

Read the spelling words and sentences.**Silent h**

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| 1. wrestle | <i>wrestle</i> |
| 2. scenic | <i>scenic</i> |
| 3. guarantee | <i>guarantee</i> |
| 4. descendant | <i>descendant</i> |
| 5. knoll | <i>knoll</i> |
| 6. align | <i>align</i> |
| 7. spaghetti | <i>spaghetti</i> |
| 8. herb | <i>herb</i> |
| 9. sought | <i>sought</i> |
| 10. honesty | <i>honesty</i> |
| 11. schedule | <i>schedule</i> |
| 12. thoroughly | <i>thoroughly</i> |
| 13. gnarled | <i>gnarled</i> |
| 14. hustle | <i>hustle</i> |
| 15. descend | <i>descend</i> |
| 16. scenery | <i>scenery</i> |
| 17. exhibition | <i>exhibition</i> |
| 18. resign | <i>resign</i> |
| 19. gauge | <i>gauge</i> |
| 20. jostle | <i>jostle</i> |

I had to **wrestle** the tight lid off the jar.
 The **scenic** view from the top floor is lovely.
 I **guarantee** that you will enjoy this book.
 He is a **descendant** of the former president.
 We climbed the **knoll** to pick some flowers.
 Please **align** the books along the shelf.
 We had **spaghetti** and meatballs for dinner.
 Her secret recipe called for a rare **herb**.
 I **sought** them out in the crowded room.
 People respect him for his **honesty**.
 The **schedule** tells when the show will begin.
 I was **thoroughly** pleased with the results.
 The branches were **gnarled** and knotty.
 We had to **hustle** through the crowded shop.
 The stairs **descend** to the basement.
 I watched the **scenery** from my window seat.
 Her painting was shown at an **exhibition**.
 The letter explained her wish to **resign**.
 There is no way to **gauge** the damage done.
 I apologize when I **jostle** someone.

Think & Sort the spelling words.

- 1–5. Write the words with a silent **h**.
 6–9. Write the words with a silent **k** or **g**.
 10–12. Write the words with a silent **t**.
 13–16. Write the words with a silent **c**.
 17–20. Write the words with a silent **u** or **gh**.

Remember

Some words contain silent letters.

**Spelling
Tutor**

Word Meanings

Write a spelling word for each definition.

1. a small, rounded hill
2. to collide, push, or elbow
3. to arrange in a line
4. an instrument for testing or measuring
5. knotty; twisted; misshapen
6. a promise or assurance; something that ensures a particular outcome or condition

Word Groups

Write a spelling word to complete each group.

7. grandchild, offspring, _____
8. hurry, bustle, _____
9. searched, hunted, _____
10. completely, extensively, _____
11. demonstration, show, _____
12. breathtaking, picturesque, _____

Use the Dictionary

Sometimes you may know how to say a word but not know how to spell it. To find the spelling word in the dictionary, first think of the letter or different letter combinations that can spell the sounds in the word. Then look under each possible spelling until you find the entry word. Write the spelling words for the following pronunciations. Use the **Spelling Dictionary** if you need help.

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| 13. /sē' nə rē/ | 17. /spə gēt' ē/ |
| 14. /dī sēnd'/ | 18. /rī zīn'/ |
| 15. /ûrb/ | 19. /skěj' ōōl/ |
| 16. /ŏn' ĭ stē/ | 20. /rēs' əl/ |

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Complete the Sentences

Write spelling words to complete the sentences.

1-2. We have to _____ through the crowd if we want to get to the boat _____.

3-4. Carl wants to see the _____ along the coastline, so he plans to drive on the _____ route during his vacation.

5-6. For her research paper, Abby _____ facts about a direct _____ of Washington Irving.

7-8. If your new stereo came with a written _____ from the manufacturer, be sure to read it _____.

9. I have to check my _____ to see if I am busy on that day.

10. Scientists use seismographs to _____ the intensity of earthquakes.

11. I will _____ from the presidency of the debating club.

12. It is an amazing sight when the planets _____.

Use Context Clues

Write spelling words from the box to complete the paragraph.

There once was an old woman who lived on a 13. near a village. The townsfolk often came to her for help. With her 14. hands, she would apply an 15. to a wound, and the wound would heal. One day she hired a boy from the town as an assistant. She made him promise that he would never use her cooking pot. That night the boy heard the woman chanting a poem. Curious, he peeked through the door. The pot was magically filling with 16. as she spoke! When the woman went out the next day, the boy, forgetting about 17., repeated the poem. The pot began to fill with pasta! Word spread and the house filled with curious townsfolk. They began to 18. each other in a rush to eat. Soon, they were all stuffed. The pot, however, continued to cook. The boy tried to 19. the lid on while waves of pasta began to 20. on the town.

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herb
jostle
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honesty
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gnarled
spaghetti

Proofread a Tall Tale

Proofread the tall tale below for ten misspelled words. Then rewrite the tall tale. Write the spelling words correctly and make the corrections indicated by the proofreading marks.

Have you heard of Pete Bunkin? he was a desendent of the giant lumberjack, Paul Bunyan. Pete Bunkin was so big that when he lay down, he used a knole as a pillow. He was so thorouly remorseful for the trees his ~~G~~reat-~~G~~reat-~~G~~randfather had chopped down that he saught to replace each and every one. ¶ Pete carried bundles of trees the way we might carry small piles of sticks. The trees looked like spaghetti in his giant knarled hands. He would aline the trees and plant them carefully. ¶ Pete wanted to guarantee that future generations would have beautiful senery. Thanks to Pete Bunkin, there are senic forests all over the country.

Proofreading Marks

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| ≡ | Make Uppercase |
| / | Make Lowercase |
| ^ | Add |
| ~ | Delete |
| ◊ | Add a Period |
| ¶ | Indent |

Narrative Writing

Write a Tall Tale

The **tall tale**, a form of humorous “brag” that grew out of the American frontier in the early 1800s, exaggerates elements of truth for humorous effect. Select a story from a newspaper or magazine. Retell the story as a tall tale.

- Use as many spelling words as you can.
- Proofread for grammar, capitalization, and punctuation.
- Circle three words you are unsure about and check their spelling in a print or online dictionary.

Transfer

Look again at the newspaper or magazine article and find three words that have silent letters. Write them in your Spelling Journal. Circle the silent letter or letters in each word.

Word Study

Consonant Sound-Spellings

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resign

scenery

kneel

campaign

gauge

plumber

pneumonia

descendant

scenic

subtle

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spaghetti

rheumatism

gnarled

honesty

answerable

descend

thoroughly

reminisce

Consonant Sound-Spellings

Write the words with the following sound-spellings.

1–3. /s/ spelled as it is in **mistletoe**

4–8. /s/ spelled as it is in **scientific**

9–11. /r/ spelled as it is in **rhombus**

Meaning Mastery

Write a spelling word for each definition.

12. a plant that is used in medicines and teas

13. a large, public show

14. to quit from a job or position in an organization

15. a plan of events that is followed in order to be elected to office

16. truthfulness

17. a disease affecting the lungs

18. an agenda for completing a task

19. a measuring tool

20. to rest on one's knees

Health

Word Hunt

Read the paragraphs below. Look for words that have silent letters.

My Grandpa Joe likes to reminisce about “the good old days when people didn’t have to wrestle with stupid rules about what to eat and then hustle off every day to get to the gym.” You can see that my Grandpa Joe wasn’t very subtle!

My grandfather grew up on a farm where people worked hard all day just to keep up the mortgage payments. People in his generation seldom asked the advice of a doctor. They just suffered silently with rheumatism or arthritis or whatever else came along.

Like most people then, his daily schedule was pretty simple: after a good sleep, he’d eat a big well-balanced breakfast and work hard all day. Then he’d have a solid lunch so as to guarantee enough energy reserve to work the rest of the day. He finished the day with a hearty supper. This schedule was so tough that weight problems were virtually unheard of. There was certainly no need to go jogging or join a gym as we do today!

Grandpa Joe’s generation wasn’t worried about smoking or other unhealthy habits. They didn’t know what we know today about such life-threatening dangers. As his descendant, I sometimes envy the simplicity of his life, but I am so glad we have the best of both worlds. It’s true that we have modern medical care, but we also have a responsibility to eat healthy foods, get enough sleep, and get lots of exercise!

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WORD SORT

1–10. Write the words that have silent letters. Use an online dictionary to check pronunciation and underline the letters that are silent.