

Summary Results for the Preliminaries

Number of Spellers Participating in Rounds One and Two: 519

Number of Spellers Participating in Round Three: 452

Score needed to Advance to the Finals: 28

The Preliminaries consisted of the Preliminaries Test and two rounds of onstage oral spelling. For a breakdown of the contents and scoring of the Preliminaries Test, please see Rule 2 of the *Contest Rules of the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee* on page 5 of the *2018 Bee Week Guide*. The maximum possible score a speller could earn during the Preliminaries was 36 points.

The 41 Spellers Advancing to the Finals:

11 - Jacob Faulk	14 - Amith Vasantha	15 - Enya Hubers
24 - Cameron Keith	37 - Siddharth Doppalapudi	44 - Lauren Guo
48 - Medina Miranda	50 - Aisha Randhawa	60 - Simone Kaplan
70 - Rishik Gandhasri	72 - Paul Hamrick	74 - Nidhi Vadlamudi
80 - Anisha Rao	94 - Samhita Kumar	98 - Erin Howard
133 - Tara Singh	171 - Marisa Langley	192 - Jashun Paluru
209 - Brendan Pawlicki	219 - Sophia Nguyen	242 - Alice Liu
250 - Nicole Tsygan	251 - Saketh Sundar	279 - Navneeth Murali
290 - Shruthika Padhy	315 - Sravanth Malla	316 - Noah Brandt
326 - Phoebe Smith	327 - Nilla Rajan	348 - Christopher Serrao
350 - Eva Vega	361 - Snehal Choudhury	398 - Melodie Loya
436 - Pranav Nandakumar	447 - Naysa Modi	460 - Rohan Raja
471 - Karthik Nemmani	484 - Abhijay Kodali	506 - Sohun Sukhatankar
516 - Pranathi Jammula	517 - Anson Cook	

Round One Spelling Words (Preliminaries Test):

1. barrenness	2. pestilential	3. remittent
4. pataphysics	5. troglodyte	6. flagellate
7. orpiment	8. theremin	9. epipodiale
10. pteridophyte	11. bocconcini	12. eumolpique

Round One Vocabulary Words (Preliminaries Test):

13. If something is insuperable , it is:	Answer: impossible to overcome
14. Items described as chockablock are:	Answer: crowded together
15. An explicit statement is:	Answer: clear
16. Timocracy is a form of government in which:	Answer: love of glory is the ruling principle
17. What is dittography ?	Answer: the unintentional repetition of letters when copying by hand
18. Which activity would you be most likely to do mano a mano ?	Answer: boxing
19. Which would best be described as anfractuous ?	Answer: a winding maze
20. Something described as festucine is:	Answer: yellow
21. Lalopathy is a disorder of:	Answer: speech
22. An aperçu is a:	Answer: swift insight
23. Someone irenical is:	Answer: striving for harmony
24. To reticulate means to:	Answer: divide to form a network

Round Two Vocabulary Words (Preliminaries Test):

25. A comptroller is in charge of supervising:	Answer: accounts and expenditures
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Round Three Vocabulary Words (Preliminaries Test):

26. Which of the following is closest in meaning to timorous ?	Answer: fearful
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