

Words with a long /e/ sound spelt 'ie' or 'ei' after c (and exceptions)



Who has heard this well-known spelling rule before?

'i' before 'e'
except after 'c'!



But is it really true?

Does the rule apply all of the time?

As with many spelling rules, 'i' before 'e' except after 'c' works most of the time **but not always**.

The rule usually applies when the 'ie' makes a long /e/ sound.



Working with a partner, you are going to try and find as many words as you can with an 'ie' letter pattern that makes a long /e/ sound.

In the next **15 minutes**, see how many words you can find with an 'ie' that makes a long /e/ sound.

Words with an 'ie' letter pattern that makes a long /e/ sound

e.g. chief



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Can you find any of the words that are your spelling words for this week?

Words with an 'ie' letter pattern that makes a long /e/ sound

chief

siege

niece

grief

fiend

shriek

chief

believe

achieve

convenience

mischievous

Did you find any of this week's spelling words?
Read them aloud - can you hear the long /e/ sound?

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Can you use one of your 'ie' spellings in a sentence written in the passive voice?

For example: The postman was bitten by the mischievous dog.



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Challenge: Can you use one of your 'ie' spellings in a subjunctive mood sentence?

For example: If I were a police chief, I would wipe crime off the streets.



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Remember that they all have an 'ie' letter pattern that makes a long /e/ sound.



