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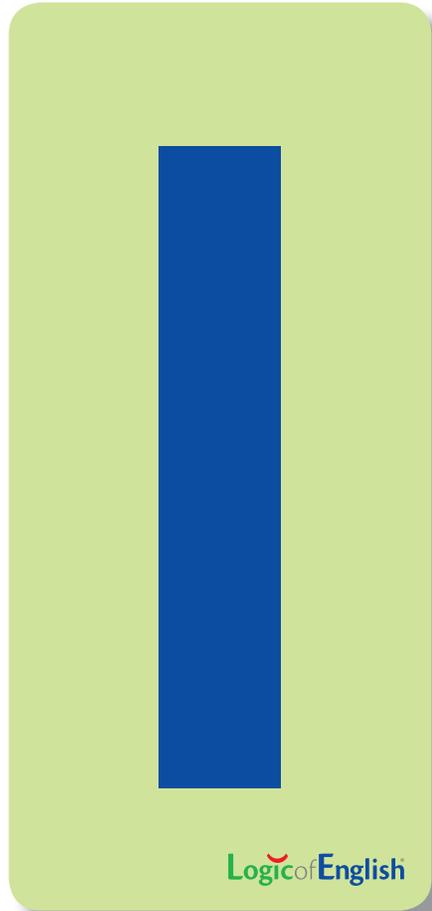
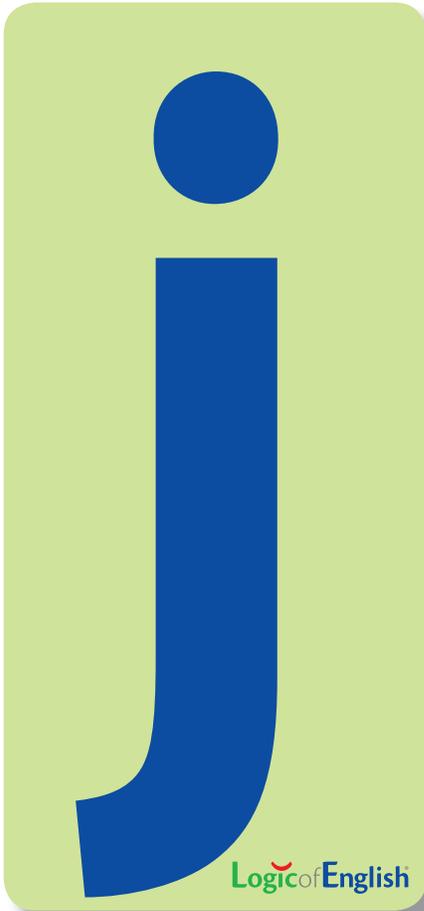
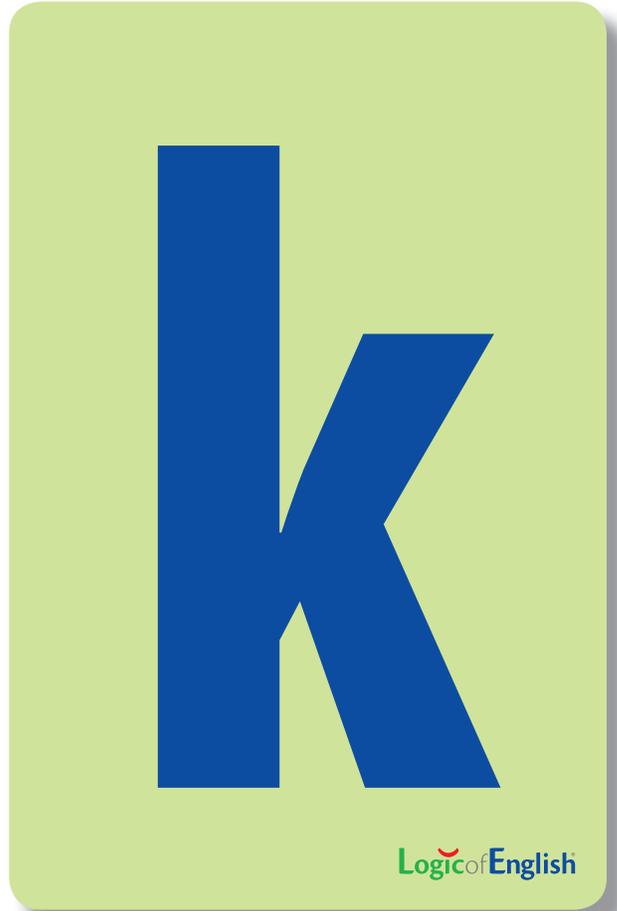
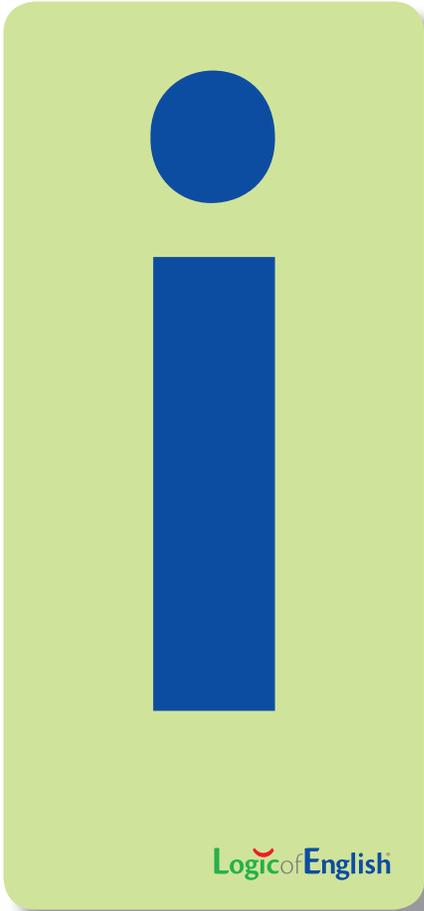
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C always softens to /s/ when followed by E, I, or Y. Otherwise, C says /k/.

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G may soften to /j/ only when followed by E, I, or Y. Otherwise, G says /g/.

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English words do not end in I, U, V, or J.

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A E O U usually say their names at the end of a syllable.

LogicofEnglish

I and Y may say /i/ or /ī/ at the end of a syllable.

LogicofEnglish

When a one-syllable word ends in a single vowel Y, it says /ī/.

LogicofEnglish

Y says /ē/ **only** at the end of a multi-syllable base word. I says /ē/ at the end of a syllable that is followed by a vowel and at the end of foreign words.

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I and O may say /ī/ and /ō/ when followed by two consonants.

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AY usually spells the sound /ā/ at the end of a base word.

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When a word ends with the phonogram A, it says /ä/. A may also say /ä/ after a W or before an L.

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Q always needs a U; therefore, U is not a vowel here.

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The vowel says its name because of the E.

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English words do not end in V or U.

LogicofEnglish

The C says /s/ and the G says /j/ because of the E.

LogicofEnglish

Every syllable must have a written vowel.

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Add an E to keep singular words that end in the letter S from looking plural.

LogicofEnglish

Add an E to make the word look bigger.

LogicofEnglish

TH says its voiced sound /TH/ because of the E.

LogicofEnglish

Add an E to clarify meaning.

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Unseen reason.

LogicofEnglish

Drop the silent final E when adding a vowel suffix only if it is allowed by other spelling rules.

LogicofEnglish

Double the last consonant when adding a vowel suffix to words ending in **one** vowel followed by **one** consonant, only if the syllable before the suffix is accented.*

*This is always true for one-syllable words.

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Single vowel Y changes to I when adding any ending, unless the ending begins with I.

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Two I's cannot be next to one another in English words.

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TI, CI, and SI are used only at the beginning of any syllable after the first one.

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SH spells /sh/ at the beginning of a base word and at the end of the syllable. SH never spells /sh/ at the beginning of any syllable after the first one, except for the ending *-ship*.

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To make a verb past tense, add the ending *-ED* unless it is an irregular verb.

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-ED, past tense ending, forms another syllable when the base word ends in /d/ or /t/. Otherwise, -ED says /d/ or /t/.

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To make a noun plural, add the ending -S unless the word hisses or changes, then add -ES. Occasional nouns have no change or an irregular spelling.

LogicolEnglish

To make a verb 3rd person singular, add the ending -S, unless the word hisses or changes; then add -ES. Only four verbs are irregular.

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Al- is a prefix written with one L when preceding another syllable.

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-Ful is a suffix written with one L when added to another syllable.

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DGE is used only after a single vowel which says its short (first) sound.

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CK is used only after a single vowel which says its short sound.

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TCH is used only after a single vowel which does **not** say its name.

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AUGH, EIGH, IGH, OUGH. Phonograms ending in GH are used only at the end of a base word or before the letter T. The GH is either silent or pronounced /f/.

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Z, never S, spells /z/ at the beginning of a base word.

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We often double F, L, and S after a single vowel at the end of a base word. Occasionally other letters also are doubled.

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Any vowel may say one of its schwa sounds, /ǘ/ or /ĩ/, in an unaccented syllable or unaccented word. O may also say /ǘ/ in an accented syllable next to a W, TH, MN, N, or V.

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