

## Final Silent E #1

Final silent E makes a vowel say its name (long vowel), even if it has to jump over a consonant to do it.

## Examples:

kit ----- kite

pin ----- pine

fat ----- fate

can ----- cane

cut ----- cute

strip ----- stripe

## Final Silent E #2

Final silent E makes <c> say /s/ and <g> say /j/.

## Examples:

race

twice

village

choice

college

cage

## Final Silent E #3

Final silent E stops words ending with illegal letters (i, j, q, u, v).

## Examples:

untie

fridge

cue

cage

plaque

cave

## Final Silent E #4

Final silent E can give the last syllable a vowel.

## Reminder:

- Every syllable must have a vowel
- A consonant plus -le cannot be split up

## Examples:

able	cycle	ankle
idle	struggle	staple
hassle	title	puzzle

## Ending in -al:

- used to denote **adjectives** from Latin, Greek, and English words (total, final, original).
- **nouns denoting verbal action** (arrival, burial).

## Double Consonant:

- be mindful of spelling and pronunciation if the vowel is in an open or closed syllable.
- E.g., aple/apple, fiddle/fiddle, puzle/puzzle

## Words with more than two syllables:

- In 3+ syllable words where vowels are left in open syllables, but no doubling occurs.
- Emphasis in the word is on a closed syllable.
- E.G., icicle, **ar**ticle, **pin**nacle



## Final Silent E #5

Plural-Cancelling E eliminates confusion of words with a /s/ sound and whether or not the word is plural.

## Examples:

goose - goos

lapse - laps

house

rinse

carse - cars

tease - teas

horse

course

moose - moos

tense - tens

false

sense

## Final Silent E #6

Final silent E can act as a signal to make the final consonant a voiced rather than unvoiced sound.

## Examples:

teeth - teethe

bath - bathe

loath - loathe

breath - breathe

cloth - clothe

house (verb)

## Final Silent E #7

Final silent E helps distinguish the function from content words.

## Examples:

by - bye

or - ore

be - bee

he - hee (laughing)

**Final Silent E & Suffixes**

When adding a vowel suffix to a Final Silent E, take away the Final Silent E.

**Examples:**

hope – hoping

rehearse – rehearsal

like – liken

dance – dancer

white – whitish

courage - courageous

**Note:**

- In **active – actively**, the Final Silent E is stopping the base from ending in an illegal letter.
- In **courage – courageous**, the Final Silent E is making the <g> say /j/. It must remain to keep the <g> saying /j/.

