

Spelling list: More ways to spell short /oo/

The short /oo/ sound, as in *book* and *push* , can be spelled in different ways. While *oo* is the most common spelling, this sound also appears in words with *u* , like *bull* and *cushion* , or in words ending with *ould* , such as *could* and *should* .

These *u* and *ould* words don't follow the usual short /oo/ pattern, so they are best learned through practice and repetition. Try spelling them out loud and using them a spelling game to reinforce your learning.

bush	The bush was covered in flowers.
push	We had to push through the crowd.
bull	A male elephant is called a bull .
full	This chocolate eclair is full of cream,.
pull	The sign on the door said pull .
bullet	The gunman fired his last bullet .
butcher	We buy meat at the butcher's shop.
cuckoo	Have you seen the cuckoo clock?
cushion	He was uncomfortable so he sat on a cushion .
pudding	I had a delectable pudding after my tea.
sugar	I added sugar to my tea to sweeten it.