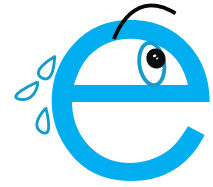


Single Silent E Rules

The Single Silent-e Has Many Jobs!



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1. The single silent-e creates long vowel sounds in Broken vowel teams: <a-e> <e-e> <i-e> <o-e> <u-e>
make **spite**

2. The single silent-e hangs with the <v> at the end of a word: <ve>
have **give**

3. The single silent-e hangs with the <u> at the end of a word: <ue>
rescue **avenue**

4. The single silent-e hangs with the <s> and the <z> at the end of a word to show it is not a base word + <s> suffix: <se> <ze>
daze (vs. **days**) **lapse** (vs. **laps**)

5. The single silent-e hangs with the <c> at the end of a word to create the "soft-c" sound of /s/: <ce>
chance **face**

6. The single silent-e hangs with the <g> at the end of a word to create the "soft-g" sound of /j/: <ge> <dge>
page **edge**

7. The single silent-e hangs with the voiced <th> at the end of a word:
breathe (vs. **breath**) **bathe** (vs. **bath**)

8. The single silent-e can be part of a suffix: <ine> <ate> <ive> <age> <ile> <ize>
active **realize**

9. The single silent-e adds weight to content words:
ore (vs. **or**) **bye** (vs. **by**)

10. This single final-e is not truly silent because it represents the schwa sound in the Consonant + le syllable:
lit-tle **ta-ble**