7. The History Window

The History window can be viewed by selecting the History item in the Test menu or by clicking the Show History button in the main test window.

Total Words Tried and Total Word Average

The Total Words Tried is a simple count of how many words you have tested on for this pupil file in Master Spell.

The Total Word Average is your score average per word; not per test.

Last Test

Last Test shows the results of the last test you took in Master Spell. It is designed to show all of the information that would be present in written test. If you doubleclick on any of the words in the test, Master Spell will say the saying associated with that word if one is present. This is to differentiate which word is meant in such cases as distinguishing the difference between "its" and "it's".

The Last Test panel always shows the way you spelled it and a check mark under the First Try column if you spelled it correctly. If you spelled the word incorrectly, a "X" will appear under the First Try column and the correct spelling will be given to you in the Correction column. If you chose to retry the word for half credit, either a "X" or a checkmark will be present in the Retry column.

The Last Test information will be saved with the pupil file so you may quit Master Spell and bring it back to view later.

You may print this test using the Print Last Test... button on this panel in the History window.

The Last Test information will be cleared if you start a test and cancel it.

Mastery Status

You may consult this window to see what Master Spell requires for you to achieve Mastery of a given test. The progress bar shows you graphically how well you are doing. Once you achieve Mastery, the Print Certificate... button will become active and you can print your reward. See 10. Home Lesson Plan.

Test Log & Graph

The Test Log displays the test, number of words, the score, date and time. The Test Log will hold up to 200 test entries and then start rotation of those entries if any more tests are taken.

You may save the test as a text file. The resultant text file will be tab-delimitted, meaning that the tabs will be set so that you may arrange the columns in a word processor or you may import the text file into a spreadsheet easily.

The Graph gives a visual indication of how well you are progressing.

You may print your Graph and Test Log together by clicking the Print Graph & Log... button at the bottom of the History window.

Trouble Words

Master Spell keeps a rotating list of the last 50 words you misspelled with both your misspelling and the correct spelling so that you can examine the difference. Double-clicking on any of these words will have Master Spell say the saying if it is present.

For a challenge, you may save your Trouble Words as a test and then load that test in the main test window. You must have at least 10 words in your Trouble Words list in order save it as a test.

You may also print your Trouble words to use as a study guide to study your misspellings and the correct spellings by clicking the Print List... button on the Trouble Words pane in the History window.