

Exploring Spelling Patterns: Consonant Doubling & Silent E

Student Handout

Step 1: With a teacher, read the explanation for each spelling pattern and review the examples.

The Floss Pattern

When a one-syllable word has only one vowel and ends in **f, l, or s**, we usually double the last letter in the word.

Examples:

- The cliff**ff** is tall.
- Your stuff**ff** in the hall**ll** is a mess**ss**.
- Fill the glass**ss** with water.

The Silent E

The Silent E usually makes the vowel that comes before it say its name, not its sound.

Examples:

- Tube
- Lane
- Slime

Step 2: List, Group, Label

1. List: Read the words in the word bank on the next page.

2. Group: Sort the words into groups based on the spelling patterns and vowels that they use.

3. Label: Look at your lists. Create a label for each list that describes the spelling pattern used in the words.

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Word Bank					
nose sell stuff	mess cliff slope	less sniff take	bell mill miss	flake hope bliss	grape vote game
Label: _____ _____	Label: _____ _____	Label: _____ _____	Label: _____ _____	Label: _____ _____	Label: _____ _____
Words:	Words:	Words:	Words:	Words:	Words: