



# 2026 WORDS OF CHAMPIONS



## **Welcome to the MindMaze Spelling Bee!**

MindMaze is an academic competition organization based in Misau Local Government, Bauchi State, dedicated to challenging students, boosting knowledge, and bridging classroom learning with real-world skills. Through spelling, reading, quiz, debate, and poetry competitions, MindMaze provides opportunities for young learners to shine and grow.

## **About This Competition**

The MindMaze Spelling Bee 2026 for the **Junior Category** is designed for primary and junior secondary school students. It aims to inspire a love for words, encourage proper spelling, and develop confidence in public participation.

## **Important Rules for Junior Category:**

- **Age Limit:** 7 – 14 years
- **Class Limit:** JSS 3 and below, including Primary pupils
- **Participation Limit:** Minimum 3 and maximum 5 participants per school
- **Independent Participants:** Allowed
- **Previous Champions:** Not eligible to participate

## **Contest Method**

The MindMaze Spelling Bee adopts a structured, multi-stage format which includes:

- Preliminary Round – Written or oral screening test.
- Elimination Rounds – Oral spelling rounds where contestants spell one word per turn.
- Final Round / Spell-Off – Features more challenging and unrevealed words.

This document contains the **Words of Champions** carefully selected to help participants prepare for the competition. Study them well, practice regularly, and get ready to spell your way to victory!



2ND RUNNER



## YUSUF

acrobat	count	galaxy	menu	rubies	swamp
admit	counting	gallop	menus	ruby	swampy
ahead	countless	garbage	message	satin	sweet
ahoy	courtyard	giant	milk	scrub	tackle
ajar	crowd	goats	mind	scrunch	taffy
answer	crowded	great	moment	seal	tags
appendix	dangerous	hall	moments	sealed	tail
asleep	deck	health	monday	search	tank
attacked	decks	heated	monsoon	sect	tanked
avocado	denied	heater	nervous	sects	tanks
axes	deny	hedge	never	seep	teeth
baffling	disability	hockey	nook	send	tender
bait	distress	hoist	offer	sent	though
basic	doge	hold	paper	sharks	tight
baskets	draw	hollow	parade	shimmer	tint
before	drawing	hotel	parent	shortcut	tinted
behead	drawn	hotels	paste	shouting	tooth
beheaded	draws	incredible	peach	show	town
bible	drew	insects	pent	shuffle	trial
bite	dust	jangle	pepper	signal	triple
bitten	dusted	journey	peppery	silver	turnout
blossoms	eaten	juries	petal	sizzling	turtle
blur	eight	jury	pirates	skater	tusk
bomb	elephant	kitchen	plaza	skirt	twigs
bombarded	enjoy	land	plus	slime	understand
booked	especially	layer	pole	snug	unicorn
breakfast	faint	leaning	poll	snugs	university
brown	faint	learn	pond	spinning	valentine
bucket	faraway	leather	ponds	sport	weather
buckets	farmer	lessons	port	spot	wheels
candy	february	library	portable	spotted	where
cartwheel	feed	lights	potato	stay	whole
chance	feet	limbs	potatoes	stayed	window
chocolate	fish	lost	rabbit	stays	windows
circus	fishing	luck	raise	stick	wire
close	focus	lucky	raised	sticking	wooden
cluster	fooling	lure	raises	sticks	woozy
collars	foot	lured	raising	street	wright
compete	forepaw	lust	recipe	stretch	write
computer	forest	maggi	remind	stuck	writing
conquer	formation	mango	right	student	yawn
coral	fruit	mate	roam	sugar	zoomed
corals	fuel	melon	roof	surprise	zooming



1ST RUNNER



## KHADIJA

absence	calorie	eager	governor	kingdom
accuracy	captivate	eclipse	gratitude	kitchen
acquire	catastrophe	economy	gratitude	knead
adolescent	category	edible	guarantee	knot
adorable	caution	effervescent	harmony	knowledge
agency	cautious	efficient	heal	labyrinth
altitude	ceiling	embassy	hedgehog	lantern
ancient	celestial	encyclopedia	heritage	latitude
anxious	ceremony	endeavor	hierarchy	lecture
apparatus	chicken	exaggerate	hill	leisure
apparel	chorus	executive	horizon	leisure
architect	commemorate	faithfully	horizon	liver
assortment	commission	fascinate	horizontal	magnitude
athlete	conquer	fascinated	hostage	majestic
attitude	corridor	fatigue	humidity	majestic
awkward	courage	fertilizer	hurricane	management
balcony	cultural	fest	identify	manor
barricade	culture	first	illegal	massive
betrayal	curious	fist	illuminate	maximum
biography	curtain	fluorescent	imagine	mermaid
biology	decimal	fortress	imitation	minimum
biscuit	deliberate	fraction	inspire	miracle
bouquet	delicate	fragile	interest	missile
brass	desk	freedom	jealous	monument
breakfast	destiny	friction	jeopardize	mortar
brilliant	detergent	friction	judgment	mosquito
brochure	diameter	fulfill	juvenile	mucus
bulletin	diameter	genuine	kidneys	
bulletin	dinosaur	glorious	kind	
cacophony	diplomacy	gorgeous	kindle	
caliphate	drought	government	kingdom	
museum	neglect	observe	opponent	peninsula
narrative	negotiate	observer	orbit	pentagon
nationwide	neon	obvious	paradise	perceive
nausea	neutral	obvious	paragraph	perilous
nausea	neutral	occupant	pastime	phenomenal
necessity	nucleus	offensive	pasture	plumber

plumbing	reluctant	spiral	triumph	warrior
polish	remuneration	stationary	ulcer	warrior
pretend	renovate	stationery	umbrella	welfare
privilege	renovated	strategy	unanimous	whisper
profound	reservoir	suspension	universe	withdrawal
quality	reservoir	taciturn	vacancy	witness
quantity	restaurant	technique	vacuum	xenophobia
quantity	sacrifice	tendency	vehicle	yearn
quarantine	satellite	tension	vengeance	yield
questionnaire	scholar	theory	verdict	yogurt
random	scissors	thermometer	victory	zealous
recipe	sculpture	thread	visible	zodiac
recruit	sieve	threshold	visible	zoology
rehearsal	significant	tolerance	volunteer	
relevant	spill	tremble	vulnerable	



CHAMPION



ZARAH

French	cigar	sushi	Tashkent*	TAJIKISTAN
ballet	corrida	tatami	Banjul*	DOMINICA
bizarre	desperado	tsunami	Malabo*	GRENADA
buffet	fiesta	German	Podgorica*	MACEDONIA
café	guerilla	blitz	Victoria*	BURUNDI
bete	hacienda	doppelgänger	Gitega*	RWANDA
camouflage	jalapeño	kindergarten	Tarawa*	CÔTE D'IVOIRE
cliché	patio	gesundheit	Vaduz*	HONDURAS
croissant	rodeo	lager	Monrovia*	MONGOLIA
début	siesta	hamburger	Asmara*	NORWAY
détente	sombrero	wanderlust	Mbabane*	gladiolus
fiancé	tornado	kaput	Lilongwe*	retract
fiancée	tobacco	angst	Canberra*	cerise
genre	Japanese	rucksack	Kabul*	abrogate
lingerie	anime	poltergeist	Oaxaca*	luxuriance
matinee	bento	zeitgeist	DJIBOUTI	albumen
naïve	bonsai	bratwurst	KYRGYZSTAN	foulard
rendezvous	geisha	Ouagadougou*	UZBEKISTAN	invulnerable
résumé	haiku	Thimphu*	ESWATINI	torsion
Spanish	karaoke	N'Djamena*	LESOTHO	brethren
adobe	kimono	Ulaanbaatar*	MALAWI	intelligible
señor	manga	Kigali*	AFGHANISTAN	eczema
armada	origami	Bujumbura*	SOMALIA	sanitarium
barricade	samurai	Antananarivo*	BHUTAN	canonical
canyon	sashimi	Ashgabat*	COMOROS	therapy
			PALAU	initials

sacrilegious

succedaneum

categorization

proximity

coralline

semaphore

autochthonous

orthography

alcove

delineate

chlorophyll

feuilleton

mucilaginous

municipality

exfoliate

psychiatry

emancipation

benevolence

denomination

sojourn

milieu

conspicuous

unyielding

gastronomy

cavernous

logorrhea

intrepidity

peregrinate

coriaceous

rubicund

demarche

jurisprudence

deprivation

aggrandize