

Spelling list: Nouns ending in *us*

When you hear the /us/ sound at the end of a noun, the spelling is *us* .

circus	I object to animals performing in a circus .
crocus	The nicest flower to appear in spring is the crocus .
focus	It was difficult to focus on the moving car.
discus	She threw the discus at the athletics event.
fungus	A mushroom is a type of fungus .
surplus	All the surplus stock was given to charity.
bonus	The free meal at the event was a bonus .
chorus	I've been chosen to sing in the chorus .
virus	On holiday he caught a virus .
status	The status bar shows what documents you are working on.
genius	Einstein was a genius .
prospectus	We have asked for the college prospectus .
stimulus	Babies enjoy the stimulus of colourful toys.
terminus	The rail terminus is the final station on the line.
thesaurus	Use a thesaurus to widen your vocabulary.
apparatus	Do you have the correct apparatus for this experiment?
asparagus	James doesn't eat asparagus .
brontosaurus	The brontosaurus was common in North America.
hippopotamus	Hippo is short for hippopotamus .