

PHONICS WORD SORTS

SILENT LETTERS EDITION

SoR
aligned

silent letters
Write them under the correct sound. Then, read each list three times.
knob knife
kneel next
nip knot

n

silent letters
Directions: In this activity, I am going to say a word, use it in a sentence, and say it again. Your job is to listen for the /n/ sound. It will be spelled either with the silent letter 'kn' or just 'n'. Then, you will write the word in the correct column on your paper.

Knox	Knox plays on my team.
knit	I know how to knit.
Nan	I went to the beach with Nan.
note	My teacher gave me a note.
nut	She ate a nut.
knock	There was a knock on the door.
nine	He has nine dollars.
knot	Tie the rope in a knot.

silent letters

Listen & Write Word Sort

n

Nan
note

Word Hunt & Sort
Find words with silent letters. Write them under the correct sound. Then, read each list three times each.

silent letters

Name: _____

Cut the pictures. Say each word. Sort and glue the word by _____

kn

n



Name: _____

Cut out the words. Say each word. Sort _____

kn

knife

knot

knee

knit

Knox

knob

K-2

differentiate with 5 sorts per skill
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4 SILENT LETTER SKILLS INCLUDED

Comparing Silent Letter Sounds

*kn VS n

*wr VS r

*mb VS m

*mixed silent letter review

Please note: In the picture sorts, students will hear either the /n/, /r/, or /m/ sound spelled as either n/kn, n/gn/, r/wr, or m/mb. Because the spelling difference cannot be heard, the picture sorts should be completed with teacher guidance and is included to support spelling pattern awareness and consistency within the phonics skill set.

5 sort types per skill



no-prep sorts total

Covers all silent letter decoding contrasts for targeted phonics instruction.

There's a sort for that!



Word Work Routine

Use a different sort each day to target the same phonics skills all week.

Small Group Reading

Choose the best-fit sort for your group's current skill level.

Phonics Intervention

Target foundational decoding skills in a structured, hands-on way.

Homework Or Take-Home Practice

Send home a sort to reinforce class instruction.

Quick Assessments or Progress Monitoring

Use the written word sort or dictation sort as a no-prep skill check.