

# Tricky spellings

## Remember

Some words have tricky spellings. The letter string 'ough' makes lots of different sounds. For example: bought ('aw') and bough ('ow'). The spelling rule of 'i before e' except after 'c' is used when the sound is 'ee'. For example: 'piece' or 'deceive'. Some words do not follow this rule and must be learnt instead.



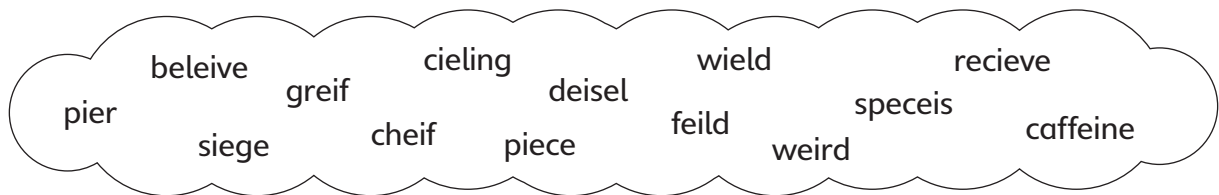
## Practise

- 1 Draw lines to match these words to the sound 'ough' makes. One has been done for you.

cough	through	brought	tough	thorough	plough	although
/uh/	/aw/	/oo/	/ow/	/off/	/uff/	/oh/

*Note: A line is drawn from 'through' to '/oo/' in the original image.*

- 2 Circle the words in the cloud that are spelt correctly. Use a dictionary to help.



## Extend

- 3 Write the missing word in the table. They all use the 'ough' letter string. Read the word meaning and the sound the word makes to help you.

Word meaning	Sound	Word
a. a cake with a hole	/oh/	
b. not smooth	/uff/	
c. past tense of think	/aw/	
d. a water container for animals	/off/	
e. detailed or complete	/uh/	
f. a preposition meaning 'in every part'	/oo/	
g. a long period of no rain	/ow/	