Spelling Reasoning

sion, tion

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Spelling Reasoning: Rule 17: sion / tion

Spelling 1

sel	eck	tion
sell	ec	sion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 2

de	ve	sion
di	vi	tion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 3

ed	u	cay	tion
ej	you	ca	sion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 4

conn	ver	sa	sion
con	var	say	tion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 5

cun	fu	tion
con	few	sion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 6

app	ly	cay	sion
ap	li	ca	tion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 7

ex	plo	tion
ecs	plow	sion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Spelling 8

oar	gan	iy	zay	tion
or	gen	i	sa	sion

Try out: _____

Answer: _____

Answers and Explanations

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1. selection

- Root word is *select*
- *sel* not *sell*
- *ec* not *eck* ('k' sound in the middle of a long word is usually spelt 'c')
- 'shn' sound is usually spelt *tion* (Tip: <u>sh</u>oot the ti – on)

2. division

- Linked to the word *divide*
- Contains the word *vision*
- *di* not *de* (say the word clearly)
- 'zhun' sound is usually spelt *sion* (as in *vision*)

3. education

- Root word is *educate*
- *ed* not *ej* (say the word clearly)
- 'you' sound in a word is often spelt 'u'
- 'shn' sound is usually spelt *tion* (Tip: <u>sh</u>oot the ti – on)

4. conversation

- Linked to the word *converse*
- *con* not *conn* (vowel does not need protecting)
- *ver* not *var* (say the word clearly)
- 'ay' sound before a 'shn' ending is often spelt 'a'
- 'shn' sound is usually spelt *tion* (Tip: <u>sh</u>oot the ti – on)

5. confusion

- Root word is *confuse*
- *con* not *cun* (say the word clearly)
- 'you' sound in a word is often spelt 'u'
- 'zhun' sound is usually spelt *sion* (as in *vision*)

6. application

- Root word is *apply*
- *app* not *ap* (same as in the root word)
- *li* not *ly* (change 'y' to 'i' because there is not a vowel before the 'y' in the root word *apply*)
- 'ay' sound before a 'shn' ending is often spelt 'a'
- 'shn' sound is usually spelt *tion* (Tip: <u>sh</u>oot the ti – on)

7. explosion

- Root word is *explode*
- *ex* not *ecs* (*ex* means out)
- 'oh' sound before a 'zhun' ending is often spelt 'o'
- 'zhun' sound is usually spelt *sion* (as in *vision*)

8. organisation

- Root word is *organise*
- *or* not *oar* usually at the beginning of a word
- *gan* not *gen* (say the word clearly)
- 'igh' sound is spelt 'i' (same as in the root word *organise*)
- 'ay' sound before a 'shn' ending is often spelt 'a'
- 'shn' sound is usually spelt *tion* (Tip: <u>sh</u>oot the ti – on)