

TIP

Consonant digraphs are two consonants together that make a completely new sound. They can be anywhere in a word.

sh as in sharply, foolish

wh as in whiskers, wheat

ch as in chicken, reaches

The consonant digraph **th** has two different sounds.

th as in thunder **th** as in bother

LIST WORDS

1. *thunder*
2. *farther*
3. *reaches*
4. *chicken*
5. *wheat*
6. *Thursday*
7. *foolish*
8. *gather*
9. *brother*
10. *awhile*
11. *chimney*
12. *sharply*
13. *leash*
14. *bother*
15. *shipment*
16. *feathers*
17. *charge*
18. *shovel*
19. *whiskers*
20. *crush*

Spelling Practice

Listening for Consonant Digraphs

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

wh as in whale

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____

th as in thimble

4. _____ 5. _____

sh as in dish

6. _____ 7. _____

8. _____ 9. _____

10. _____ 11. _____

ch as in peach

12. _____ 13. _____

14. _____ 15. _____

th as in mother

16. _____ 17. _____

18. _____ 19. _____

20. _____

Missing Words

Write a **list word** to complete each sentence.

1. The driver turned _____ to avoid the dog.
2. Smoke goes up the _____ of the fireplace.
3. The _____ lays several eggs each day.
4. Jason felt a little _____ for wearing such a silly costume.
5. The spelling books will arrive in next month's _____.
6. Hand Greta a _____ so she can dig, too.
7. The oil on a duck's _____ helps it keep dry.
8. My cat has long, white _____.
9. Kim used a hammer to _____ the stone.
10. Keep your dog on a _____ at all times.

What **list words** can you make from the letters in these words? Use each letter once. The first one has been done for you.

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. rend, hut thunder _____ | 2. aces, her _____ |
| 3. we, hat _____ | 4. has, Trudy _____ |
| 5. her, tag _____ | |
| 6. both, err _____ | |
| 7. hail, we _____ | |
| 8. the, rob _____ | |
| 9. he, crag _____ | |
| 10. her, raft _____ | |



Spelling and Writing

Proofreading

The news report below has ten mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to fix each mistake. Then, write the misspelled **list words** correctly on the lines.

Strange weather hit our our area last Thurzday. The day was was warm until noon, when dark clouds began to gathur. heavy rain fell awile until there was a loud crash of thundur. Suddenly, the rain turned to hail! this was the first hail storm our area has seen since 1963. The the hail came down so hard that one woman said it knocked the fithers off her prize chikin!

1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____
5. _____ 6. _____

Proofreading Marks

-  spelling mistake
-  capital letter
-  take out something

