

[ʃ] and [tʃ]

[ʃ]

[ʃ] is a fricative-alveopalatal-voiceless sound. (fricative= it produces friction in the airstream)

Common spelling patterns for [ʃ] are:

- sh, shirt, brush
- ti (in the middle of words), nation, election
- ci (in the middle of words), social, musician, conscious
- ss (in the middle of words), issue, depression, expression
- and ch, chef, machine, Chicago, chauffeur, chute
- less frequent is s, ci, and xi sugar, ocean, xylophone

[tʃ]

[tʃ] is an affricative-alveopalatal-voiceless sound (affricative= stop sound + fricative sound).

Common spelling patterns for [tʃ] are:

- ch (the most common): chew, chair, cheap, match
- tu (in the middle of words) nature, future, mature, culture, fortune, furniture.
- Tch (at the end of words) watch, patch, catch, butcher, pitcher, kitchen.

Listen and select the word that is NOT pronounced with [ʃ].

1.	Crush	Crash	Catch	Crash
2.	Chef	Chief	Chute	chiffon
3.	Machine	Parachute	Mustache	kitchen
4.	China	Russia	Chicago	Michigan
5.	Facial	Conscience	Science	Conscious
6.	Pressure	Pressed	Assure	Permission
7.	Division	Subtraction	Addition	Multiplication
8.	Position	Action	Patio	motion
9.	Charlotte	Cheryl	Sharon	Charles
10.	Tension	Resign	Pension	Mention

Listen and select the word you hear.

Example: You sure can (shop/ chop).

1. I didn't see the (dish/ ditch).
2. He hurt his (shin/ chin).
3. Did you hear that (shatter/ chatter)
4. It's a silly (wish/ witch).
5. It was an endless (marsh/ March).
6. She brought me the (wash/ watch).
7. You have a large (share/ chair).
8. We must fix the (ship/ chip).
9. Does she have a new (crush/ crutch)?
10. You completed the (shore/ chore).

Listen: two of the words of the series are the same and one is different. Select the one that is different.

Example: you hear:

Watch	Watch	wash
1	2	3

1.	1	2	3
2.	1	2	3
3.	1	2	3
4.	1	2	3
5.	1	2	3
6.	1	2	3
7.	1	2	3
8.	1	2	3
9.	1	2	3
10.	1	2	3