

# CAL Tutor Weekly Spelling Product Tour

## Students Say CAL Tutor's Weekly Spelling is Awesome

57% of a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade focus group rated CAL Tutor for Weekly Spelling as awesome.

The children gave the following reasons for "awesome" recommendation

1. It gives me more time to spell. (Children like to work at their own pace in the computer lab.)
2. I can go back and change my answer. (Children can retype the word instead of erasing it).
3. I like typing in the spelling word. (Children like the one-on-one interactive learning process.)
4. It helps me learn spelling words. (Repetition with improvement feedback indicates progress.)
5. You can have fun while you spell. (Most children love to work with computers.)
6. I can study more. (They don't need a teacher to get a graded test, the computer does it.)
7. I love this program so much. It tells me the sentences and definitions and the words I missed.
8. It shows me the right words and misspelled words. (They how they did and what to correct.)
9. I don't have to raise my hand to repeat a word. (The computer has a repeat button.)
10. I like how you can study without a book. It helps me study in a new way.
11. I like the way the computer talks to me. I can hear it better. (Children use headphones.)

**96% of the students say  
CAL Tutor made them a better speller.**

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The Product Tour shows selected features and functions within Weekly Spelling.

You can choose to do the Product Tour and/or watch the Spell Bowl video. To watch the Spell Bowl demo, you must go back to the CAL Tutor main screen and click the Demo button to watch two ten minute videos on student functions and teacher functions.

Weekly Spelling and Spell Bowl have identical features and functions. The difference is that CAL Tutor for Spell Bowl uses the Indiana Association of School Principals Spell Bowl list for either elementary, middle or high school, while Weekly Spelling uses lists from one of the spelling books. Spell Bowl teams have 10 to 15 students, while weekly spelling may have multiple grades with 25 to 30 students using CAL Tutor per grade.

It's the multiple classes and additional students that create the software engineering differences between the two versions. Weekly Spelling requires additional engineering for multiple grades.

## Create Student list

**Administrator**  
File Edit

Student Profiles | Speech Controls | Administrator Profile | Administrator Functions | Options | LAN Settings

**Entry 1**  
 Elementary  Junior  Senior  Custom

To add a new student, type their name in the entry field provided below and then press Enter.

Name	Student Folder Location	E	J	S	C
Bob	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Bob	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Linda	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ryan	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Ryan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Jennifer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Roy	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Roy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Terra	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Terra	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rik	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Rik	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rob	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Rob	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ashley	C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Ashley	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Add Student Remove Student(s) Passwords Remove All Students

OK Cancel JIT™ Help

Callouts:  
- Add student name (points to the entry field)  
- Students (points to the table)  
- Password protection (points to the Passwords button)

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## Student Main Menu

The screenshot shows the CAL Tutor Student Main Menu interface. The window title is "CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee" and the menu bar includes "File", "Edit", and "Go". The main content area has a dark blue background with the following text:

**CAL Tutor™**  
Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee  
Version 2.0  
© 2002-2004 Computer-Aided Learning, LLC.  
Welcome Linda

The interface features a central menu with the following buttons:

- Spelling Tests
- View Results
- Quick Random Test
- Spelling Lists
- Reports
- Switch Users
- Quit
- Reset Troublesome List
- JIT™ Help

Callout boxes provide the following descriptions for these buttons:

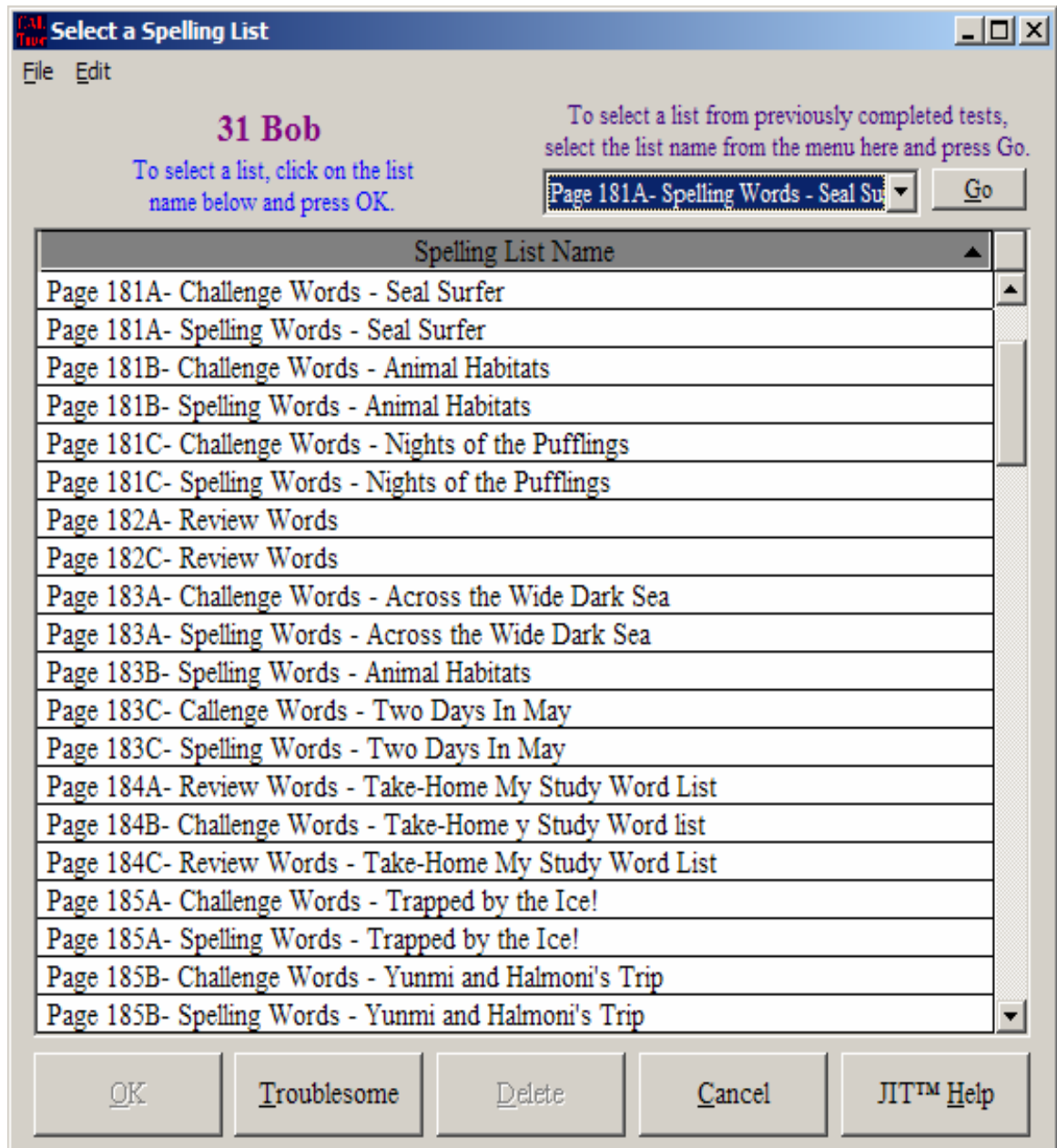
- Spelling Tests**: Points to the "Spelling Tests" button.
- View previous tests**: Points to the "View Results" button.
- Take a test on selected words from all lists**: Points to the "Quick Random Test" button.
- View spelling List and Print study guide**: Points to the "Spelling Lists" button.
- Achievement Report**: Points to the "Reports" button.
- Student Login**: Points to the "Switch Users" button.
- Just-InTime Help just for this screen**: Points to the "JIT™ Help" button.

At the bottom left of the interface, the text "02, 2005" and "oach (LAN)" is visible.

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The computerized lists below are named after the spelling book's study list. The CAL Tutor lists includes spelling words, sentences, and definitions. In the computer lab, a student selects one of the computerized lists and takes a test on that list.

## Select a Spelling List and Take a Test



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The CAL Tutor speaks the spelling word and displays and speaks the sentence and definition. Words can be presented in a random sequence. The student types in the spelling words. The use of a definition and sentence provides a vocabulary development benefit.

## Spelling List Test in Progress

The screenshot shows the 'Spelling Test' window. On the left, a table lists 50 test words. The current word, 'Mississippi', is highlighted in the input field. Below the input field are buttons for 'Accept Current Word', 'Repeat Current Word', 'Accept Selected Word', and 'Repeat Selected Word'. On the right, the 'Test Options' section includes 'Randomize Words' (checked) and 'Practice Misspelled Only' (unchecked). Below this is the 'Practice Misspelled Only Result' section with input fields for 'Spelled', 'Spelled', and 'Error'. The 'Word Definition' section shows the definition 'a state in the Deep South on the gulf of Mexico' and a 'Speak' checkbox. The 'Sentence' section shows the sentence 'Until about 1940 African Americans made up a majority of \*\*\*ans.' and another 'Speak' checkbox. At the bottom, there are 'Speech Controls' for 'Spoken Word Volume', 'Speech Volume', and 'Speech Rate', each with a slider and volume icon. The bottom of the window has 'Start', 'Finished...', 'Cancel', and 'JIT™ Help' buttons.

**Option to randomize the presentation of spelling words**

**Option to test on only misspelled spelling words**

**Previously entered words**

**Current word**

**definition**

**sentence**

**Option where speech engine says the sentence and definition**

#	Spelled Words
1	Hoosier
2	Hopi
3	Hottentot
4	Houston
5	Ionic
6	Isaiah
7	Iscariot
8	Ishmeal
9	Lapland
10	lohengrin
11	London
12	Lucerne
13	Lucifer
14	Lucite
15	Mississippi

Pre-rerecorded spelling words are played into head set

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The "Practice Misspelled Only" option says each spelling word. The student types in the spelling word. CAL Tutor compares the spelling word and the student entered word and displays the result- correct or incorrect. Misspelled practice is a great drill for mastering troublesome words. We recommended repeating this drill until a score of 100% is achieved on this list.

## Only Misspelled Words Test

Only misspelled words test Option

The screenshot shows the 'Spelling Test' window with the following components:

- Spelling Test** window title and menu (File, Edit).
- File path: C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Linda\A5WordTest
- 5 Test Words** table:

#	Spelled Words	Result
1	dressing room	Correct
2	Bible	Correct
3	handball	Correct
4	closeup	Incorrect

The result for 'closeup' is circled in red. A callout box points to it with the text: "The result is incorrect. A comparison between the spelling word and the entered word is shown."

- Test Options:**  Randomize Words,  Practice Misspelled Only
- Practice Misspelled Only Result:** **Incorrect** (highlighted in red). Spelling Word: close-up, Entered Word: closeup.
- Word Definition:** A photograph taken from a short distance that gives a very detailed picture.  Speak
- Sentence:** She took a stunning \*\*\* of him.  Speak
- Speech Controls:** Sliders for Spoken Word Volume, Speech Volume, and Speech Rate.
- Buttons: Start, Finished..., Close, JIITM Help.

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This is a great review tool. The Troublesome List is created for each student and contains all misspelled words from all lists. As a unit review, the objective is to have the student clear the troublesome words from the list just before a unit test. This troublesome word drill uses repetition to overcome difficult to spell words. The counter indicates the student's level of difficulty in learning this word. The higher the counter value, the more difficult the word.

## Troublesome Spelling Words Test

**Spelling Test Results**

File Edit

**Current Test**

Total Words: 8

Correct Words: 6

Score: 75%

Date: 10/2/2005 3:47 PM

**Troublesome Words**

Number of Words: 8

**Spelling Words Detail Test Results**

Word#	Spelling Word	Test 1	Counter
1	Bible	Bible	1
2	close-up	close-up	1
3	dressing room	dressing room	3
4	handball	handball	1
5	witticism	witticism	1
6	wizened	wizzened	4
7	woebegone	worbegone	4
8	wolfram	wolfram	1

Current Date and Time: Sunday, October 02, 2005 3:47:27 PM

Current Spelling List: C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor\Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Linda

Close Test Again More Results

Troublesome spelling words from all lists

The student must spell the troublesome spelling word correctly until the counter is zero. The more troublesome the word, the more times it must be spelled correctly.

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The Quick Random Test is a year end review tool. The student takes a test on a number of spelling words he or she selects (example is 9). The spelling words are randomly selected by CAL Tutor from all lists. The feedback is immediate as to correct or misspelled.

## Review Test

Choose the number of words in the test

Spelling Words selected randomly from all spelling lists

Spoken Word Volume

Speech Synthesizer Volume

Speech Synthesizer Rate

Word#	Spelling Word	Spelled Word	Result
2	discernible	discerable	Incorrect
3	Missouri	Missouri	Correct
4	irrigation	irrigation	Correct
5	orgiastic	orgyastic	Incorrect
6	viola	viloa	Incorrect
7	medical	medical	Correct
8	seducing	seducing	Correct
9	cabbage	cabbage	Correct
Test Results --->			67%

Word Definition.... A plant with a short stem and a roundish head of closely layered green,  Speak

Sentence..... Corned beef and \*\*\* will be served for supper.  Speak

Spell Word Here...

Repeat Word  Accept Word

Start  Done  JIT™ Help

Results

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Upon completing a test, the report below displays. The test results for the current test and three previous tests are displayed. The report displays the spelling word and the student entered word. Misspelled words are highlighted in red. The current score and the overall score is shown. In addition, there is a total of all troublesome words. The report is printed and becomes a study guide for the next test on this list.

## CAL Tutor Graded Test

Overall Test Results

All misspelled words- all lists

**Current Test Results**

Total Words:

Correct Words:

Score:

Date:

**Overall Tests**

Number of Tests Taken:

Number of Words:

Number of Correct Words:

Score:

**Troublesome Words**

Number of Words:

**Spelling Words Detail Test Results**

ord#	Spelling Word	Test 4	Test 3	Test 2	Test 1
1	adopt	adopt	adopt	adq	
2	Bible	Bible	Bible	bib	
3	close-up	close-up	close-up	clo	
4	dressing room	dressing room	<b>dressing room</b>	<b>drs</b>	
5	handball	handball	handball	ha	
<b>Test Scores ---&gt;</b>		<b>100%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>

Shows the last four test results test 4,3, 2 & 1

Misspelled words in red

Current Date and Time:  
Sunday, October 02, 2005 3:38:51 PM

Current Spelling List: C:\Program Files\CAL Tutor - Spelling, Spell Bowl and Spelling Bee\Student Folders\Linda\A5WordTest

Close

Test Again

More Results

Print...

JIT™ Help

Print results

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The words misspelled by all students are ranked by number of times misspelled. In addition, the number of students misspelling the word is also shown. For each spelling word, up to 10 misspelled variations are shown on the right in red. The number after the misspelled word represents the number of times it was misspelled.

## Teacher's Report: Misspelled Words for all Students and all Tests

Spelling Lists		Spelling Words		Misspelling Variations – up to 10			
List	Word	Misspelled	Students	1	2	3	4
01 Pufflings	scare	5	3	scar 3	scared 1	schare 1	
05 Seal	carried	3	3	carred 2	caried 1		
07 May	farmer	4	3	farmar 1	famor 1	famir 1	framer 1
01 Pufflings	chair	3	3	chare 2	char 1		
01 Pufflings	share	4	3	shar 2	schar 1	schare 1	
07 May	sadly	3	3	sadle 2	sadly 1		
07 May	helper	4	3	helpar 2	helpher 1	halpar 1	
01 Pufflings	pair	3	3	pare 3			
01 Pufflings	hair	3	3	haer 2	hare 1		
05 Seal	joking	3	3	jokin 2	joeking 1		
07 May	unfair	4	3	unfare 3	unfar 1		
01 Pufflings	bear	3	3	beair 1	bair 1	baer 1	
05 Seal	babies	3	3	babys 2	babes 1		
05 Seal	grinning	3	3	grining 2	grinig 1		
07 May	friendly	4	3	friendly 3	fredly 1		
01 Pufflings	where	3	3	wher 2	were 1		
05 Seal	chopped	3	3	choppd 1	choped 1	chopt 1	
05 Seal	wrapped	3	3	wraped 1	wrap 1	rapped 1	
07 May	unhappy	2	2	unhapy 1	unhappe 1		
07 May	hopeful	3	2	hopefull 2	hopful 1		
05 Seal	saving	2	2	savin 1	seving 1		
01 Pufflings	bare	2	2	baar 2			
05 Seal	hurried	2	2	huried 1	hurred 1		
07 May	unlike	2	2	unlik 1	unlikd 1		
05 Seal	smiled	3	2	smilod 1	smilad 1	smiles 1	
01 Pufflings	care	2	2	kar 2			
05 Seal	parties	2	2	partys 2			
07 May	careful	3	2	carefull 2	carful 1		
07 May	remake	3	2	remak 2	reamak 1		
01 Pufflings	pear	2	2	pare 2			

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Students are ranked by achievement. The ranking is based on an average of all tests taken on all lists. The view shown is a summary view. The Expand All button opens each student's folder showing how the student did on each list, the number of tests taken, and the last four tests scores.

Besides achievement, the expanded views shows how hard each student is working in the lab and how one bad test may have lowered achievement. [A Test History Report](#) not shown here also shows the student's lab activity. The report shows dates tests taken, the number of tests taken, and the time length of each test.

## Teacher's Report: Ranked by Student Achievement

Student Name/Spelling List	Score	Tests	Last Test Date	Last	-1	-2	-3	Troublesome
<input type="checkbox"/> Rik	96%	4	Summary	100%	80%			1
<input type="checkbox"/> Ashley	95%	3	Summary	95%				1
<input type="checkbox"/> Rob	92%	4	Summary	95%	80%			2
<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer	91%	3	Summary	91%				2
<input type="checkbox"/> Terra	78%	4	Summary	86%	40%			4
<input type="checkbox"/> Linda	76%	6	Summary	82%	80%	20%	100%	8
<input type="checkbox"/> Roy	73%	3	Summary	92%	20%			5
<input type="checkbox"/> Ryan	69%	5	Summary	82%	60%	20%		9
<input type="checkbox"/> Bob	66%	3	Summary	80%	60%	60%		4
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>35</b>		<b>89%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>36</b>

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## Other Features and Functions

### Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary

#### Thesaurus

### accommodate

One entry found for accommodate.

Main Entry: **ac-com-mo-date**

Pronunciation: ə-ˈkə-mə-tē-tāt

Function: *verb*

Inflected Form(s): -dat-ed; -dat-ing

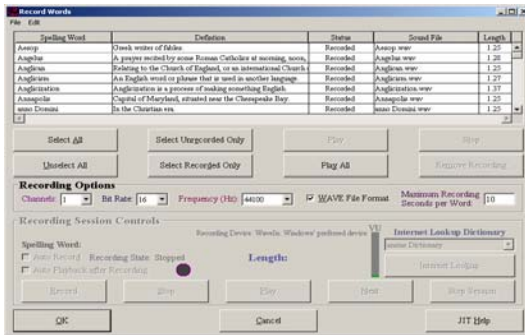
Etymology: Latin *accommodatus*, past participle of *accommodare*, from *ad-* + *commodare* to make fit, from *commodus* suitable -- more at [COMMODE](#)

*transitive senses*

1 : to make fit, suitable, or congruous

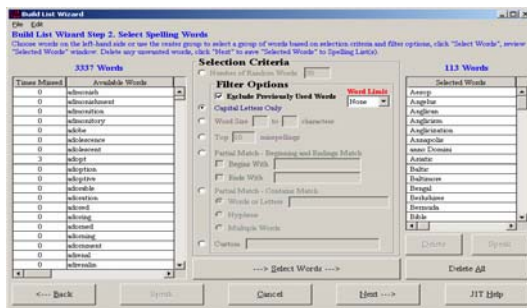
### Dictionary Lookup

CAL Tutor's built-in dictionary Internet lookup delivers a definition and a sentence (if available) for any CAL Tutor Spelling word.



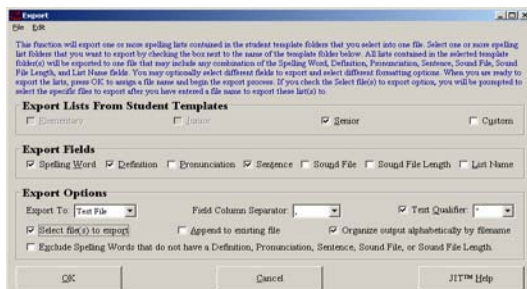
### Recording Studio

Spelling words can be record for newly created lists. The other option is to have the CAL Tutor's speech engine say the words.



### List Build Wizard

All the spelling words for all lists can be subdivided into specialized lists. capitalized, hyphenated, "ie", "ph" and word size are a just few examples.



### Export and Import

Export a list from CAL Tutor to Word or Excel or Import your favorite list into CAL Tutor.