

Spelling list: *ough* words - set 1

The letter combination *ough* is one of the trickiest in English, as it can be pronounced in many different ways. For example, in *dough* , it sounds like *oh* , while in *rough* , it sounds like *uff* .

This list introduces some common *ough* words, each with a different pronunciation. Learning these words will help you identify the pattern and exceptions in English spelling. Click on the *speaker icon* and pay attention to the sounds in each word.

Learning these words will make it easier to spell and pronounce them correctly in everyday writing and speech.

dough	We need to knead the dough to make bread.
though	He kept running even though he was tired.
although	Although it was raining, the children still wanted to go out to play.
through	He kicked the ball through the window.
bough	The bird sat on the bough .
plough	We plough the fields.
rough	The path was rough and rocky.
tough	This meat is far too tough to eat.
enough	A dozen eggs will be enough .
cough	She had a terrible cough .
trough	The farmer put the pigs' food into the trough .