Silent Letters

PHONETICS

Some English words have letters that are not pronounced aloud. For example, the letter w is not pronounced in write and k is not pronounced in knead.

Exercise I. Listen to the following words and type the silent letter in the box.

d e s i g n: ☐ 🔊 m u s c l e: ☐ 🔊 f o r e i g n: ☐ 🔊

w h i s t l e: ☐ 🔊 r e i g n: ☐ 🔊 w r a p: ☐ 🔊

c h o i r: ☐ 🔊 s a l m o n: ☐ 🔊 a i s l e: ☐ 🔊

Exercise II. Complete the sentences using the words from Exercise I.

1. After Harry heard that _____ he immediately knew it was time to go to Howgarts.
2. The _____ of Queen Elizabeth has been the longest in British history.
3. Would you like an _____ seat or would you prefer to be by the window?
4. _____ tension can be a sign of stress.
5. _____ the cake in a double thickness of foil.
6. We have _____ practice on Tuesday evening.
7. They wanted to _____ a machine that was both attractive and practical.
8. Thousands of young _____ and trout have been killed by the pollution.
9. Our company trades with many _____ companies.

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