Silent letters

Silent letters are letters in a word's spelling that you don't say.

Silent letters can change how you say the other letters in the word.

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Say the word **castle** out loud.

- You pronounce it without saying the ‘t’ sound.
- The ‘t’ is a silent letter.

- The words KNOW, WRIGGLE, CLIMB and SIGHT also have silent letters.
- Write down what the silent letter of each word is on your Worksheet.

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The trebuchet is described in chapter 3.

- Trebuchet is a French word and the last ‘t’ is silent.
- What other words can you think of that have a silent letter?
- Write them down in your Worksheet to share with your teacher.

ASKING ALL AGENTS!

How do the words sound different without a silent letter?

Why do you think we use words from other languages?

Look at the pictures on the next slide for some clues!

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