

English Spelling: Medium Practice Paper 2 Answers

Q#	Answer	Explanation
1	A	'embarassed' should be spelled 'embarrassed'. The word doubles both letters in the middle: two r letters and two s letters. The mistake is in group A.
2	B	'tomatos' should be spelled 'tomatoes'. A noun ending in -o after a consonant takes -es in the plural, as in potatoes and heroes. The mistake is in group B.
3	E	Every word here is spelled correctly. Weird, ceiling and eight are all exceptions to the i-before-e rhyme, and each one is spelled as it should be. So there is no mistake in this sentence.
4	D	'thorougly' should be spelled 'thoroughly'. The adverb is thorough plus -ly, so the silent gh of thorough is kept. The mistake is in group D.
5	A	'suprised' should be spelled 'surprised'. There are two r letters, one in sur- and one in -prised, even though the first is easy to miss when saying it. The mistake is in group A.
6	B	'adressed' should be spelled 'addressed'. The prefix ad- meets the root dress, so the word has two d letters as well as two s letters. The mistake is in group B.
7	E	Every word here is spelled correctly. Received follows the rule of e before i after a c, and describing drops the e of describe before -ing. So there is no mistake in this sentence.
8	C	'wodden' should be spelled 'wooden'. It is built from wood, so it keeps the double o and takes a single d before -en. The mistake is in group C.
9	D	'diffrent' should be spelled 'different'. There is an e in the middle that is easy to swallow when speaking: dif-fer-ent. The mistake is in group D.
10	C	'chimnies' should be spelled 'chimneys'. The y follows a vowel, so it does not change to i: just add s, as in donkeys and valleys. The mistake is in group C.