

Spelling Practice

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Words with silent consonants

HELPFUL TIPS

Use the following rules help you spell words with silent consonants:

- Silent **t** often comes before **en** or **le**, as in fasten or castles.
- Silent **b** often comes before **t**, as in debt, or after **m**, as 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.

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 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 A PARAGRAPH

Write a **descriptive paragraph** using the following **list words**.



castles
debt
solemn
fasten