

Spelling Practice

TIP

When a short-vowel word ends with one consonant, double the consonant before adding an ending that begins with a vowel.

swim + er = swimmer

cut + ing = cutting

Do not double the final **x** in base words ending in **x**.

flex + ing = flexing

fax + ed = faxed

LIST WORDS

- 1. swimmer *swimmer*
- 2. biggest *biggest*
- 3. winner *winner*
- 4. cutting *cutting*
- 5. faxed *faxed*
- 6. setting *setting*
- 7. stopped *stopped*
- 8. wetter *wetter*
- 9. slipped *slipped*
- 10. stepping *stepping*
- 11. beginning *beginning*
- 12. admitted *admitted*
- 13. jogger *jogger*
- 14. flexing *flexing*
- 15. waxed *waxed*
- 16. bragged *bragged*
- 17. trapped *trapped*
- 18. skimmed *skimmed*
- 19. trimming *trimming*
- 20. shipped *shipped*

Adding Endings

Write each **list word** under the correct heading. Circle the ending in each **list word**.

the final consonant is not doubled before an ending is added

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____

the final consonant is doubled before **ed** is added

4. _____ 5. _____

6. _____ 7. _____

8. _____ 9. _____

10. _____

the final consonant is doubled before **ing** is added

11. _____ 12. _____

13. _____ 14. _____

15. _____

the final consonant is doubled before **er** is added

16. _____ 17. _____

18. _____ 19. _____

the final consonant is doubled before **est** is added

20. _____

TIP

In a **vowel pair**, the first vowel usually stands for the long-vowel sound and the second vowel is silent. You hear the long e in teacher and the long a in fail.

In a **vowel digraph**, two vowels together can make a long-vowel sound, a short-vowel sound, or a special sound all their own, as in said, ready, and group, and sooner.

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Vowel Pairs and Digraphs

Write each **list word** under the correct heading.

vowel pairs with the long a sound

- 1. _____ 2. _____

vowel pairs with the long e sound

- 3. _____ 4. _____
- 5. _____ 6. _____
- 7. _____ 8. _____
- 9. _____ 10. _____

vowel pairs with the long o sound

- 11. _____ 12. _____
- 13. _____

vowel pairs with the long i sound

- 14. _____

vowel digraphs

- 15. _____ 16. _____
- 17. _____ 18. _____
- 19. _____ 20. _____

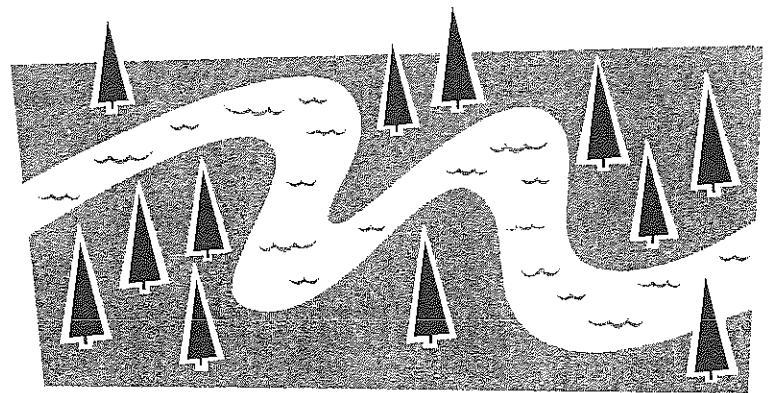
LIST WORDS

- 1. teacher *teacher*
- 2. feel *feel*
- 3. speak *speak*
- 4. clue *clue*
- 5. fail *fail*
- 6. soak *soak*
- 7. below *below*
- 8. lie *lie*
- 9. needle *needle*
- 10. said *said*
- 11. group *group*
- 12. feast *feast*
- 13. ready *ready*
- 14. cheap *cheap*
- 15. again *again*
- 16. throat *throat*
- 17. eager *eager*
- 18. sooner *sooner*
- 19. least *least*
- 20. contain *contain*

TIP

The vowels **oo** together stand for three different sounds. You can hear the different sounds in the words cooler, brook, and blood. Listen for the sound the vowels **oo** stand for in each list word.

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- 1. scoop *scoop*
- 2. shoot *shoot*
- 3. afternoon *afternoon*
- 4. cooler *cooler*
- 5. roof *roof*
- 6. broom *broom*
- 7. pool *pool*
- 8. choose *choose*
- 9. goose *goose*
- 10. soothe *soothe*
- 11. loose *loose*
- 12. stood *stood*
- 13. goodness *goodness*
- 14. wool *wool*
- 15. brook *brook*
- 16. cookie *cookie*
- 17. goodbye *goodbye*
- 18. wooden *wooden*
- 19. soot *soot*
- 20. blood *blood*

Words with oo

Write each list word under the correct heading.

oo as in <u>cool</u>	oo as in <u>book</u>
1. _____	12. _____
2. _____	13. _____
3. _____	14. _____
4. _____	15. _____
5. _____	16. _____
6. _____	17. _____
7. _____	18. _____
8. _____	19. _____
9. _____	oo as in <u>flood</u>
10. _____	20. _____
11. _____	

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TIP

In each **list word**, you will find that **gh** or **l** is not heard. Look for these spelling patterns in your **list words**:

al as in calf

igh as in light

oul as in would

eigh as in eight

ough as in through

ough as in fought

LIST WORDS

- | | |
|---------------|------------------|
| 1. fight | <i>fight</i> |
| 2. half | <i>half</i> |
| 3. sight | <i>sight</i> |
| 4. would | <i>would</i> |
| 5. night | <i>night</i> |
| 6. light | <i>light</i> |
| 7. calf | <i>calf</i> |
| 8. might | <i>might</i> |
| 9. highway | <i>highway</i> |
| 10. moonlight | <i>moonlight</i> |
| 11. bright | <i>bright</i> |
| 12. eight | <i>eight</i> |
| 13. thought | <i>thought</i> |
| 14. through | <i>through</i> |
| 15. weight | <i>weight</i> |
| 16. fright | <i>fright</i> |
| 17. sigh | <i>sigh</i> |
| 18. slight | <i>slight</i> |
| 19. fought | <i>fought</i> |
| 20. knight | <i>knight</i> |

Words with Silent **gh** and **l**

Write each **list word** under the correct heading. Circle the silent consonant or consonants in each word.

igh as in bright

al as in calf

1. _____ 13. _____

2. _____ 14. _____

3. _____ **oul** as in could

4. _____ 15. _____

5. _____ **eigh** as in freight

6. _____ 16. _____

7. _____ 17. _____

8. _____ **ough** as in through

9. _____ 18. _____

10. _____ **ough** as in brought

11. _____ 19. _____

12. _____ 20. _____

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TIP

The ô sound can be spelled many ways:

au as in because

aw as in flaw

o as in cost

ou as in bought

al as in already

Look at the spelling of the ô sound in each list word.

LIST WORDS

1. already *already*
2. because *because*
3. almost *almost*
4. flaw *flaw*
5. cost *cost*
6. wallet *wallet*
7. laws *laws*
8. lost *lost*
9. long *long*
10. belong *belong*
11. across *across*
12. all right *all right*
13. bought *bought*
14. August *August*
15. chalk *chalk*
16. haul *haul*
17. awful *awful*
18. crawl *crawl*
19. lawn *lawn*
20. caught *caught*

Words with the ô Sound

Write each list word under the correct spelling of its ô sound.

au

al

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 14. _____ |

aw

o or ou

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 6. _____ | 15. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 18. _____ |
| | 19. _____ |
| | 20. _____ |

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