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Silent Consonants

Use the following rules to help you spell words with silent consonants.

- Silent **t** often comes before **en** or **le**, as in fasten and castles.
- Silent **b** often comes before **t**, as in debt, or after **m** in crumbs.
- Silent **n** often follows **m**, as in hymns.
- Silent **k** often comes before **n**, as in knickers.
- Silent **gh** often follows **i**, as in eyesight.

List Words

1. Doubt
2. Knickers
3. Tombstone
4. lightning
5. debt
6. softener
7. almighty
8. solemn
9. fasten
10. whistling
11. castles
12. column
13. hymns
14. eyesight
15. listening
16. plumber
17. playwright
18. condemn
19. moisten
20. crumbs

Words with Silent Consonants

Write each **list word** in the category that tells what silent consonant or consonants it contains.

silent b , as in <u>thumb</u>	silent t , as in <u>glisten</u>
1.	2.
3.	4.
5.	6.
7.	8.
9.	10.
	11.
silent n , as <u>autumn</u>	silent gh , as in <u>flight</u>
12.	13.
14.	15.
16.	17.
18.	19.
Silent k , as in <u>knife</u>	
20.	21.

Comparing Words

Study the relationship between the first two underlined words. Then, write a **list word** that has the same relationship with the third underlined word.

1. Poem is to poet as play is to _____
2. Birds are to nests as kings are to _____
3. Vegetables are to peas as songs are to _____
4. Shoe is to tie as seatbelt is to _____
5. Big is to huge as powerful is to _____
6. Music is to hearing as colors are to _____
7. Water is to drops as bread is to _____
8. Shoes are to sandals as pants are to _____
9. Keep is to promise as pay is to _____
10. Television is to watching as radio is to _____

Writing Sentences

Use the following **list words** in a sentence.

1. Debt: _____
2. Plumber: _____
3. Condemn: _____
4. Hymns: _____
5. Softener: _____
6. Whistling: _____
7. Almighty: _____
8. Playwright: _____
9. Eyesight: _____
10. Column: _____