

REVISION OF SPELLING

Silent Letters

A quick reminder:

Sometimes certain letters in a word are silent.

This means they don't make their usual sound, or they can't be heard at all.

Bren wanted to be a King's knight.

To prove himself brave enough, he had been given the job of returning Princess Kara's stolen necklace.



From *The Bravest Knight*, Fantasy stories

Look at the word **knight**.

Do you hear the 'k' sound? No. That's because the 'k' is silent.

EXERCISE 1

Here are some more sentences from the story *The Bravest Knight*. Choose a silent letter from the boxes to fill in the missing spaces.

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There was still no si__n of it.

Fat, furry spiders cra__led across his face and cockroaches clim__ed his legs, making him itch.

A slimy slu__ge trickled from somew__ere above and dripped slowly onto his head.

"This is stupid, Bren! You'll be burned to a crisp. If Mum __new."

Sharn whis__led softly under his breath. "You're nuts."

He'd had goodness ___nows w___at dripping onto him for ___ours.

A w___isper of warmth brushed by.

Bren reached for his s___ord.

EXERCISE 2

These missing words have two silent letters. Can you guess what they are?

It was so cramped that every time he moved, he bumped the bucket of water he'd
brou___t with him, spilling some of the icy liquid.

"Where's that dragon?" he thou___t crossly.

The moon had been gently li___ting the cave for ages.

It seemed to be dripping from somewhere up very hi___.

Now, crammed into the stinky slime hole, he thought maybe Sharn was ri___t.

A large, green eye suddenly stared strai___t at him.

Small flames from the corners of its mouth lit the cave bri___tly and Bren saw it was huge!

His chest ti___tened. His heart pounded.

Bren cau___t the necklace and walked to the cave opening.

Challenge:

Can you work out what these words with silent letters are?

You use these to cut things: _____ (silent c)

These help your body move: _____ (silent c)

One of the seasons: _____ (silent n)

You do this with your ears: _____ (silent t)

Kings and Queens live here: _____ (silent t)