

Lesson #3

Put It On The Map



Educators: December 14th is the last day to register your school to participate in the Scripps Spelling Bee.

Visit nie.newsok.com/spellingbee today for more information!

Ever since the first National Spelling Bee was held in 1925, students from 28 states, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico have won the championship, including two from Oklahoma. Besides the United States, spellers also come from the following U.S. territories: American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands; as well as the following countries: the Bahamas, Canada, China, Ghana, Jamaica, Japan, and Korea. Students from Department of Defense schools in Europe also participate in the National Spelling Bee.

The winner of the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee was Karthik Nemmani from McKinney, Texas. The 2018 Central Oklahoma bee champion is Shawn T. from Elgin, Oklahoma.

ACTIVITIES:

Using the map of cities related to last year's Scripps Spelling Bee, Roadtrippers.com and *The Oklahoman* archives, answer the following questions.



- 1) What is the total distance between the two cities?
- 2) Assuming the roads followed a straight line, how long would it take to drive from McKinney to Elgin at a rate of 60 miles per hour?
- 3) What is at least one historical landmark or event in each of the cities?
- 4) Who is the current mayor of each of the cities?

Visit <http://spellingbee.com/about-the-bee> to find the list of all National Spelling Bee winners and their hometowns. Create a bar graph and a histogram for the winners by state, and then answer the following questions.

- 1) Which state has sent the most winners to the national bee? _____
- 2) Which state has the biggest spread of years between winners? _____
- 3) In what years have there been two winners? _____
- 4) What is the average number of winners per state? _____

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