

Spelling Power

Lesson 7: The \j\ Sound with g or j

Word Bank

genuine	justify	surgery	journal	energy
urge	legend	gigantic	majority	jealous

Key Concept

The \j\ sound can be spelled with a *j* or with a *g* that is followed by an *e*, *i*, or *y*.

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|--------|----------|--------|-----|------|
| jazz | jelly | jingle | jog | jump |
| gentle | gorgeous | garage | | |
| giant | tangible | | | |
| gym | stingy | | | |

Spelling Practice

Write each word from the Word Bank under the letter that represents the \j\ sound.

j	ge	gi	gy
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
_____	_____		
_____	_____		

Spelling in Context

Choose the word from the Word Bank that best completes each sentence. Write the word on the line.

- The ten-story hospital is a _____ building.
- Dad went there to have _____ on his knee.
- While we waited, Mom read an interesting article in a medical _____.
- She handed it to me and said, "I _____ you to read this."
- I think my little sister was _____ of the attention I was getting.

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Proofreading Practice

As you read the paragraph below, circle the five misspelled words. Then write the correct spelling for each of those words on the lines below.

Jackie Joyner-Kerse is a legend in the history of women’s sports. An Olympic gold-medal winner, she is a jenuine heroine in her hometown of East St. Louis. With boundless enerjy, she raised money to establish a club for boys and girls. The magority of visitors are amazed to see the fine gymnasium, library, and computer lab. Ms. Joyner-Kerse certainly did not need to gustify the expense of providing children with a fine place for learning and exercise.

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

Spelling Application

The eight words listed below contain the \j\ sound. Find each word in the word maze and draw a circle around the word. Then write the words on the lines.

genius
janitor

ginger
job

gymnast
junior

heritage
vegetable

m r e g d u j n r
v e g e t a b l e
a j a n i t o r g
h e r i t a g e n
b g t u l m r y i
i o t s a n m y g
r u j u n i o r s

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____

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Lesson 8: Words with Silent Letters

Word Bank

knight	pledge	honorable	design	debt
autumn	heir	doubtful	folklore	knowledge

Key Concepts

- Some words in the English language are difficult to spell because they contain silent, or unsounded, letters. The English spellings often reflect pronunciations from foreign languages.
 (Latin) *signum* → sign
 (Latin) *dubitare* → doubt
 (Latin) *columna* → column
 (Dutch) *knapsak* → knapsack
- The letters *h*, *d*, and *l* are sometimes unsounded in English words.
honest ridge yolk

Spelling Practice

Choose the word from the Word Bank that matches each pronunciation. Write the word on the line. Then circle the silent letter or letters in each word.

- det _____
- ār _____
- noɫ'ij _____
- fōk' lôr' _____
- on' əɾ ə bəl _____
- dī zīn' _____
- ô' təm _____
- plej _____
- nīt _____
- dout' fəl _____

Spelling in Context

Choose the word from the Word Bank that best completes each sentence. Write the word on the line.

- My favorite season of the year is _____.
- It is _____ that a snowstorm will occur in September.

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3. When you owe something, you have a _____ to repay.
4. Studying new subjects is a good way to gain _____.
5. What a beautiful _____ you drew!

Proofreading Practice

As you read the paragraph below, circle the misspelled words. Then write the correct spelling for those words on the lines below.

Some of the folklore about King Arthur is based on real events. Every night in the king's court was expected to be honorable. They all took a pledge to be loyal to their king. Together they sat at the Round Table to discuss problems and solutions. King Arthur hoped there would be an heir to the throne who would uphold his ideals.

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

Spelling Application

Listed below are eight more words that contain unsounded letters. Use the words to complete the crossword puzzle that follows.

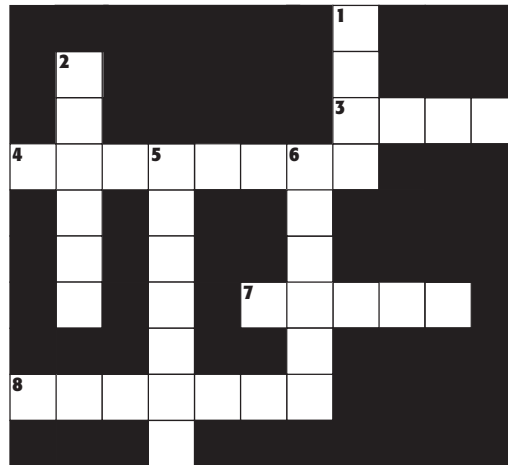
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|----------|---------|---------|--------|
| column | foreign | fudge | honest |
| knapsack | limb | plumber | yolk |

Across

3. branch of a tree
4. storage bag carried on shoulders
7. candy made of milk, butter, and sugar
8. not native to a country

Down

1. the yellow part of an egg
2. truthful
5. worker who repairs water pipes
6. a newspaper feature



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