

# Spelling Reasoning

ant, ent

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## Spelling Reasoning: Rule 26: ant / ent

### Spelling 1

fiy	nans
fi	nance

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 2

prez	i	dent
pres	e	dant

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 3

rel	e	vent
rell	i	vant

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 4

ecs	pec	tan	sy
ex	peck	tann	cy

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 5

in	flu	ens
inn	flew	ence

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 6

emm	er	jen	see
em	err	gen	cy

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 7

per	for	men	sis
purr	four	man	ces

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Spelling 8

conn	ses	ten	cy
con	sis	tan	see

Try out: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers and Explanations

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#### 1. finance

- *fi* not *fiy* – the ‘igh’ sound in a long word is often spelt with an ‘i’
- *nance* not *nans* (it is not the plural of *finan*)

#### 2. president

- Contains the word *preside*
- *pres* not *prez* – the ‘z’ sound in a long word is usually spelt with an ‘s’
- *i* not *e* (say the word clearly)
- *dent* not *dant* (say the word clearly)

#### 3. relevant

- *rel* not *rell* – similar to many other words: *release*, *rely* etc
- *e* not *i* (say the word clearly)
- *vant* not *vent* (say the word clearly)

#### 4. expectancy

- Contains the word *expect*
- *ex* not *exc* – similar to *expert*, *explode* etc.
- *pec* not *peck* – the ‘k’ sound in a long word is usually spelt with a ‘c’ (expect for in compound words)
- *tan* not *tann* – the same as in *expectant*
- *cy* not *sy* – link to *expectance*

#### 5. influence

- *in* not *inn* – vowel does not need protecting
- *flu* not *flew* – the ‘oo’ sound in a long word is often spelt with an ‘u’
- *ence* not *ens* (it is not the plural of *influen*)

#### 6. emergency

- Root word is *emerge*
- *em* not *emm* – same as in *emerge*
- *er* not *err* – same as in *emerge*
- *gen* not *jen* – ‘j’ sound is often spelt with a ‘g’ before the letter ‘e’, ‘i’ and ‘y’
- *cy* not *see* – very few long words end in *see*

#### 7. performances

- *per* not *purr* – vowel does not need protecting
- *for* not *four* – ‘for’ in a long word is usually spelt *for* (*four* is the number)
- *man* not *men* (say the word clearly)
- *ces* not *sis* – plural of the word *performance*

#### 8. consistency

- *con* not *conn* – vowel does not need protecting
- *sis* not *ses* (say the word clearly)
- *ten* not *tan* (say the word clearly)
- *cy* not *see* – very few long words end in *see*