

Soft “C” and Soft “G”

Usually when the letters “c” and “g” are followed by the letters “e” or “i,” the initial consonant is soft. A soft “c” sounds like the letter “s.” A soft “g” sounds like the letter “j.”

Words	In Context
certain	Are you certain she’s gone?
cereal	They eat many kinds of cereal .
cents	Do you have 50 cents ?
center	Let’s sit in the center of the room.
celebrate	Did you celebrate on your birthday?
circle	Can you draw a perfect circle ?
circus	He wants to see the circus this weekend.
cider	She likes to drink apple cider .
citizen	Being a U.S. citizen gives you rights.
germs	How do germs pass from one person to another?
generous	The woman was generous with her money.
gentle	Todd was very gentle with the frog.
general	As a general rule, don’t talk with food in your mouth.
giant	The giant bent down to pick up the man.
gigantic	There’s a gigantic sale at the mall today.

Is the **dark word** spelled wrong in the sentences below? If it is right, circle **OK**. If it is not correct, write it correctly on the line provided.

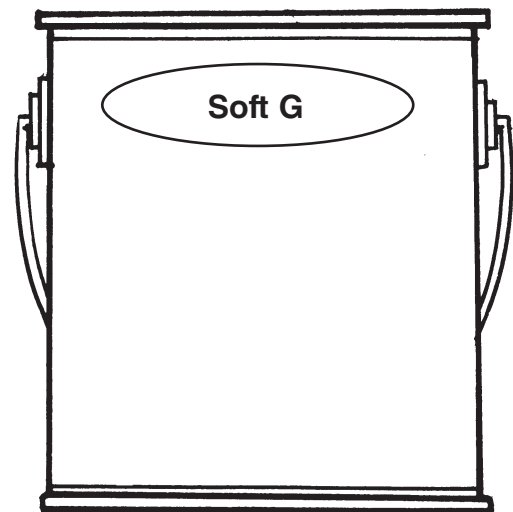
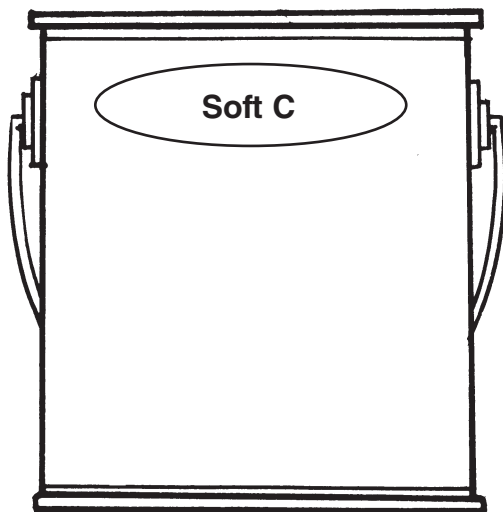
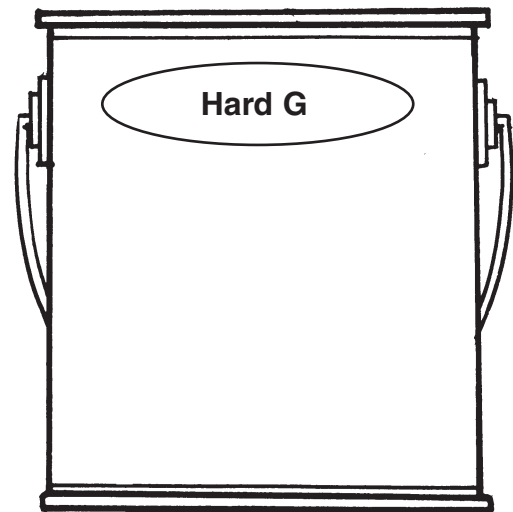
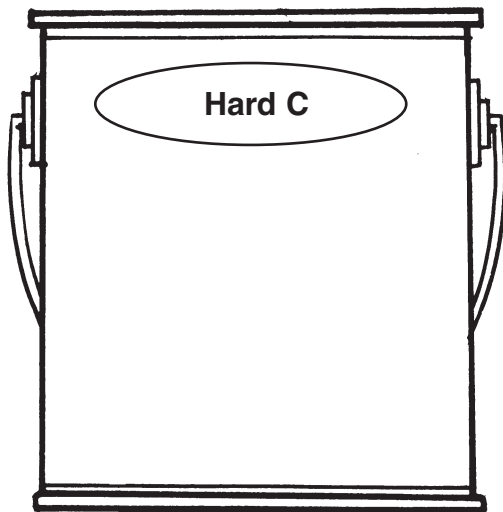
- To an ant, a person must look like a **giant**. OK _____
- Wash your hands to stop **germs** from spreading. OK _____
- In that photo, Jerry is in the **center**. OK _____
- Would you like a glass of warm apple **sider**? OK _____
- The children sat in a big **circle**. OK _____
- He ate a **gigantic** dinner. OK _____
- The **general** liked to go for a daily walk. OK _____
- Is that the kind of **ceral** that you like best? OK _____
- He is **certain** that he locked the door. OK _____
- People **celbrate** Christmas on December 25. OK _____
- She is a **citizen** of Mexico. OK _____
- Can you lend me ten **cents**? OK _____
- They gave a **genrouis** gift of money. OK _____
- The pig liked how **gental** the girl was. OK _____
- Those horses are part of the **cirkus**. OK _____

Soft "C" and Soft "G" (cont.)

Paint Can Word Sort

In the word bank are words from Lessons 6 and 7. Think about the rules for hard and soft letters. Sort the words based on their beginning sounds. Write the words on the correct can.

Word Bank				
germ	carry	government	certain	come
cereal	careful	guess	gone	circus
going	general	cents	circle	gigantic
could	center	gave	guard	celebrate
gather	color	cider	curve	garden
gentle	cute	giant	generous	citizen



Answer Key (cont.)

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Hard C

carry
come
careful
could
color
curve
cute

Hard G

government
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Soft C

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- lava
- America
- banana
- idea
- extra
- area
- pizza
- Asia
- comma
- Antarctica
- Africa
- camera
- china
- Australia
- Canada

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consonants

pizza
comma
extra
china
Antarctica

intersecting circles

banana	Canada
camera	Africa
lava	
<i>vowels</i>	
idea	Asia
area	Australia
America	

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- row; rowed; rows
- grow; no; grows
- low; no; no
- blow; no; blows
- flow; flowed; flows
- slow; slowed; slows
- show; showed; shows
- snow; snowed; snows
- know; no; knows
- below; no; no
- window; no; windows
- narrow; narrowed; narrows
- shadow; shadowed; shadows
- follow; followed; follows
- owner; no; owners

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|-----------|------------|
| 1. slow | 9. grow |
| 2. flow | 10. follow |
| 3. know | 11. shadow |
| 4. snow | 12. row |
| 5. window | 13. show |
| 6. below | 14. owner |
| 7. low | 15. narrow |
| 8. blow | |

Riddle answer: Nothing! He was too shocked.

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| 1. grew | 9. stew |
| 2. preview | 10. knew |
| 3. chew | 11. drew |
| 4. flew | 12. crew |
| 5. new | 13. dew |
| 6. view | 14. blew |
| 7. few | 15. review |
| 8. threw | |

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Answers will vary with dictionary used.

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- now & how
- crowd & loud
- towel & vowel
- power & shower
- down & town
- flowers & towers
- cows & plows
- brown & crown
- allow
- however

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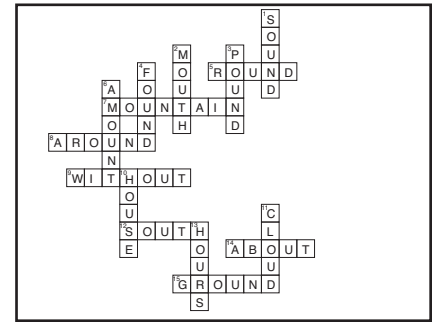
gray

below	shadow
snow	window
owner	known

brown

town	vowel
allow	power
towel	however
shower	crowd
flower	

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- too; 14; afternoon
- food; 5; balloon
- school; 10; choose
- soon; 13; cool
- room; 8; food
- moon; 6; moon
- root; 9; pool
- cool; 4; room
- tool; 15; root
- pool; 7; school
- choose; 3; shoot
- smooth; 12; smooth
- shoot; 11; soon
- balloon; 2; too
- afternoon; 1; tool

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consonants

school	balloon
smooth	afternoon
shoot	

intersecting circles

choose	root
food	cool
soon	tool
room	pool
moon	

vowels

too

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|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. join | 6. toys | 11. avoid |
| 2. employee | 7. point | 12. noise |
| 3. oil | 8. coin | 13. destroy |
| 4. loyal | 9. annoy | 14. enjoy |
| 5. soil | 10. choice | 15. voice |