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable

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37	foreign	S60 – words with ‘silent’ letters
38	superstitious	S53 – endings which sound like /fəs/ spelt <i>-tious</i>
39	gnaw	S16 – the /n/ sound spelt <i>gn-</i> at the beginning of words
40	precede	S61 – homophones and near-homophones