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## Test Your Spelling Skills

### The Very Quiet World of Silent Letters – Activity 1

Some words in the English language contain letters that are spelt but not pronounced. These are called “silent letters”.

Study the six groups of words below. In each group there is a silent letter which appears in every word. Write down the silent letter in each group:

bread    cocoa    deaf  
musical    pharaoh

*The silent letter is: \_\_\_\_\_*

tight    resign    gnat  
champagne    high

*The silent letter is: \_\_\_\_\_*

yolk    half    would  
talk    could

*The silent letter is: \_\_\_\_\_*

castle    mortgage    duvet  
softener    watch

*The silent letter is: \_\_\_\_\_*

two    who    wrist  
answer    writing

*The silent letter is: \_\_\_\_\_*

descend    discipline    muscle  
fascinate    scissors

*The silent letter is: \_\_\_\_\_*

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*The silent letter is: t*

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answer    writing

*The silent letter is: w*

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*The silent letter is: c*