

Routes into Languages

National Year 7 Foreign Language

Spelling Bee 2012



The aim of the Spelling Bee is for students in Year 7 to practise and improve their vocabulary, spelling and memory skills in a foreign language (French, Spanish and German) and to raise the profile of language learning through a class, school and regional competition:

Term 1 - Individual class competition

Term 2, half term - Whole school competition

Term 2, end - Regional Competition, Tuesday, 27th March, Comberton Village College

Term 3 - National Competition, 6th July, Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge (tbc)

How it works:

- 🌐 Students will be given 50 words to learn at the first stage of the competition and a further 50 words will be added at both subsequent stages of the competition. Vocabulary will be relevant to the curriculum. For the National Final words will be 2012 Olympics-related
- 🌐 The competition should be launched in school in the autumn term and time should be spent teaching and practising the alphabet in the foreign language (paying attention to describing letters with accents, etc. - details in Teacher's Pack on website: www.flspellingbee.co.uk).
- 🌐 Unlike in a monolingual Spelling Bee, students will be given the word in English. They will first have to translate it into the foreign language and then spell it out correctly using the alphabet in the foreign language.
- 🌐 When participating, students will be given one minute to correctly spell as many words as possible.
- 🌐 Pronunciation of the word and individual letters must be accurate and clearly enunciated
- 🌐 Words should be allocated in random order.

The names of the winners at each stage of the competition should be submitted to the website so that they can receive acknowledgement for their achievements via a certificate.

Finalists will be entered into the National Spelling Bee Final to be held on Friday 6th July, 2012 at Anglia Ruskin University in Cambridge

If you'd like your year 7s to compete, please go to www.flspellingbee.co.uk and follow the instructions to register using your school email account.

