

# Word Ladder

Solutions with Word Definitions

Puzzle 0421: Get the **GRAIN** to be **SPELT** in 16 steps or less.

	<b>G</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>N</b>	
1.	<b>B</b>	R	A	I	N	A small piece; a small crystal or crystallite; seed of a cereal plant; a unit of weight.
2.	B	R	A	I	<b>D</b>	Main part of the central nervous system; central unit for control and processing.
3.	B	R	A	<b>N</b>	D	A twisted or woven strip made of three or more strands; a plait; to make into a braid.
4.	B	R	A	N	<b>S</b>	An identifiable product or product family; an identification mark applied by heat.
5.	B	<b>E</b>	A	N	S	Plural of <i>bran</i> , powder made from the outer layer of cereal grain.
6.	B	E	A	<b>T</b>	S	Plural of <i>bean</i> , edible seed of plants in the family <i>Fabaceae</i> or similar shaped seed.
7.	B	<b>O</b>	A	T	S	3rd p. sing. of <i>beat</i> to strike forcefully and repeatedly; Plural of <i>beat</i> , a rhythm.
8.	B	O	<b>O</b>	T	S	Plural of <i>boat</i> , a vessel for transport on or under water.
9.	<b>S</b>	O	O	T	S	Plural of <i>boot</i> , a heavy closed shoe; 3rd p. sing. of <i>boot</i> , to kick, to dismiss (colloq.).
10.	S	<b>P</b>	O	T	S	Plural of <i>soot</i> , substance produced by fire, 3rd p. sing. of <i>soot</i> , to cover in soot.
11.	S	P	<b>I</b>	T	S	Plural of <i>spot</i> , small area of different appearance, or place; 3rd p. sing. of <i>spot</i> , see.
12.	S	P	I	T	<b>E</b>	3rd p. sing. of <i>spit</i> , eject saliva or sputum from mouth. Plural of <i>spit</i> , long thin rod.
13.	S	P	I	<b>L</b>	E	Hatred or malevolence; to treat maliciously; to offend.
14.	S	P	I	L	<b>L</b>	A thin tapered wooden bung; a spigot or tap.
15.	S	P	<b>E</b>	L	L	Cause liquid to overflow or escape; escape of contents; a taper; a spile.
16.	<b>S</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	To enunciate the letters of words; a cantrip or charm; a period of activity; a splinter.

The cereal plant *Triticum spelta* or its grain; dinkel wheat; hulled wheat.

Puzzle 0422: Get the **WHEAT** to be **DURUM** in 18 steps or less.

	<b>W</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>T</b>	
1.	W	H	E	A	<b>L</b>	Any of the cereal plants on the genus <i>Triticum spelta</i> or its grain; corn (UK).
2.	<b>S</b>	H	E	A	L	A small swelling or raised lesion on the skin; a round welt.
3.	S	H	E	<b>L</b>	L	A shieling; summer pasture; shepherds' summer encampment or hut.
4.	S	<b>P</b>	E	L	L	Hard outer covering, casing or carapace; explosive munition; to bombard with shells.
5.	S	P	<b>I</b>	L	L	To enunciate the letters of words; a cantrip or charm; a period of activity; a splinter.
6.	S	P	I	L	<b>E</b>	Cause liquid to overflow or escape; escape of contents; a taper; a spile.
7.	S	P	I	<b>T</b>	E	A thin tapered wooden bung; a spigot or tap.
8.	S	P	I	T	<b>S</b>	Hatred or malevolence; to treat maliciously; to offend.
9.	S	P	<b>O</b>	T	S	3rd p. sing. of <i>spit</i> , eject saliva or sputum from mouth. Plural of <i>spit</i> , long thin rod.
10.	S	<b>O</b>	O	T	S	Plural of <i>spot</i> , small area of different appearance, or place; 3rd p. sing. of <i>spot</i> , see.
11.	S	O	<b>R</b>	T	S	Plural of <i>soot</i> , substance produced by fire, 3rd p. sing. of <i>soot</i> , to cover in soot.
12.	S	O	R	<b>E</b>	S	Plural of <i>sort</i> , type or category; 3rd p. sing. of <i>sort</i> , to put in order or groups.
13.	<b>P</b>	O	R	E	S	Plural of <i>sore</i> , an inflamed or infected injury or ulcer.
14.	P	<b>U</b>	R	E	S	Plural of <i>pore</i> , small opening in a skin or membrane.
15.	P	U	R	<b>I</b>	S	3rd p. sing. of <i>pure</i> , to make immaculate, or to realign the shaft of a golf club.
16.	P	U	R	I	<b>M</b>	Plural of <i>puri</i> , a deep fried bread originally from the Indian subcontinent.
17.	P	U	<b>R</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>M</b>	A Jewish festival commemorating the biblical deliverance from a massacre in Persia.
18.	<b>D</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>M</b>	Commercial or industrial grade of chemical purity, approximately 95%.

Type of wheat used for pasta and semolina; made from durum flour or semolina.