

BRITISH AND AMERICAN ENGLISH Spelling

American and British English Spelling Differences

American English is the form of English used in the United States. It includes all English dialects used within the United States of America. British English is the form of English used in the United Kingdom. It includes all English dialects used within the United Kingdom.

It can be said that American English has the more economical and phonetic spelling. Unnecessary letters are left out and words are spelled how they sound.

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Words ending in -or vs. -our

- Armor Armour
- Behavior Behaviour
- Color Colour
- Endeavor Endeavour
- Favorite Favourite
- Flavor Flavour
- Glamor Glamour
- Honor Honour
- Humor Humour
- Labor Labour
- Neighbor Neighbour
- Odor Odour
- Rumor Rumour
- Savor Savour
- Splendor Splendour
- Vigor Vigour

Words ending in -II vs. -I

American English vs. British English:

- Enrollment Enrolment
- Fulfill Fulfil

- Jewelry Jewellery
- Skillful Skilful

Words ending in -og vs. -ogue

American English vs. British English:

- Analog Analogue
- Boogeyman Bogeyman
- Catalog Catalogue
- Dialog Dialogue

Words ending in -ck or -k vs. -que

American English vs. British English:

- Bank Banque
- Check Cheque
- Checker Chequer

Words ending in -ze vs. -se

American English vs. British English:

- Analyze Analyse
- Apologize Apologise
- Criticize Criticise
- Memorize Memorise
- Minimize Minimise
- Organize Organise
- Paralyze Paralyse
- Patronize Patronise
- Prize Prise
- Realize Realise
- Recognize Recognise
- Socialize Socialise
- Specialize Specialise

Words ending in -er vs. -re

American English vs. British English:

- Center Centre
- Amphitheater Amphitheatre

- Caliber Calibre
- Fiber Fibre
- Kilometer Kilometre
- Liter Litre
- Louver Louvre
- Luster Lustre
- Maneuver Manoeuvre
- Meager Meagre
- Meter Metre
- Saber Sabre
- Scepter Sceptre
- Somber Sombre
- Theater Theatre

Words ending in -e vs. -oe or -ae

American English vs. British English:

- Encylopedia Encycopaedia
- Estrogen Oestrogen
- Leukemia Leukaemia
- Maneuver Manoeuvre
- Medieval Mediaeval
- Pediatric Paediatric

Words ending in -dg vs. -dge (or -g vs. -gu)

American English vs. British English:

- Aging Ageing
- Argument Argument
- Judgment Judgement

Words ending in -ed vs. -t

American English vs. British English:

- Dreamed Dreamt
- Burned Burnt
- Learned Learnt

Words ending in -ense vs. -ence

American English vs. British English:

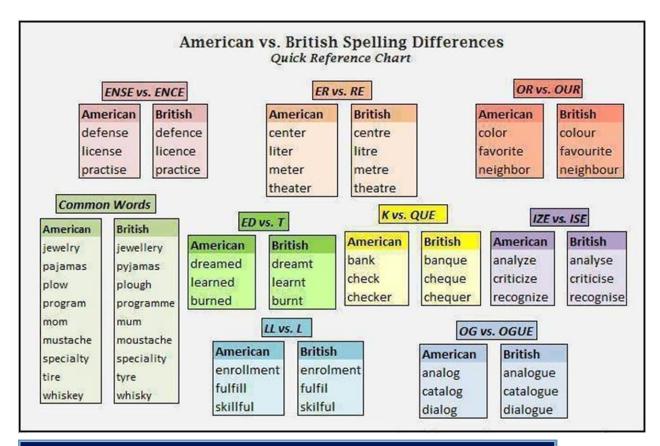
- Defense Defence
- License Licence
- Offense Offence
- Pretense Pretence

Words ending in a vowel plus -I

American English vs. British English:

- Counseling Counselling
- Equaling Equalling
- Fueled Fuelled
- Fueling Fuelling
- Modeling Modelling
- Quarreling Quarrelling
- Signaling Signalling
- Traveled Travelled
- Traveler Traveller
- Traveling Travelling

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