

# Silent letters



**A common spelling mistake is to leave out a silent letter. If you knock out the silent letter in each word, it will sound right, but it will not be spelled correctly. Circle the silent letter in each word in the box. Then, say the word.**

knack knapsack knead kneel knew knife knuckle  
known knockout knock wreath wrapper wreck  
wrestle wrinkle wholesale whole wrist answer sword

**A number of the words from the box contain consonant blends (digraphs). Classify the words.**

ck \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

st \_\_\_\_\_

sw \_\_\_\_\_

**Write the words from the box that contain these shorter words.**

sack \_\_\_\_\_

own \_\_\_\_\_

eat \_\_\_\_\_

rest \_\_\_\_\_

word \_\_\_\_\_

sale \_\_\_\_\_

out \_\_\_\_\_

rink \_\_\_\_\_

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## Solution

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knock wreck

st wrestle wrist

sw answer sword

**Write the words from the box that contain these shorter words.**

sack *knapsack*

own *known*

eat *wreath*

rest *wrestle*

word *sword*

sale *wholesale*

out *knockout*

rink *wrinkle*

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**Use a word from the box in each sentence. You might add an ending. Circle any silent letter that you write.**

1. The wind \_\_\_\_\_ the  
Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ off the door.



2. The sharp \_\_\_\_\_ was protected  
by a plastic \_\_\_\_\_.



3. The bear stole the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ from our tent.



4. The \_\_\_\_\_ to some questions are  
not \_\_\_\_\_.

5. He grabbed me by the \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ me to the ground.



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1. There is a \_\_\_\_\_ in the McNamara coat of arms.



2. In Boxing, the referee \_\_\_\_\_ on the mat, counts to 10, then declares a " \_\_\_\_\_!"

3. Sarah has a \_\_\_\_\_ for being in the wrong place at the wrong time.



4. Peter \_\_\_\_\_ a store that would sell me film \_\_\_\_\_.



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1. knock**ed** wreath
2. knife wrapper
3. whole knapsack
4. answer**s** known
5. wrist wrestl**ed**



1. sword
2. kneel**s** knockout
3. knack
4. knew wholesale

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**Write the missing letters.**

rinkl    hol    restl    nuckl    nife    holesal    s ord  
an er



**Use the words below to make three words from the box.**

sack out sale knap knock whole

\_\_\_\_\_

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## Solution

Write the missing letters.

wrinkle    whole    wrestle    knuckle    knife  
wholesale    sword  
answer



Use the words below to make three words from the box.

sack out sale knap knock whole

*knapsack    wholesale    knockout*