

PHONETICS

1 –FINAL « S » : there are 3 different ways to pronounce the final « S » in English .

Click on the pictures to listen and practise.

**word ends with letters
t , p, f ,k**

« s » pronounced

/ s /



**like in « cooks » and
« meats »**

**word ends with letters
s,z,x, sh, tch, ce, dge, ge**

« s » pronounced

/ iz /



**like in « catches »
and « buses »**

all other word :

« s » pronounced

/ z /



**like in « prefers »
and « apples »**

2- Choose the right pronunciation !

books

/ s / / z / / iz /

waits

/ s / / z / / iz /

gloves

/ s / / z / / iz /

needs

/ s / / z / / iz /

drops

/ s / / z / / iz /

oranges

/ s / / z / / iz /

trials

/ s / / z / / iz /

works

/ s / / z / / iz /

boys

/ s / / z / / iz /

gains

/ s / / z / / iz /

dances

/ s / / z / / iz /

judges

/ s / / z / / iz /

3 – Now speak the word !

boxes

trucks

clouds

pounces

flies

jumps

looks

cages

wolves

bags

hearts

lamps

4 – Tongue-twisters : listen and repeat !

Nine nice night nurses nursing nicely



She sells sea shells by the seashore



Six boxes of biscuits, and boxes of mixed biscuits.



