

# WIZARD: Can I Cast This Spell?

★ Wizard class levels 1-17 and Cantrips <sup>5th Edition</sup>

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## Consult the Spell Description

Do you have all the spell's **components**? PHB 203

**Verbal**—Are you able to **speak**?

**Somatic**—Are you able to make **gestures**?

**Material**—Do you have all **required materials**?

*Note: If the materials **do not have a cost** and **are not consumed** by the spell, you may choose to: (1) use a **component pouch**, PHB 203 if you have access to one, or (2) use your **spellcasting focus** as a substitute for material components.*

## You Cannot Cast this Spell.

Secure the required components.

Is the spell one of your known **cantrips**?

YES

NO

YES

YES

NO

Is the spell in your **spellbook**?

Do you wish to cast as a **Ritual**? PHB 201

- Spell **must include ritual tag**.
- Adds **10 minutes** to casting time.
- Does not require preparation.
- Rituals do not consume spell slots.
- Cast spell at **lowest level only**.

YES

NO

YES

NO

Is one of the following true?

- You **prepared** the spell at your most recent study following a **long rest**.
- The spell is **still prepared** from a previous **long rest**.

NO

YES

Do you have a **spell slot** remaining at the spell's **base level or higher**?

NO

YES

Take a **short rest** to use **Arcane Recovery**.

Have you used **Arcane Recovery** since your last long rest?

NO

YES

Can **Arcane Recovery** restore a slot of the spell's level or higher?

YES

NO

## Cast this Cantrip

PHB 201

- No **spell slot** is consumed.
- The **material component** may be consumed; see spell description.

## You Cannot Cast this Spell

Find the spell and **copy it into your spellbook**, or gain it through leveling up.

## Cast This Spell as a Ritual

PHB 201

- You must maintain **Concentration** during the casting or start over.

## You Cannot Cast this Spell

Finish a **long rest** to prepare the spell.

## Cast this Spell at its Base Level or Higher

PHB 201

- Cast the spell at its lowest level, or at a higher level if you wish and you have a remaining higher-level slot.
- Slot of chosen level is **consumed**.
- The **material component** may be consumed; see spell description.

## You Cannot Cast This Spell.

Finish a **long rest** to recover **spell slots**.

**Arcane Recovery** PHB 115 Recover [(Wizard level ÷ 2), rounded up] spell slot levels following a short rest. One use daily, spell slots of 5th level or lower.

**Cantrip** PHB 201 Low-level spell, cast at will. Requires no spell slot or preparation.

**Concentration** PHB 203 Required to sustain certain spells. May be interrupted by damage (requires roll). Only one spell may be concentrated upon at a time.

**Ritual** PHB 201 Cast certain spells without a slot or preparation. Adds 10 minutes to casting time.

**Spell Description** PHB 211 Lists components, range, casting time, target, duration, effects.

**Spell Level** PHB 201 Distinct from wizard level. The level of spell slots you have tells you the level of spells you can cast.

**Spell List** PHB 210 All the spells available to the wizard class.

**Spellbook** PHB 114 Your personal spell collection: all the ones you have discovered arcane instructions for casting.

**Prepared (Known) Spells** PHB 114 Spells you selected from your spellbook following a long rest and have ready to cast today.

**Spell Slots** PHB 113 The number and level of spells available for you to cast before resting again. Each casting consumes a spell slot of the required spell level or higher.

## Spell Scrolls to Dice Rolls: Preparing Your Bag of Tricks

### 1 Select spells from your spellbook.

PHB 114 This is the reference tome of spells you have collected.\* Your book contains the instructions for casting these spells. To actually cast them, you will need to **prepare** each by studying a selection of spells and having them in mind.—\*Add spells by gaining levels, copying other wizards' spells, or arcane research.

### 2 Prepare the spells you've selected.

PHB 114 You prepare spells after a long rest by studying your spellbook: one minute per spell. These **prepared** spells become the ones you **know**. They are now available to cast using your **spell slots**. A spell remains prepared until you decide to replace it. Your **list of prepared spells** can contain this many spells: [(Wizard level ÷ 2), rounded up]

### 3 Cast a prepared spell by expending a spell slot.

PHB 201 You can cast spells you've prepared if you have remaining **spell slots** of the required level or higher. You can choose to expend these slots on any of the spells you have prepared, including using a higher level slot to cast a lower level spell. Casting a spell consumes a spell slot, but you still **know** the spell and it remains **prepared** until you replace it. You can cast it again using another spell slot.

### Spell Attacks PHB 205

Some spells are **attacks** vs. the target's AC. The attack mod equals your **INT modifier + your proficiency bonus**. On ranged attacks you roll at disadvantage if any enemy within 5 feet can see you.

### Spell Saving Throws PHB 205

If the target of your spell can roll a save to resist its effects, the DC equals **8 + your INT modifier + your proficiency bonus + any additional modifiers**.

## ★ Wizard class levels 18-20

## Consult the Spell Description

1. Is the spell in your **spellbook**, and
2. Can you access all the spell's **components**: **Verbal**, **Somatic** & **Material**?

What is your **Wizard class level**? Higher-level wizard have options to cast using **Spell Mastery** or **Signature Spells**. PHB 115

## You Cannot Cast this Spell.

Obtain the spell for your **spellbook**; and/or secure the required **components**.

Is the spell one of the two 1st- or 2nd-level spells you have selected for **Spell Mastery**?

YES

NO

Do you have the spell **prepared**?

YES

NO

Have you cast this spell as a **Signature Spell** since your last short or long rest?

YES

NO

Is the spell one of your two 3rd-level **Signature Spells**?

YES

NO

## Cast Using Level 1-17 Chart

You may cast an **unprepared** spell if it has the **ritual tag**: Add **10 minutes** casting time, **concentration** required. PHB 201

## Cast Using Spell Mastery

PHB 115

You may cast this spell at its lowest level using **Spell Mastery** once between long rests **without expending a spell slot**.

## Cast As A Signature Spell

PHB 115

Cast at 3rd level **without expending a spell slot**. This **Signature Spell** is not available again until you complete a short or long rest.