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## Pupils' spelling skills edge them nearer prize

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### Abstract

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### Full Text

PUPILS from three Bristol schools have reached the semi-finals of a national spelling competition after winning a regional heat.

More than 1,000 schools from across the UK have entered the 2011 Times Spelling Bee competition encouraging students to care about spelling.

A team of four pupils aged 11 and 12 from Queen Elizabeth's Hospital School in Clifton won their local heat at the Cineworld cinema in Yeovil Cineworld on Wednesday - beating competition from eight other schools.

Andreas Richardson, 12, George Cherry, 11, Owen Webster, 12 and reserve Christopher Allen, 12, will now compete in the semi-finals later this month along with teams from Bristol Grammar School and Redland High School.

The 11 winning teams will travel to London for the grand final in the O2 Arena on June 23.

Bonnie Kenchington, a teacher at QEH said: "It was brilliant. It's a great competition with a fantastic atmosphere. The boys enjoyed the challenge immensely."

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