

## Spelling list: *au* - longer words

In these longer words, *au* is used to spell the /or/ sound at the start of a word. Examples include *author* , *automatic* , and *audible* . Learning this pattern will help you distinguish these words from /or/ words with different spellings. Click on the *speaker icon* to hear how the word is pronounced.

autumn	The leaves turn to gold in <b>autumn</b> .
auburn	Her <b>auburn</b> hair shone in the sun.
auction	He sold his house at <b>auction</b> .
augment	I needed to <b>augment</b> my income with a part time job.
caution	They approached the dog with <b>caution</b> .
exhaust	I'm exhausted after that long run.
laundry	I'll sort the <b>laundry</b> into piles.
author	The <b>author</b> came to a book signing at our local library.
authority	I don't have the <b>authority</b> to answer your question.
authorise	Please will you sign my form to <b>authorise</b> my trip?
authentic	This curry is made in an <b>authentic</b> Indian method.
autograph	She got the film star's <b>autograph</b> .
automatic	This email has been sent by our <b>automatic</b> system.
automobile	John took his <b>automobile</b> to the garage.
autopilot	The captain set the aircraft to <b>autopilot</b> .
audio	The <b>audio</b> speaker was turned up too loud.
audible	She spoke so softly that she was barely <b>audible</b> .
audience	The <b>audience</b> ignored the speaker.

audition            The drummer had to **audition** to join the band.

August             It was especially hot this **August** .