The Spelling Bee

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Do you know a Spelling Bee? I know one well, and vow that she can spell the names of all the flowers



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And with "Dahlia" she did fine. Then she missed both "Thigh" and "Thumb," but quickly spelled "Chrysanthemum."

So I found out that Spelling Bees cannot spell all words with ease. For flower names, they spell each one, but other words? They know none.

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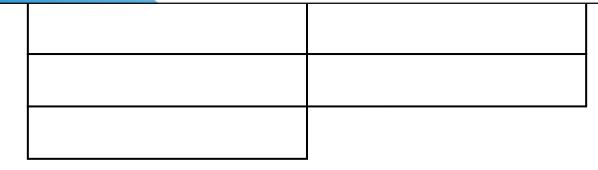
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- 1. Which choice describes the main idea of the poem?
 - **a.** A person enters a spelling bee and only spells flower words correctly.
 - **b.** A person enters a spelling bee. She misspells easy words, but correctly spells difficult words.

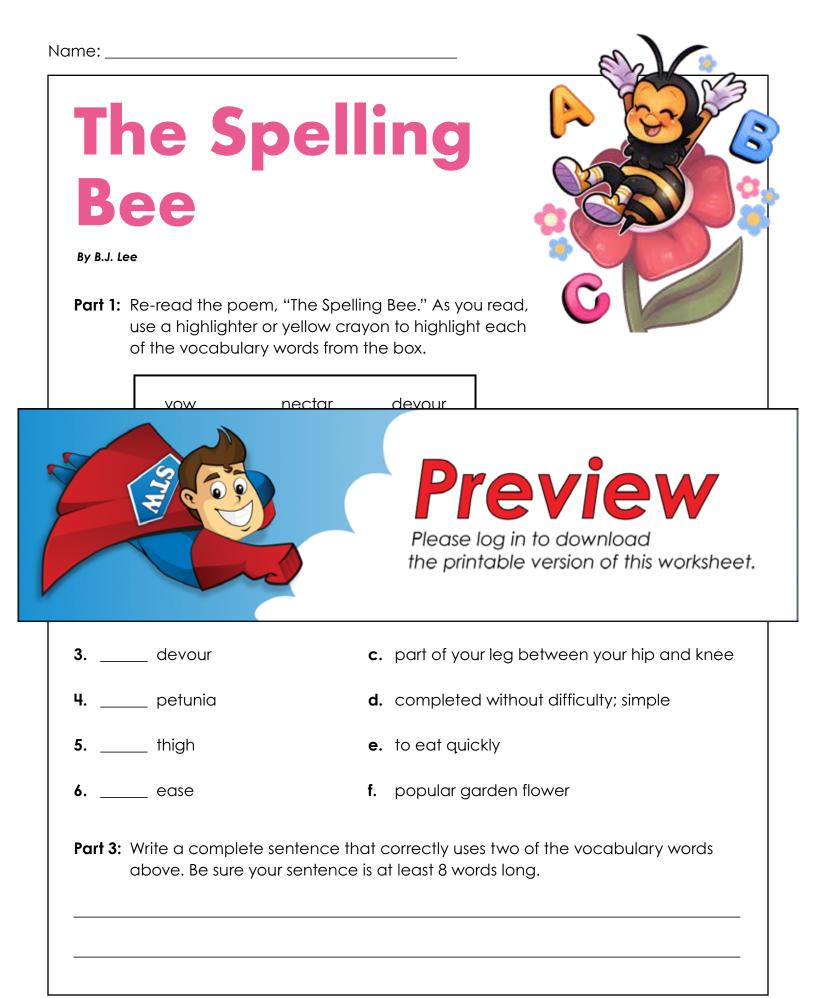


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- 3. What is the genre of this poem?
 - **a**, historical fiction
- **b.** science fiction
- **c.** realistic fiction **d.** fantasy
- **4.** Which word would the Spelling Bee most likely misspell?
 - a. daffodil
- **b.** violet
- d. buttercup c. petal



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Related Activities

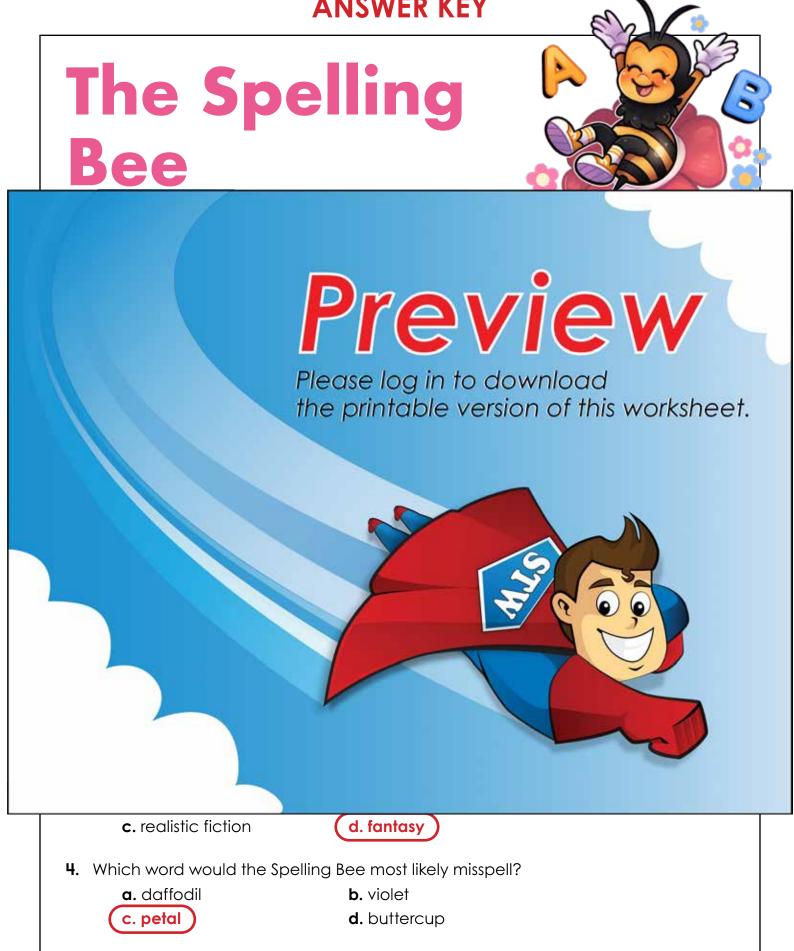
Activity 1: On a sheet of lined paper, make a list of 10 popular species of garden flowers. Choose flowers that are not mentioned in the poem, or on the



Activity 3:	magine you were allowed to plant flowers in a 10-foot by 20-foot
	rectangular garden. Use grid paper to draw a map of your garden. Draw
	the flowers and label each species. Also draw and label other things
	n your garden, such as a bench, a birdbath, or a fence. Then, write a
	descriptive paragraph titled, "My Garden." Be sure your paragraph has at
	east 7 complete sentences. Include vivid, descriptive words in your
	writing.

- Activity 4: Research bumble bees. Use books from the library, websites, or encyclopedias to find information. Your research report should have five paragraphs:
 - 1. Introduction paragraph
 - 2. Anatomy of a Bumble Bee
 - 3. Habitat of a Bumble Bee
 - 4. Life Cycle of a Bumble Bee
 - 5. Interesting Facts About Bumble Bees

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above. Be sure your sentence is at least 8 words long.

Answers will vary.