

SPaGtacular Starters i before e

What You Need to Know

Usually, we put **i** before **e** when spelling these words, but there are some exceptions:

- if they come before 'c', then use 'ei';
- if the sound is 'ay', then use 'ei';
- some words just don't conform to this rule, such as 'weird', 'foreign', 'science', 'height' and 'sufficient'.



Can you guess the following words and write them correctly?

Clue: each one has either **ei** or **ie** within them.

1. The person who lives next door. _____
2. Get. _____
3. The covering above a room. _____
4. A bit or morsel. _____
5. From another country. _____
6. Tricked. _____
7. A light brown colour. _____
8. Strange or unusual. _____

Now, can you write a sentence with each of these words in?



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1. The person who lives next door. **Neighbour**
2. Get. **Receive**
3. The covering above a room. **Ceiling**
4. A bit or morsel. **Piece**
5. From another country. **Foreign**
6. Tricked. **Deceived**
7. A light brown colour. **Beige**
8. Strange or unusual. **Weird**

