

## Spelling list: *ur* words

The *ur* spelling pattern is used to represent the /er/ sound in English, like in *fur* and *nurse* .

You can click on the speaker icon next to the *ur* words in this list to hear how the /er/ sound is pronounced. Use the *Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check* spelling activity to learn how to say these *ur* words yourself.

In these words, the *ur* combination comes after a consonant and falls in the middle or at end of a word.

There are three other ways of spelling the /er/ sound so make sure you use the spelling activities to familiarise yourself with these examples of *ur* words. Soon you will develop a memory for which spelling to use for different words that contain the /er/ sound.

fur	The bear has thick <b>fur</b> .
blur	His vision began to <b>blur</b> .
slur	An insult is a <b>slur</b> .
nurse	Jane is training to be a <b>nurse</b> .
purse	A thief seized my mother's <b>purse</b> .
purple	Mix red and blue to get <b>purple</b> .
burst	Don't <b>burst</b> that balloon.
burn	Our new stove can <b>burn</b> wood or coal.
curl	The dogs <b>curl</b> up on the couch.
hurl	I <b>hurl</b> the ball to my teammate.
surf	I love to <b>surf</b> .
turf	We cut a piece of <b>turf</b> from the ground.
church	It was very quiet in the <b>church</b> .
curve	The racing car sped around the <b>curve</b> of the track.
return	It's time for us to <b>return</b> home.
murder	We watched a <b>murder</b> mystery on TV.

turnip            The man grew a huge **turnip** .

Thursday        I went to the shop on **Thursday** .

Saturday        Jack goes swimming every **Saturday** .