



Silent h

We've already seen h do its “silent act” in lots of words. Remember?

In words with **g-h**, it can say “absolutely nothing” or it could just say /g/. Both ways, the h is silent.

In words with **w-h**, we *usually* say /w/ and rarely say /h/.

In most words with **o-u-g-h**, the h is silent.

In words with **i-g-h**, it only says /eye/ (with no /h/ sound), and in words with **e-i-g-h**, there is no /h/ sound, either.

In words with **c-h**—all three sounds (/ch/, /k/, /sh/)—we hear no /h/.

In words with **t-h**, we either say the puff sound, /th/, or buzz sound, /th/, or just /t/. No /h/.

P-h just says /f/.

R-h just says /r/.

G-h just says /g/ (if it says anything at all).



BUT . . .

Sometimes h is silent all on its own.

honest

honor

hour

heir

herb

There are other words with a silent h, too.

Try these:

vehicle

vehement

exhausted

Matching Words with Silent H

honest



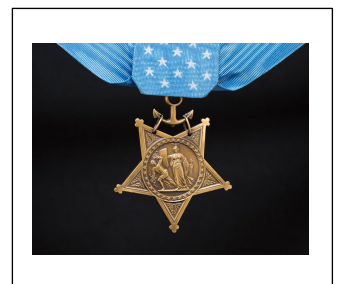
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Spelling Words with Silent H

