

Spelling Power

Lesson 5: Spelling the \ô\ Sound

Word Bank

falter	awkward	tawny	automation	fraudulent
thoughtlessness	distraught	haughty	discord	endorsed

Key Concepts

- The \ô\ sound is spelled *au* or *aw* in most words.
August fault awful drawn
- The \ô\ sound is spelled *a*, *ugh*, or *ough* in some words.
halt daughter ought
- The \ôr\ sound is spelled *or* or *oar* in many words.
form coarse

Spelling Practice

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

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| 1. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

Spelling in Context

Write the word from the Word Bank that fits in each "terse verse" rhyme. Refer to the Key Concepts to help you spell the words correctly.

Example: terrible breakfast treat: a _ _ _ | waffle Answer: awful waffle

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| _____ | 1. paid no attention to disharmony: ignored d _ _ _ _ d |
| _____ | 2. dishonest purpose: f _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ t intent |
| _____ | 3. ungainly in reverse: a _ _ _ _ _ d backward |
| _____ | 4. vain and scornful Dorothy: h _ _ _ _ _ y Dotty |
| _____ | 5. mechanism to make sprinklers work by themselves: irrigation
a _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ n |

LESSON 5 continued

Proofreading Practice

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

What was killing the lions of Tanzania? As distroght rangers at Serengeti National Park watched helplessly, the tauwny cats ranging the savannah would mysteriously fawlter and die. Was their water supply polluted? Had the thotlessness of tourists introduced a deadly disease? The government quickly endoursed a study. Results were surprising: the lions had distemper, carried by local villagers' dogs. By inoculating dogs, rangers could save the lions.

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

Spelling Application

Listed below are ten additional words that follow the patterns you have learned. Fill in each word next to its definition. Then circle the letters that spell the \ô\ or \ôr\ sound.

auditory	default	forethought	fraught	glorify
hydraulic	lawyer	remorse	tawdry	wrought

- 1. related to hearing _ _ d _ _ _ _ y
- 2. to honor or praise _ _ _ _ _ f _
- 3. regret r _ _ _ _ _ e
- 4. attorney _ _ _ _ _ r
- 5. filled or laden f _ _ _ _ _ t
- 6. planned ahead _ _ _ e _ _ _ _ _ t
- 7. gaudy and cheap _ _ _ d _ _
- 8. failure to perform or to pay d _ _ _ _ l _
- 9. created or shaped _ r _ _ _ _ t
- 10. using water pressure _ y _ _ _ _ _ i _

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