

Spelling list: Short /u/ spelled u

The short /u/ sound is typically represented by the letter *u* . You can find this spelling in words such as *under* , *umpire* , and *lunch* . Understanding this spelling rule is essential for learning many English words.

Our collection of *u* words features everyday terms, like *hungry* and *puppy* , which illustrate how this sound functions in different contexts. Familiarising yourself with these examples will enhance your reading and writing skills.

under England spent 64 years **under** Queen Victoria's rule.

ugly Grotesque can mean very **ugly** .

umpire The **umpire** blew his whistle.

uncle **Uncle** Bill is my closest relative.

until Wait here **until** I get back.

utter

button I need to sew a **button** on my shirt.

drunk The white milk is best **drunk** cold.

hungry My dog is always **hungry** .

lunch Have a biscuit with your **lunch** .

puppy Your new **puppy** is adorable.

sudden Her **sudden** death was a great tragedy.