

Lesson 6: Other Vowel Spellings

Spelling Words

1. *busy* _____
2. *among* _____
3. *building* _____
4. *young* _____
5. *enough* _____
6. *though* _____
7. *straight* _____
8. *rough* _____
9. *courage* _____
10. *eighth* _____
11. *system* _____
12. *although* _____
13. *sleigh* _____
14. *boulder* _____
15. *biscuit* _____
16. *dough* _____

Your Own Words

Look for other words with unusual vowel spellings to add to your lists. Where might you see the words *businesses* and *freight*? A health article might tell you that a *shoulder* injury is *tough* to heal.

17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____

These Spelling Words have unusual spellings of certain vowel sounds. Study the words to see how the short *i* sound, the short *u* sound, the long *a* sound, and the long *o* sound are spelled.

Say the Spelling Words to yourself, and sort them into four groups, each representing a different vowel sound. Three example words are given. Fill in the last one as you are sorting.

gym

tongue

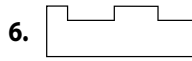
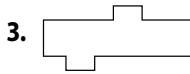
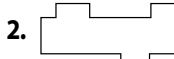
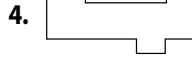
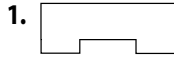
weigh

- In some words, the short *i* sound is spelled *u*, *ui*, *y*, or *a*.
- The short *u* sound is sometimes spelled *ou* or *o*.
- In some words, the long *a* sound is spelled *igh* or *eigh*.
- The long *o* sound is sometimes spelled *ough* or *ou*.

Lesson 6: Other Vowel Spellings *(continued)*

SPELLING CLUES: Word Shapes Sometimes, thinking about the shape of a word can help you remember the correct spelling. Is the whole word long and flat? Does a letter at the beginning of the word drop below the line, or do two letters at the end rise above the others?

Write the Spelling Word that fits each shape.



PROOFREADING 7–10. Proofread these paragraphs. Circle the misspelled words, and write each word correctly.

“Did you have a ruff day posing for photographers?” Dana’s sister asked her.

Dana laughed and shook her head. Her sister went on, “Well, if you’re not too bissy signing autographs, you can help me get dinner ready. Why don’t you start by mixing this douh? Although Mom and Dad will probably want one bisket each, you and I can eat two!”

WORKING WITH MEANING Study the picture. The two questions below the picture have words missing. Write the Spelling Word that best fits each blank.



There is one tree 12 the 13 s.
Would you have 14 15 to try climbing that
16 wall?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

11. _____

12. _____

13. _____

14. _____

15. _____

16. _____