



Silent Letters

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A B C D E G H K L
M N P S T U W X Z

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 Before LLY

A

basically critically physically
beisikli kritikli fizikli

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Final letters are MB



lamb
læm



thumb
θʌm



comb
kəʊm



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Final letters are MB

plumber
plʌmə

remember
rəməmbə

embarrass
ɛmbærəs



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BT together

debt
dɛt

doubt
daʊt

subtle
sʌtl



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 Next to an S



muscle
mʌsl



scissors
sɪzəz



science
saɪəns



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 Next to a K/Q

acquire
əkwaɪə

block
blɒk



MERGED SOUND

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 CH together → /tʃ/



church
tʃɜ:tʃ



wich
wɪtʃ



CHANGE OF SOUND

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Random!



yacht

jɒt

C

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ND together



handsome

hænsəm

handkerchief

hæŋkətʃɪf



sandwich

sænwɪdʒ

D

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Next to a G → /dʒ/



fudge

fʌdʒ



bridge

brɪdʒ

D

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Wednesday
wɛnzdeɪ



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Last letter in a word



love
lʌv



hate
heɪt



face
feɪs



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ED ending



kissed
kɪst



watched
wɒtʃt



cleaned
kli:nd



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GN at the beginning or end

G



foreign
fɔːrɪn



sign
saɪn



gnome
nəʊm

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GN at the beginning or end

G



magnet
mæɡnɪt



signature
sɪɡnɪʃə



cognitive
kɒɡnɪtɪv

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GN at the beginning or end

G



champagne
ʃæmpɛɪn



cologne
kələʊn

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 GH together


high
 haɪ


light
 laɪt


daughter
 dɔːtə



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 GH together → /f/


laugh
 lɑːf


cough
 kɒf

enough
 ɪnʌf

CHANGE OF SOUND



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 GH together


ghost
 gəʊst


gherkin
 gɜːkɪn



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 CH together



chemistry
kɛmɪstri



Christmas
krɪsməs



echo
ɛkəʊ



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 RH together



rhythm
rɪðəm



rhino
raɪnəʊ



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 WH together



when
wɛn

where
weə

what
wɒt



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WH together



who
hu:

whole
həʊl

H

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First letter



hour
aʊə



honest
ɒnɪst

heir
eə

H

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KN together



know
nəʊ



knife
naɪf



knee
ni:

K

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After A, O or U in the middle



salmon
sæməŋ



yolk
jəʊk

should
ʃʊd

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After A, O or U



metal
mɛtl

old
əʊld

ultimate
ʌltɪmɪt

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After A, O or U



sold
səʊld

bulk
bɜːlk

halo
heɪləʊ

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MN at the beginning

mnemonic
nimonik

M

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Ending in MN



autumn
ɔ:təm



column
kɒləm



hymn
hɪm

N

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PS, PN or PT at the beginning

psychology pneumonia pterodactyl
saɪkələdʒi nju:məʊniə tɛrədæktɪl

P

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 PS, PN or PT at the beginning



cups
kʌps



hypotherapy
hɪpəʊθerəpi



helicopter
helɪkɔptə

P

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 Random!



receipt
rɪsi:t

coup
ku:

P

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 PH → /f/



phone
fəʊn



pheasant
fɛznt

P

CHANGE OF SOUND

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Random!

S

aisle
aɪl

island
aɪlənd

debris
debriː

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STLE ending

T


castle
kɑːsl


thistle
θɪsl


whistle
wɪsl

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STEN ending

T


listen
lɪsn

moisten
mɔɪsn

fasten
fɑːsn

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French words ending in T



ballet
bæleɪ



beret
bəreɪ

rapport
ræpɔː



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Random!



asthma
æsmə



Christmas
krɪsməs



mortgage
mɔːgɪdʒ



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Random!

often
ɒftən



Virtually

 GU + vowel


guitar
 gɪtɑː


guard
 gɑːd


guide
 gaɪd





 GU + vowel


tongue
 tʌŋ


catalogue
 kætəlɒɡ


fatigue
 fətiːɡ





 Random!


biscuit
 bɪskɪt


circuit
 sɜːkɪt


build
 bɪld





 WR at the beginning


write
raɪt


wrong
rɒŋ


wrist
rɪst

W

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 WH + O


who
huː

whole
həʊl

W

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answer
ɑːnsə


sword
sɔːd


two
tuː

W

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Random!

faux

fəʊ

X

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Random!

rendezvous

rɒndɪvuː

Z

Virtually

subtitle

sʌbtʌɪtl

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