

In the word **hours**, the letter **h** is silent. It means that we do not pronounce it when we are saying the word. Similarly, the letters **l**, **k**, **s** and **w** are silent in the words **could**, **well-known**, **island** and **wrong**, respectively.

Let us look at a few more words in which the letters h, l, k, w and s are silent.

Silent h	Silent l	Silent k	Silent w	Silent s
ghost	balm	knee	wrinkle	isle
vehicle	calf	knock	wrestle	island
rhythm	talk	knife	wreck	debris

Read the following sentences. Circle the words that have silent letters and underline the silent letters in them.

- Karan knocked on the door before turning the knob.
- His palms were bleeding after the wrestling match on the island.
- She rests her wrist on the paper while writing.
- I did not know how to untie the knot.
- The artist was very nervous about her debut exhibition.
- Waheeda unwrapped the wrapper with great care.
- The photographs of the earthquake debris were disturbing.
- Why don't you apply some balm if your calf is aching?



## Grammar Junction

Look at this sentence from the story.

He scored 200 runs and took **two important wickets**.

