

Week 28
SPELLING
Vowel Concerns: IE/EI

The vowel combinations *ei* and *ie* are often misspelled because the vowels are reversed. While there are exceptions to the rule “*I* before *e*, except after *c* or when sounded like *a* as in neighbor and weigh,” the rule may help with some words.

Word Bank

achieve
believe
field
height
leisure

niece
receive
relieve
thief
weird

Part I

Fill in the blank with the correct word from the word bank. Use the context of the sentence to determine which word should be used.

1. The crows ignored the farmer in the corn _____.
2. The citizens gathered to look at the _____ lights in the sky.
3. Police have been alerted that there is a car _____ in the area.
4. The teacher did not _____ the wild tale the student told about losing his homework.
5. After such a long hot summer, the cool rain was a _____.
6. It takes hard work and dedication to _____ all of your goals.
7. Sarah said she did not _____ the invitation to the birthday party.
8. Mrs. Dawson picked up her _____ and nephew at the park.

Part II

Write a paragraph using at least four words from the word bank.

Part III

Each word below is missing two letters (*ie* or *ei*) of the word. Write the correctly spelled word in the blank.

1. rec__ve _____
2. bel__ve _____
3. f__ld _____
4. n__ce _____
5. l__sure _____
6. w__rd _____
7. h__ght _____
8. th__f _____
9. rel__ve _____
10. ach__ve _____

Part IV

Read the paragraph below. Circle the misspelled words and write the correct spelling in the blanks provided.

The breeze blew through the corn field like a theif sneaking through a door. The small puff that made it to the yard was too soft to relieve much of the summer heat. The sun had reached a great, burning hieght in the sky. Esmerelda Goodman was spending the last few moments of her rare liesure time reading a book. She had waited so long to receive it in the mail; she began to believe it would never arrive. As she read, her neice, Jemima Pierce, arrived at the front gate, holding a wierd package wrapped in yellow cloth.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

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1. The crows ignored the farmer in the corn **field**.
2. The citizens gathered to look at the **weird** lights in the sky.
3. Police have been alerted that there is a car **thief** in the area.
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Student's choice.

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2. bel__ve believe
3. f__ld field
4. n__ce niece
5. l__sure leisure
6. w__rd weird
7. h__ght height
8. th__f thief
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1. thief
2. height
3. leisure
4. niece
5. weird