

# **WORD LIST**



Direct Instruction for Decoding, Spelling, and Understanding Multisyllabic Words

Grades 4–12



**Megawords 6** 

ch =	/k/	<i>ch</i> = /sh/	ph	= / <b>f</b> /	que = /k/
aching anchor archeology architect architectural chaos chaotic character charisma chemical chemist chemistry chlorine cholera cholesterol choreography chorus Christine Christopher chronic chronicle chronological chrysalis chrysanthemum echo	mechanical melancholy monarch orchestra orchid psychiatrist psychiatry psychology schedule scheming scholar scholarship schooling schooner synchronize stomach technical	brochure chagrin chalet chamois chandelier charades Charlotte chateau chauffeur chauvinist Chicago chiffon chivalry echelon machine mustache nonchalant pistachio	alphabet apostrophe atmosphere autobiography autograph biography catastrophe claustrophobia decipher dolphin elephant geography graphic megaphone microphone nephew orphan pamphlet paragraph pharmacy pheasant phenomenon Philadelphia philanthropist Philippines	Phillip philodendron philosophy phobia phonetic phonics phonograph phony phosphate photocopy photogenic photograph photography photosynthesis Phyllis physical physical physician physics saxophone sophomore sulphur symphony telegraph telephone triumph	antique boutique critique grotesque oblique opaque physique picturesque technique unique  qu = /k/ conquer etiquette

#### ch

The consonant combination *ch* often makes the /ch/ sound as in *chin* and *each*. In words of Greek origin, *ch* says /k/ as in *chrome*. In words of French origin, *ch* says /sh/ as in *chef*.

1 Read these *ch* syllables aloud to practice the different sounds of *ch*. Circle the *ch* in each one.

<i>ch</i> = /ch/	<i>ch</i> = /k/	<i>ch</i> = /sh/
c h a r	arch	c h u r e
chil	s c h e d	tach
c h o c	c h o l	c h a n
c h u b	e c h	chif

#### qu and que

The letter combination qu at the beginning of a syllable usually says /kw/ as in quest. But in words of French origin:

- qu at the beginning of a syllable says /k/.
- qu followed by e at the end of a syllable also says /k/, as in clique.
- Read these qu syllables aloud to practice the different sounds of qu. Circle the qu in each one.

<i>qu</i> = /kw/	<i>qu</i> = /k/	<i>que</i> = /k/
qual	q u e r	tique
q u e s	quette	e s q u e
q u o		nique
queen		paque

## ph

Usually the sound f is spelled f as in f ish.

But in words of Greek origin, the sound /f/ is always spelled ph as in phone.

3 Read the syllables aloud to practice the /f/ sound of ph.

graph phone phew pho soph phys

# **6** Review

- **1.** The consonant combination *ch* often says /\_\_\_\_/, but it says /\_\_\_\_/ in words of Greek origin and /\_\_\_\_/ in words of French origin.
- **2.** The consonant combination *ph* says /\_\_\_\_ / in words of Greek origin.
- **3.** The letter combinations *qu* and *que* say /\_\_\_\_ / in words of French origin.
- Circle ch, ph, or que in these words. Then say the sound each consonant combination makes.

<i>ch</i> = /ch/	<i>ch</i> = /sh/	<i>ch</i> = /k/
c harter	chivalry	chorus
chapter	machine	technical
chilly	pistachio	c h a o s
marching	brochure	chemical
	chandelier	architect

ph = /f/	que = /k/
a t m o s p h e r e	antique
dolphin	unique
triumph	oblique
orphan	grotesque
s y m p h o n y	p h y s i q u e

Circle the origin.

words in which <i>ch</i> says /sh/	Greek	French
words in which <i>ch</i> says /k/	Greek	French
words in which que says /k/	Greek	French
words in which <i>ph</i> says /f/	Greek	French

# **6** Review

/k/ is spelled \_\_\_\_\_ in words of Greek origin. /sh/ is spelled \_\_\_\_ in words of French origin.

/f/ is spelled \_\_\_\_\_ in words of Greek origin.

/k/ is spelled \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_ in words of French origin.

(1) Fill in the missing letters in each group of words.

ph = /f/

techni \_\_\_ \_\_\_

dol \_\_\_ in

anti \_\_\_ \_\_\_

pam \_\_\_ let

\_\_\_ iladel \_\_\_ ia

qu = /k/

\_\_\_ otogra \_\_\_ \_

con \_\_\_\_ er

eti \_\_\_ ette

ch = /sh/

ma \_\_\_\_ ine

ch = /k/

\_\_\_\_ icago

or \_\_\_ estra

musta \_\_\_\_ e

\_\_\_ orus

\_\_\_\_ arades

an \_\_\_\_ or

\_\_\_ iffon

\_\_\_ andelier

\_\_\_\_ emical e \_\_\_\_ o

bro \_\_\_ ure

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psy \_\_\_ ology

\_\_\_ auffeur

\_\_\_ arisma

\_\_\_ rysalis

#### ch = /sh/ (French)

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an chor	anchor	
stom ach	s t o m a c h	
ech o	e c h o	
cha os	c h a o s	
chlor ine	chlorine	
char ac ter	character	
ar chi tect	architect	
tech ni cal	technical	
me chan i cal	mechanical	
psy chol o gy	psychology	
psy chi a try	psychiatry	
mel an chol y	melancholy	
chron o log i cal	chronological	
cho re og ra phy	choreography	

*ch*= /k/ (Greek)

ma chine	machine
cha grin	chagrin
mus tache	mustache
Chi ca go	Chicago
chan de lier	chandelier
chau vin ist	chauvinist
non cha lant	nonchalant
pis tach i o	pistachio

#### ph = /f/ (Greek)

dol phin	dolphin
sul phur	sulphur
Phil lip	Phillip
phar ma cy	pharmacy
pho to graph	photograph
at mos phere	atmosphere
tel e phone	telephone
phe nom e non	phenomenon
phi los o phy	philosophy
Phil a del phi a	Philadelphia
claus tro pho bi a	claustrophobia

## que or qu = /k/ (French)

o paque	o p a q u e
tech nique	technique
phy sique	p h y s i q u e
gro tesque	grotesque
con quer	conquer
pic tur esque	picturesque