

## Spelling list: *ur* - longer words

Many words in English use the letters *ur* to spell the sound /er/. This sound is common in words like *burden* , *occur* , and *turtle* . In these words, the *ur* combination is pronounced like the *er* in *her* .

Here are two examples:

*burden* – The secret was a burden on Tim's mind.

*occur* – Dreams occur when you are asleep.

These words can be tricky because of the unusual spelling, so reviewing them will help you become more confident.

Try a *Look, Cover, Say, Write, Check* activity to test your spelling!

burden	The secret was a <b>burden</b> on Tim's mind.
incur	Downloading lots of data will <b>incur</b> high charges.
occur	Dreams <b>occur</b> when you are asleep.
recur	Did the error <b>recur</b> every time you logged on?
urban	Over the years, <b>urban</b> areas have expanded.
turban	He wears a <b>turban</b> .
hurdle	She cleared every <b>hurdle</b> in great style.
gurgle	The baby's <b>gurgle</b> delighted her dad.
turtle	<b>Turtle</b> eggs are laid in a hole in the sand.
disturb	Please don't <b>disturb</b> me.
perturb	Your bad manners <b>perturb</b> me.
surplus	All the <b>surplus</b> stock was given to charity.
survive	It is difficult to <b>survive</b> in the desert.