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The /k/ sound at the end of a word can be spelled four different ways: -ke, -ck, -k, and -c.

Lesson 90: Spelling with -KE, -CK, -K, and -C

-KE: In a one-syllable word, if the vowel sound is long right before the ending /k/ sound, there are two ways to spell /k/. The first is -ke, the silent e rule. Prove and read the following words. The first word has been done for you.

spōkē strike brake fluke Duke

-CK: In a one-syllable word, if the vowel sound is short and no other consonant is heard, the ending /k/ spelling is -ck (back.) Prove and read the following words. The first word has been done for you.

pīck deck slack truck lock

-K: In a one-syllable word, if the vowel sound is long or you hear a Murmur Diphthong or Special Vowel Sound right before the ending /k/ sound, the word is spelled with a -k. Prove the following words. The first word has been done for you.

pēek hawk look beak park

If the consonant l, n, or s is heard right before the /k/ ending sound, the word is spelled with a -k (milk, honk, ask). Prove and read the following words. The first word has been done for you.

sīlk bank hunk elk dusk

-C: Words that have more than one syllable and end in the sound /k/ are spelled with a -c (traffic). **Exception: attack. Prove and read the following words. The first word has been done for you.

pīcnic garlic arctic frantic lilac