



TO LEARN THE
SILENT LETTERS



Silent Letters

Silent Letters

I recommend completing this worksheet to keep track of all the rules.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1TRo0Ta93Nxm8JS67wAVnWe-QFWHh-CtMe_eobVanCqk/edit?usp=sharing

Silent Letters



Silent Letters



Before LLY



basically
beisikli

critically
kritikli

physically
fizikli

Silent Letters



Final letters are MB



lamb

læm



thumb

θʌm



comb

kəʊm



Silent Letters

 Final letters are MB



plumber

plʌmə

remember

rəmɛmbə

embarrass

ɛmbærəs

Silent Letters

 BT together



debt
dɛt

doubt
daʊt

subbtle
sʌtl

Silent Letters



Next to an S



muscle
mʌsl



scissors
sɪzəz



science
saɪəns



Silent Letters



Next to a CK/CQ

acquire
əkwaɪə

block
blɒk



MERGED SOUND

Silent Letters

 CH together → /tʃ/



church

tʃʌ:tʃ



wich

wɪtʃ



CHANGE OF SOUND

Silent Letters



Random!



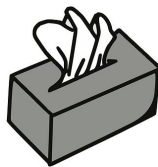
yacht

jot



Silent Letters

 ND together

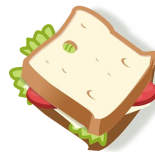


handsome

hænsəm

handhkerchief

hæŋkətʃɪf



sandwich

sænwɪdʒ

Silent Letters

 Next to a -DG → /dʒ/



fudge
fʌdʒ

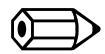


bridge
brɪdʒ



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Wednesday

wenzdeɪ



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Last letter in a word



lovee

lʌv



hatee

heɪt



facee

feɪs



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ED ending



kissed

kɪst



watched

wɒtʃt



cleaned

kliːnd



Silent Letters

 GN at the beginning or end



foreign
fɔːrɪn



sign
saɪn



gnome
nəʊm



Silent Letters

 GN at the beginning or end



magnet

mægnɪt



signature

signɪtʃə



cognitive

kɒgnɪtɪv



Silent Letters

 GN at the beginning or end



champagne

ʃæmpeɪn



cologne

kələʊn



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GH together



high

haɪ



light

laɪt



daughter

dɔːtə



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✎ GH together → /f/

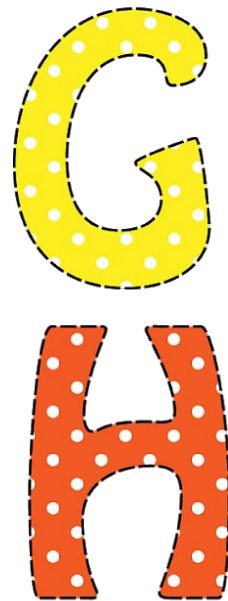


laugh
la:f



cough
kɒf

enough
ɪnʌf



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GH together



ghost

gəʊst



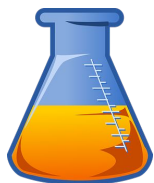
gherkin

gɜːkɪn



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 CH together



chemistry
kɛmɪstri



Christmas
krɪsməs



echo
ɛkəʊ



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 RH together



rhythm

rɪðəm



rhino

raɪnəʊ



Silent Letters



WH together



when

wɛn

where

wɛə

what

wɒt

Silent Letters



WH together + O



who

hu:

whole

həʊl



Silent Letters



First letter



hour

auə



honest

ɒnɪst



heir

eə

Silent Letters



KN together



know

nəʊ



knife

naɪf



knee

niː



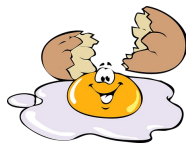
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 After A, O or U in the middle



salmon

sæmən

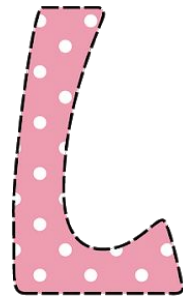


yolk

jəʊk

should

ʃʊd



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After A, O or U

metal

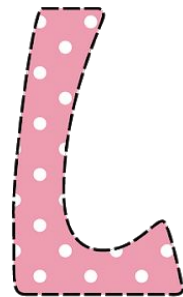
mɛtl

old

əʊld

ultimate

ʌltɪmɪt



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After A, O or U

sold

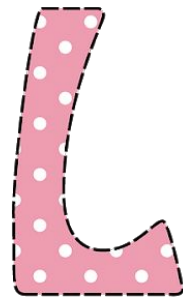
səʊld

bulk

bʌlk

halo

heɪləʊ



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 MN at the beginning



mnemonic
nim**n**ik

Silent Letters

 Ending in MN



autumn
ɔ:təm



column
kɒləm



hymn
him



Silent Letters

 PS, PN or PT at the beginning



psychology

saɪkələdʒi

pneumonia

nju:məʊniə

pterodactyl

tɛrədæktɪl

Silent Letters

 PS, PN or PT at the beginning

P



cups

kʌps



hypnotherapy

hɪpnəʊθerəpi



helicopter

hɛlɪkɒptə

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Random!



receipt

ri:si:t

coup

ku:



Silent Letters

 PH → /f/



phone

fəʊn



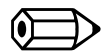
pheasant

fɛznt

P

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aisle

ail

island

ailənd

debriss

debri

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STLE ending



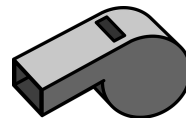
castle

ka:sl



thistle

θIsl



whistle

wisl



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STEN ending



listen

lɪsn

moisten

mɔɪsn

fasten

fɑːsn



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French words ending in T



ballett

bæleɪ



berett

bɛreɪ



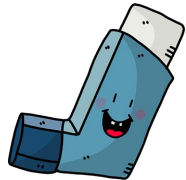
rapport

ræpɔː

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asthma

æsmə



Christhmas

krɪsməs

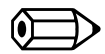


morthgage

mɔːɡɪdʒ



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often
ɒfən



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GU + vowel



guitar

gita:



guard

ga:d



guide

gaɪd



Silent Letters



GU + vowel



tongue

tʌŋ



catalogue

kætələg

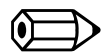


fatigue

fəti:g



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Silent U

biscuit

circuit

built



Silent Letters



WR at the beginning



write
raIt



wrong
rDη



wrist
rIst



Silent Letters



WH + O



who

hu:

whole

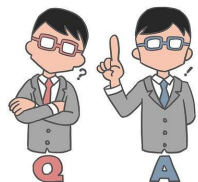
həʊl



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answer

ɑːnsə



sword

sɔːd

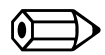


two

tuː



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faux

fəʊ

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Rendezvous - meeting with
friends (informal)

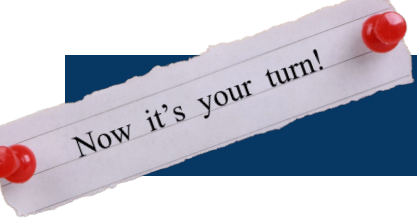
Shall we rendezvous at 4pm?

rendivuv:



Practice 1





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Reading Time

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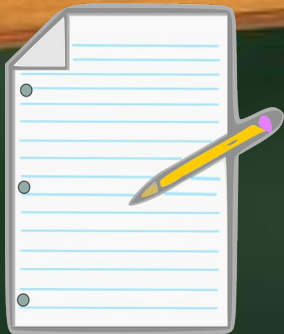
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