

Lesson
7

Silent letters

Teaching

sign	whose
resign	whole
reign	answer
foreign	sword
knives	written
knocked	wrapped
crumbs	raspberry
limbs	cupboard
palm	stalk
almond	folklore

Lesson Generalization: A **silent letter** is a letter that is not pronounced. A word's spelling may include a consonant pair in which one consonant is silent.

gn kn mb lm wh sw wr pb lk

A. Which words from the list contain the following silent partner pairs? Write the words on the lines provided.

1. **gn**

4. **lk**

7. **wh**

2. **kn**

5. **wr**

8. **sw**

3. **mb**

6. **lm**

9. **pb**

B. Choose ten words from the spelling list. On a separate sheet of paper scramble the letters of each word and then give them to a partner to write correctly. Check your placement of the silent letter in each word.

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| 1. sign | 6. knocked | 11. whose | 16. wrapped |
| 2. resign | 7. crumbs | 12. whole | 17. raspberry |
| 3. reign | 8. limbs | 13. answer | 18. cupboard |
| 4. foreign | 9. palm | 14. sword | 19. stalk |
| 5. knives | 10. almond | 15. written | 20. folklore |

A. Circle the nineteen hidden spelling words in the word search puzzle. Words are written forward, backward, diagonally, and up and down.

W	R	A	P	P	E	D	S	C	S	D	S	N	P	P
R	H	F	K	S	Y	T	H	I	R	D	E	G	A	Q
A	V	O	O	P	A	K	Y	O	G	T	V	I	L	K
S	G	H	L	L	Z	D	W	D	T	N	I	E	M	Z
P	W	S	K	E	N	S	E	I	T	R	N	R	C	D
B	L	J	V	O	L	K	R	R	H	R	K	O	R	F
E	N	H	M	P	C	W	N	C	E	M	B	F	U	G
R	Z	L	X	O	X	Y	C	W	M	I	B	W	M	P
R	A	G	N	K	S	Q	S	U	W	S	G	L	B	S
Y	R	K	R	J	D	N	T	L	P	Z	X	N	S	B
K	E	X	C	M	A	J	M	F	I	B	W	G	P	J
Q	S	K	X	S	T	B	C	X	S	M	O	B	K	P
Q	I	V	X	Z	L	T	N	L	T	Z	B	A	Y	T
B	G	K	L	V	V	S	N	H	Q	R	J	S	R	C
S	N	G	J	H	Q	K	D	W	F	B	C	H	J	D

B. Which letter is silent in each combination listed below? Write your answers on the lines. Then, for each letter pair, choose one word from the spelling list that includes those letters, and use that word in a sentence on a separate sheet of paper.

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| 1. gn _____ | 4. kn _____ | 7. mb _____ |
| 2. lm _____ | 5. wh _____ | 8. sw _____ |
| 3. wr _____ | 6. pb _____ | 9. lk _____ |