## Spelling list: ow words

Say the word out . Can you hear a sound like the word ' ow ' when you say it? That's the /ou/ sound! Sometimes, this sound is written using the letters ow .

There are three tricks you can use to help you remember when you need to use the letters ow to spell the /ou/ sound.

1) Use the ow spelling pattern if the /ou/ sound is at the end of a word, for example: crow, vow, or bow .
2) Use the letters ow if the /ou/ sound falls before the letter I, for example: owl, howl, or scowl .
3) Use the ow letter combination if the letter $n$ comes after the /ou/sound, for example: clown, frown, or down
owl I heard the hoot of an owl.
brow He wiped his brow .
now I was tackled in football and now I have a bruise.
sow A female pig is called a sow .
vow Some monks make a vow of silence.
howl The wolf let out a great howl.
growl A dog might growl to protect its pups.
prowl That cat is on the prowl for a bird.
scowl The scowl on his face told us he was in bad mood.
brown The leaves are turning red and brown.
clown $\quad$ They hired a clown to entertain at the birthday party.
crown The king wears a gold crown .
down A tear rolled down my cheek.
drown He might drown .
frown $\quad$ His face crumpled into a deep, dark frown .

The bride wore a white silk gown .

The bus was going to town .

A crowd had gathered around the street performer.

