

English Spelling: Hard Practice Paper 8 Answers

Q#	Answer	Explanation
1	A	'fourty' should be spelled 'forty'. Four, fourteen and fourth all keep the u, but forty loses it, which makes it one of the most commonly misspelled numbers in English. The mistake is in group A.
2	C	'liesure' should be spelled 'leisure'. Like weird and seize, it puts the e before the i although there is no c in front, so the i-before-e rule does not help here. The mistake is in group C.
3	B	'predjudice' should be spelled 'prejudice'. There is no d after the e: it is the prefix pre- meaning before, joined to a root shared with judge and judicial. The mistake is in group B.
4	E	Every word here is spelled correctly. Vehicle has a silent h in the middle, awkwardly keeps the whole of awkward before -ly, and driveway is simply drive joined to way. So there is no mistake in this sentence.
5	D	'amature' should be spelled 'amateur'. It is another word taken straight from French, and it ends -eur, like chauffeur and entrepreneur. The mistake is in group D.
6	A	'enterance' should be spelled 'entrance'. Although it comes from enter, the e in the middle is dropped when -ance is added: en-trance. The mistake is in group A.
7	B	'pursuade' should be spelled 'persuade'. The first vowel is an e: per-suade. It is not related to pursue, which is where the wrong spelling comes from. The mistake is in group B.
8	E	Every word here is spelled correctly. Signature keeps the silent g of sign, and illegible has a double l because the prefix in- becomes il- before an l: il + legible. So there is no mistake in this sentence.
9	C	'facinating' should be spelled 'fascinating'. There is a silent c after the s, as there is in science, muscle and conscience. The mistake is in group C.

10	D	'acquaintence' should be spelled 'acquaintance'. The ending is -ance , matching acquaintances and the verb acquaint, and there is a c after the first a: ac-quaint. The mistake is in group D.
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