

TIP

The sound of **yoo**, as in curfew, can be spelled **ew**.

The **oo** sound, as in smoother, can be spelled in the following ways:

ew, as in mildew

ue, as in pursued

oo, as in gloomy

ui, as in fruitful

The letters **ui** also can spell the short **i** sound you hear in biscuit.

LIST WORDS

1. mildew
2. guitar
3. gloomy
4. cruise
5. guilty
6. curfew
7. pewter
8. juicy
9. smoother
10. bruised
11. quilted
12. building
13. fruitful
14. shampoo
15. soothing
16. suitable
17. pursued
18. biscuit
19. circuit
20. nuisance

Spelling Practice

Words with **oo**, **ew**, **ue**, and **ui**

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

ew spells the sound of **oo** or **yoo**

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

ui spells the sound of **oo**

4. _____ 5. _____

6. _____ 7. _____

8. _____ 9. _____

ue spells the sound of **oo**

10. _____

oo spells the sound of **oo**

11. _____ 12. _____

13. _____ 14. _____

ui spells the short **i** sound

15. _____

16. _____

17. _____

18. _____

19. _____

20. _____

Complete the Paragraph

Use the **list words** below to fill in the blanks in the paragraphs. Write the words on the lines.

In my family, we have an old mug made of _____ that has a very special story. It once played a part in helping people to escape on the Underground Railroad! My ancestors had been _____ a small room behind a wall to hide the fleeing slaves. Though they tried to conceal the door, it was _____ than the rest of the wall. The first time people were hidden in the room, they were followed by an official who had _____ them for miles. When he came to the house, he became suspicious about the wall. My great-great-great-grandmother Anne distracted the man by offering him a _____ piece of apple pie and a hot _____ on her best plate, with a cool drink of cider in the mug. He said the refreshments were _____ for a king, and he apologized for being a _____ before he left the house. The runaways were safe, thanks to Anne's quick thinking and _____ ways!

Word Building

Add and subtract letters to form **list words**.

1. mild + few - f = _____
2. gust - st + silt - s + y = _____
3. quill - l + wanted - wan = _____
4. go - o + suit - s + art - t = _____
5. brush - ush + disguised - disg = _____
6. curtain - tain + f + new - n = _____
7. shame - e + pool - l = _____
8. circus - s + item - em = _____
9. g + look - k + enemy - ene = _____
10. crust - st + bruise - bru = _____
11. fry - y + quit - q + fully - ly = _____



Spelling and Writing

Proofreading

This scene from a TV show about the Underground Railroad has nine mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to fix the mistakes. Then, write the misspelled **list words** correctly on the lines.

MAMA: "This way, George! Move quickly, now, because I think we are are being persoood!"

GEORGE: "I'm running as fast as I can, Mama. I brewsed my my foot, and I'm so hungry. I'd do anything for a biskit or a joocy piece of fruit."

MAMA (in a suithing tone): "We'll eat after we meet up with our conductor. Where could she be? At the the last station, they said we'd find her holding a lantern and waiting by a big oak tree!"

GEORGE: "Mama, look! That's her her, right over there!"

Proofreading Marks

- spelling mistake
- take out something

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____



Writing a Journal Entry

Write a journal entry from the point of view of a young person helping his or her family to participate in the Underground Railroad. Use any **list words** that you can. Remember to proofread your paragraph and fix any mistakes.

BONUS WORDS

steward
typhoon
undue
recruit
monsoon