

**Oregon County/District Words 2012**  
**Division 2**

	WORD	SENTENCE
1	<b>observatory</b>	The <b>observatory</b> houses three larger telescopes used for research projects.
2	<b>plankton</b>	In the oceans, <b>plankton</b> soaks up carbon dioxide and sink to the bottom.
3	<b>quagmire</b>	That 3-D puzzle is quite a <b>quagmire</b> .
4	<b>riparian</b>	Livestock need access to water, but can do damage to <b>riparian</b> ecosystems.
5	<b>subtle</b>	At sunset, you can watch the <b>subtle</b> changes in the sky.
6	<b>unequivocal</b>	The cosigner of a note gives <b>unequivocal</b> assurance that it will be paid when due.
7	<b>whirligig</b>	A <b>whirligig</b> is a piece of wooden folk art that spins like a pinwheel in the wind.
8	<b>preliminary</b>	Courtney's <b>preliminary</b> science project was easy to do because she had finished her assignments.
9	<b>scenario</b>	Donna read the script in her head while listening to the actors playing out the <b>scenario</b> .
10	<b>treacherous</b>	The trails were <b>treacherous</b> , but worth the view.
11	<b>acetate</b>	We found <b>acetate</b> in the science lab.
12	<b>aperture</b>	There is so little light in the night sky that you must open the <b>aperture</b> on your camera.
13	<b>beau</b>	I hope to meet my friend's <b>beau</b> soon.
14	<b>chaos</b>	There was a lot of <b>chaos</b> at the busy shopping center.
15	<b>dumbbell</b>	He did heavy <b>dumbbell</b> bench presses and heavy curls.
16	<b>exultant</b>	I was <b>exultant</b> at the chance to win a free PS3.
17	<b>bachelor</b>	A <b>bachelor</b> is a man above the age of majority who has never been married.
18	<b>guinea</b>	We saw many varieties of <b>guinea</b> pig cages at the pet store.
19	<b>illimitable</b>	I saw a picture of what appeared to be an <b>illimitable</b> desert taken in Africa.
20	<b>knuckle</b>	I did not see my bruised <b>knuckle</b> until the day after the game.
21	<b>migraine</b>	I have heard that a <b>migraine</b> headache is painful.
22	<b>noxious</b>	<b>Noxious</b> weeds grow along some of the main roads in the county.
23	<b>percolator</b>	The coffee <b>percolator</b> was patented 140 years ago.
24	<b>prosaic</b>	<b>Prosaic</b> friends are not the type of people who will entertain you.
25	<b>ratio</b>	A <b>ratio</b> is a mathematical expression of the relationship between two quantities.

**County/District Division 2  
Tie-Breaker #1**

	WORD	SENTENCE
1	<b>subterranean</b>	A tunnel or a mineshaft is a <b>subterranean</b> passageway.
2	<b>quell</b>	The makeshift dam did nothing to <b>quell</b> the torrent of water that battered it.
3	<b>whey</b>	The protein drink contains <b>whey</b> and is not recommended for those with cow's milk intolerance
4	<b>precursor</b>	The first sighting of a robin is a <b>precursor</b> to spring.
5	<b>ricocheted</b>	Laura gave up on exercise playlists when her iPod flew out of her pocket and <b>ricocheted</b> off the end of the treadmill.

**County/District Division 2  
Tie-Breaker #2**

	WORD	SENTENCE
1	<b>trade</b>	Blake asked if I wanted to <b>trade</b> baseball cards later.
2	<b>accolades</b>	The actor received many <b>accolades</b> for his performance in the film.
3	<b>alter</b>	We were happy there was no need to <b>alter</b> the wedding dress.
4	<b>baguette</b>	The fresh <b>baguette</b> had a very crisp crust.
5	<b>conscious</b>	Happiness is a <b>conscious</b> choice, not an automatic response.