

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

"demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by spelling words with common orthographic patterns and rules, including spelling words with silent letters such as kn, wr, and mb"

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

Some words have a silent letter you do not hear, like the k in know or the b in thumb.

The silent letter is there even though it makes no sound.
know starts with a silent k, and thumb ends with a silent b.

THE SPELLING RULE**Silent Letters kn, wr, and mb****know knocked knee write thumb**

WHERE THEY APPEAR: "Does anyone know what happened?" she asked calmly.

This deck teaches **Silent Letters kn, wr, and mb** across the five RPLD thinking levels: **NOTICE → CHOOSE → SHOW → OWN → DEFEND.**

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice the silent letter."

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Notice the silent letter.

Find the letter you do not hear.

know = the k is silent

I CAN I can notice a silent letter in a word.



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CHOOSE

"I can choose the word with the silent letter."

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Choose the correct spelling.

Which spelling of the word that means the joint in your leg is correct?

knee • nee • knea

I CAN I can choose the word with the silent letter.



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SHOW

"I can show the rule with a passage word."

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Show the rule.

Add the silent letter to this word from the story.

___ now = _____ (add silent k)

I CAN I can spell a passage word with a silent letter.



TODAY'S THINKING JOB

OWN

"I can own the rule with a new word."

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Own the rule.

Add the silent letter to this new word on your own.

___ rist = _____ (add silent w)

I CAN I can spell a new silent letter word on my own.



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DEFEND

"I can explain and transfer the rule."

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Explain and transfer.

Explain why know has a silent k, then write one silent letter word of your own.

"I bumped the table and knocked it over."

I CAN I can explain a silent letter and use the word in my own writing.



Your turn to spell.

On your tracking sheet, add the silent letter to each word, then use one in a sentence about the reading.

___ nife (k) → _____ rist (w) → _____ rap (w) → _____ com ___
 (b) → _____ lam _____ (b) → _____

I CAN I can spell words with silent letters on my own.

Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE in know the k is silent. You do not hear it.

CHOOSE knee is correct. It has a silent k at the start.

SHOW know, with a silent k.

OWN wrist, with a silent w.

DEFEND know has a silent k that we do not say; a correct student word might be knife, wrap, or comb.

YOUR TURN knife, wrist, wrap, comb, lamb

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READ THIS SENTENCE.

Amina bumped the table and _____ the jar over.

Which word correctly completes the sentence?

A knocked

B nocked

C knoked

D knockd

The Answer, and Why

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The answer is **A**.

- A** **knocked** · Correct. It has a silent k at the start and adds -ed.
- B** **nocked** · Leaves off the silent k that this word needs.
- C** **knoked** · Leaves out a k, so the base word knock is not complete.
- D** **knockd** · Leaves out the e in the -ed ending.