# 26 Words With Silent Consonants

# Connections

# to THINKING

## Read the spelling words and sentences.

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1. campaign	campaign
2. psychology	psychology
3. fascinate	fascinate
4. undoubtedly	undoubtedly
5. adjust	adjust
6. miscellaneous	miscellaneou
7. mortgage	mortgage
8. adjoin	adjoin
9. ascend	ascend
10. raspberry	raspberry
11. subtle	subtle
12. acquaint	acquaint
13. acquisition	acquisition
14. pneumonia	pneumonia
15. discipline	discipline
16. adjourn	adjourn
17. acknowledge	acknowledge
18. adolescent	adolescent
19. acknowledgment	acknowledgme

The mayor ended her campaign. Behavior is studied in psychology. Lizards always fascinate Kim. He will undoubtedly recover. Toby must adjust to the schedule. Order the miscellaneous supplies. I got a mortgage to buy a house. The court will adjoin city hall. Please ascend the ramp in pairs. He made a raspberry dessert. Differences in color can be subtle. He will acquaint us with the plan. The acquisition of a job was slow. Eli is ill with pneumonia. It takes discipline to eat properly. The court will adjourn for a day. It is best to acknowledge errors. He is no longer an adolescent. Please send an acknowledgment.

Melinda is only an acquaintance.

## Think & Sort the spelling words.

- **1–10.** Write the words with a silent c or k.
- 11-14. Write the words with a silent **p** or **t**.
- 15-17. Write the words with a silent d in the first syllable.

acquaintance

18-20. Write the words with a silent **b** or **g**.

## Remember

20. acquaintance

Some words have more letters than sounds.

Spelling Tutor



## Silent c or k

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## Silent p or t

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## Silent d in first syllable

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- 16.
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## Silent b or g

- 18.
- 19.
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Word Magnings

## **Word Meanings**

Write the spelling word that matches each definition.

- 1. the study of human behavior
- 2. a response in return for something done
- 3. not immediately obvious
- 4. to suspend until a later time
- 5. a person whom one knows slightly
- 6. a branch of knowledge
- 7. to make familiar
- 8. to admit the truth of

## **Find the Synonyms**

Write a spelling word that is a synonym for each of the following words.

- 9. assorted
- 10. teenager
- 11. adapt
- **12.** rise
- 13. charm
- 14. attach
- 15. unquestionably



Write each of the following spelling words and draw a line between the syllables. Use the **Spelling Dictionary** if you need help.

- 16. pneumonia
- 17. campaign
- 18. acquisition
- 19. raspberry
- 20. mortgage

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## Complete the Sentences 2. 5. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. **Use Context Clues** 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18.

# Connections to READING

campaign mortgage discipline	psychology pneumonia acquisition	fascinate raspberry acquaint	acknowledge miscellaneous	adjus
adjourn	undoubtedly	adolescent	acquaintance acknowledgment	subtle adjoin

## **Complete the Sentences**

Write a spelling word to complete each sentence.

1. Some differences in cooking aromas are \_\_\_\_\_.

2. If \_\_\_\_\_ settles in the lungs, it causes breathing problems.

**3.** Studying math is good for the mind.

4. Time and trust are required to turn an \_\_\_\_ into a friend.

5. Only a few \_\_\_\_\_ items were left on Sally's to-do list.

6. Does the dining room \_\_\_\_\_ the kitchen?

7. If you are an \_\_\_\_\_, you are almost an adult.

**8.** I accidentally dropped the string and was forced to watch the balloon until I could see it no more.

**9.** If you \_\_\_\_ others with the game rules, they can learn to play the game.

10. Mara sent a thank-you note as an \_\_\_\_ of her gratitude.

11. Rather than \_\_\_\_\_ the meeting, we stayed past six o'clock.

12. The library's latest \_\_\_\_ included encyclopedias.

## **Use Context Clues**

Write spelling words from the box to complete the paragraph.

Tyler Wells would make a good case study for a 13. textbook. His repeated hard luck would 14. any scientist. First he lost his 15. bushes to mildew. Then he found a house he really liked but was refused a 16. He lost his 17. for mayor and was forced to 18. his defeat publicly. Tyler has 19. learned to 20. to misfortune.

adjust raspberry fascinate acknowledge psychology mortgage campaign undoubtedly

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## **Proofread a Journal Entry**

Proofread the journal entry below for ten misspelled words. Then rewrite it. Write the spelling words correctly and make the corrections indicated by the proofreading marks.

## march 15

Wage a campain to make new friends, but most individuals barely acknowlege me on the street. My mom says I should make the acquaintence of as many classmates as possible. I have been used miselaneous techniques to get to know people, including visiting a classmate in the hospital who had neumonia and staying at school meetings until they adjurn. when you are an adolesent, making new friends can be hard, but I will not give up. By giving acknowlegement to each person's good qualities, I will assend the social ranks.

Undoubtedley, and I will make many new friends!

## **Narrative Writing**

## Write a Journal Entry

Writing in a journal helps you examine and reflect on your experiences. Think about events in your life that affected you positively or negatively. Write a journal entry about one event, including your thoughts about it. Use as many spelling words as you can.

- Use the writing process: prewrite, draft, revise, edit, and publish.
- Include reasons why your subject is important to you.
- Use descriptive words that help the reader visualize where you were and what you did.
- Use complete sentences with correct capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling.
- Read your journal entry. Circle three words that may be misspelled.
   Use a print or online dictionary to check the spelling.

## **Proofreading Marks**

Make Uppercase

/ Make Lowercase

∧ Add

Delete

Add a Period

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## Transfer

In your Spelling
Journal, write words
that contain silent
consonants. Start with
words you used in
your journal entry.
Then think of at least
three more words with
a silent consonant and
add them to your
journal. Check the
spelling of each word
in a print or online
dictionary. Circle the
silent consonants.

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## **Meaning Mastery**

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### **Pattern Power**

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### **Base Words**

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# Word Study

gnarled adjoin resign sought hustle adjourn asthma pneumonia psychology discipline raspberry acquaint budgetary ascertain

miscellaneous undoubtedly acknowledgment psychiatry acknowledge psychological acquaintance mortgage fascinate campaign acquisition adolescent pneumatic succumb

wrestle adjust subtle ascend rescind khaki qualm

Use words from the list above to complete these exercises. Do not use a word more than once.

## **Meaning Mastery**

- 1. Write the word that means "to attract" or "to enthrall."
- 2. Write the word that is an antonym for obvious.
- 3. Write the word that means "a conditional pledge of property."
- Write the word that goes with blueberry, blackberry, and strawberry.
- 5. Write the word that means "something that has been acquired."
- 6. Write the word that is a synonym for hesitation.
- 7. Write the word that names a color.

## **Pattern Power**

8-14. Write the words that begin with a silent consonant.

## **Base Words**

Write the base word for each word below. Circle the silent consonant in the base word.

- 15. readjustable
- 16. adjoining
- 17. disciplinary

- 18. unacquainted
- 19. resignation
- 20. ascension

# Science Word Hunt

M. Grade

Read the passage below and look for words that contain silent consonants.

So you want to study psychology. The first thing you should do is take classes in science and mathematics. If your high school offers classes in psychology, take those, too. Science courses teach you to think logically and analytically. They also help you understand how the physical world—including the human body—works. You should also study and practice correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation. You will need good communication skills, and those include speaking and writing.

Before you head off to college to begin formal studies, it would probably be an excellent idea for you to interview a working psychologist. Check out your local phone book for names and numbers. When you find a psychologist who is willing and able to give you some time, make sure you are prepared. Have a list of questions ready when you meet. Find out all you can about the day-to-day experience of being a psychologist. Get as much practical knowledge as you can.

If you decide that psychology is for you, you will need to study for several years. Remember that a good psychologist is able to recognize and interpret a person's subtle mannerisms and behaviors. He or she observes how people adjust to stressful situations. A psychologist takes note of a person's qualms and motivations and guides the person to make sense of it all. Learning all these things will take discipline and dedication, but the study of psychology will undoubtedly fascinate anyone interested in the human condition.

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## WORD SORT

Do not write a word more than once.

- 1-4. Find and write the words with a silent c or k.
- 5-6. Find and write the words with a silent p or t.
  - 7. Find and write the word with a silent d in the first syllable.
- 8-10. Find and write the words with a silent b or I.