

## KS3 English Quiz - Alphabetical Sorting 02 (Questions)

This KS3 English quiz is our second on alphabetical sorting. You know, of course, to look at the first letter of each word to decide the alphabetical order of a set of words. And you'll have had practice with looking at the second, third or even fourth letter, if necessary. What do you do when faced with a word or name slightly out of the ordinary? Do you alphabetise McKinley before Mackay, or after? An older convention of alphabetising decided that all names beginning with Mc and Mac should come before all other words beginning with M, but now such names are alphabetised in letter order, as usual (Mackay comes before McKinley, but "mackerel" would come between the two). And which comes first here: St Louis or Saint Nicholas? Abbreviations such as "St" are alphabetised as a full word, so St (Saint) Louis comes before Saint Nicholas.

<p><b>1. Writ, write, writer, ....., written</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> wary</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> wiry</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> writing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> wry</p>	<p><b>2. ...., clearance, cleared, clearly</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> clear</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> clears</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> click</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> clock</p>
<p><b>3. Adapt, ....., adaptation, adapted</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> adaptable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> adorable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> adoration</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> adore</p>	<p><b>4. Wash, ....., washes, washing</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> washed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> wish</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> wished</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> wishes</p>
<p><b>5. Began, begin, ....., begins</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> beacon</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> beacons</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> beginning</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> begonia</p>	<p><b>6. Continuance, continue, continued, .....</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> contain</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> content</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> continual</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> continuing</p>
<p><b>7. Create, creative, ....., creatures</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> created</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> creates</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> creating</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> creator</p>	<p><b>8. ...., advanced, advancement, advancing</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> advance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> advantage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> advantaged</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> advantageous</p>
<p><b>9. Close, ....., closely, closer</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> closed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> closest</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> closet</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> closing</p>	<p><b>10. Strong, stronger, strongest, .....</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> strength</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> strengthen</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> strengthening</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> strongly</p>

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1. **Writ, write, writer, ....., written**

- wary
- wiry
- writing
- wry

Only "writing" fits in this sequence

2. **....., clearance, cleared, clearly**

- clear
- clears
- click
- clock

"Clear" begins this sequence

3. **Adapt, ....., adaptation, adapted**

- adaptable
- adorable
- adoration
- adore

"Adaptable" completes the sequence

4. **Wash, ....., washes, washing**

- washed
- wish
- wished
- wishes

"Washed" fits the sequence

5. **Began, begin, ....., begins**

- beacon
- beacons
- beginning
- begonia

Look at the sixth letter of "beginning"

6. **Continuance, continue, continued, .....**

- contain
- content
- continual
- continuing

Look at the eighth letter of "continuing"

7. **Create, creative, ....., creatures**

- created
- creates
- creating
- creator

Use the fifth letter of "create/creative/creator/creatures"

8. **....., advanced, advancement, advancing**

- advance
- advantage
- advantaged
- advantageous

Working backwards gives "advance"

9. **Close, ....., closely, closer**

- closed
- closest
- closet
- closing

The fifth letter is the clue to the alphabetical sequence

10. **Strong, stronger, strongest, .....**

- strength
- strengthen
- strengthening
- strongly

"Strength" would come before "strong"