

Spelling Power

Lesson 10: Spelling the \ô\ Sound

Word Bank

launch	applaud	awesome	stalwart	naughty
author	caution	awkwardly	warrior	daughter

Key Concepts

- In many words, the \ô\ sound is spelled *au* or *aw*.
August fault awful drawn
- In some words, the \ô\ sound is spelled *a*, *ough*, or *ough*.
halt taught ought

Spelling Practice

Put the words from the Word Bank in alphabetical order. Circle the letters that spell the \ô\ sound in each word.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Spelling in Context

Write the words from the Word Bank that best complete each sentence.

- We gathered around the TV to watch the _____ of the space shuttle.
- Thanks to the _____ of careful engineers, everything went smoothly.
- The rocket rising into the morning sky was an _____ sight.
- The neighbors' five-year-old _____ stood staring at the screen.
- As the rocket rose, she began to _____.

LESSON 10 continued

Proofreading Practice

Read the paragraph below. Find the five misspelled words and circle them. Then, on the numbered lines, write the correct spelling for each circled word.

Born fifteen hundred years ago, al-Khansa was the dotter of one waurrior and the sister of another. She was also the awthor of some of the Arab world’s earliest poetry. Members of her tribe gathered to applod her. They thought her work would bring them immortality. Time has proven them right. Her poem for her stalwart brother, killed in battle, still touches readers today.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

Spelling Application

Listed below are eight more words that reflect the Key Concepts you have learned.

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| bought | caught | defraud | falter |
| haughty | thoughtless | vault | yawning |

Circle the letters that spell the \ô\ sound in each word. Then write the words that best complete each Tom Swifftie pun below.

- 1. “How _____ of me. I forgot to put the car in gear,” said Tom shiftlessly.
- 2. “The gymnasts are going to _____ right over me,” said Tom understandingly.
- 3. “The other runners are starting to _____. I think I can sprint ahead,” said Tom racyly.
- 4. “Look at all the hay I just _____!” said Tom balefully.
- 5. “The river has cut quite a _____ chasm,” said Tom gorgeously.
- 6. “I’ve often _____ up with that tired old horse,” said Tom naggingly.
- 7. “I’ve made a devious plan to _____ people,” said Tom stingingly.
- 8. “Just tell that _____ young lady to follow me,” said Tom misleadingly.

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