

Spelling list: *ar* words: a starter list

Click on the speaker at the beginning of some of these words. Can you hear the /ar/ vowel sound? Let's learn how to spell it!

In English spelling, the /ar/ vowel sound is frequently represented using the letters *ar* and this spelling pattern can fall at the beginning, in the middle, or at end of a word. Some examples are: *army* , *farm* , and *star* .

As you work through this word list, see if you can spot where the /ar/ vowel sound falls in each word. Try out the different spelling activities and games until you feel confident.

Later on, you will discover other ways of spelling the *ar* vowel sound and some rulebreakers which use the letters *ar* to spell different sounds.

far	We ate far too much last night.
jar	The coffee jar is empty.
scar	The injury left a scar .
star	Jo is the star of the new TV comedy show.
hard	English spelling is very hard .
yard	Leave your bike in the yard .
bark	The bark is coming off this tree.
dark	My son is afraid of the dark .
harm	Too much sun can harm your skin.
charm	Her friendly manner will charm you.
harp	A harp is a large stringed musical instrument.
sharp	That knife looks very sharp .
part	The president took part in a TV debate.
start	The film starts at 8 pm.
carve	I'll ask Dad to carve the beef.

starve The refugees will **starve** if we don't send food.

arch The tourists stood beneath the **arch** .

march In the army they learn to **march** .

large Sam comes from a very **large** family.

barge He lived in a **barge** on the canal.