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## Silent Consonants

Use the following rules to help you spell words with silent consonants.

- Silent **t** often comes before **en** or **le**, as in fasten and castles.
- Silent **b** often comes before **t**, as in debt, or after **m** in crumbs.
- Silent **n** often follows **m**, as in hymns.
- Silent **k** often comes before **n**, as in knickers.
- Silent **gh** often follows **i**, as in eyesight.

### List Words

1. Doubt
2. Knickers
3. Tombstone
4. lightning
5. debt
6. softener
7. almighty
8. solemn
9. fasten
10. whistling
11. castles
12. column
13. hymns
14. eyesight
15. listening
16. plumber
17. playwright
18. condemn
19. moisten
20. crumbs

### Words with Silent Consonants

Write each **list word** in the category that tells what silent consonant or consonants it contains.

silent <b>b</b> , as in <u>thumb</u>	silent <b>t</b> , as in <u>glisten</u>
1.	2.
3.	4.
5.	6.
7.	8.
9.	10.
	11.
silent <b>n</b> , as <u>autumn</u>	silent <b>gh</b> , as in <u>flight</u>
12.	13.
14.	15.
16.	17.
18.	19.
Silent <b>k</b> , as in <u>knife</u>	
20.	21.



### Comparing Words

Study the relationship between the first two underlined words. Then, write a **list word** that has the same relationship with the third underlined word.

1. Poem is to poet as play is to \_\_\_\_\_
2. Birds are to nests as kings are to \_\_\_\_\_
3. Vegetables are to peas as songs are to \_\_\_\_\_
4. Shoe is to tie as seatbelt is to \_\_\_\_\_
5. Big is to huge as powerful is to \_\_\_\_\_
6. Music is to hearing as colors are to \_\_\_\_\_
7. Water is to drops as bread is to \_\_\_\_\_
8. Shoes are to sandals as pants are to \_\_\_\_\_
9. Keep is to promise as pay is to \_\_\_\_\_
10. Television is to watching as radio is to \_\_\_\_\_

### Writing Sentences

Use the following **list words** in a sentence.

1. Debt: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Plumber: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Condemn: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Hymns: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Softener: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Whistling: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Almighty: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Playwright: \_\_\_\_\_
9. Eyesight: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Column: \_\_\_\_\_