



# Spelling Inquiry

**Spelling from using a sound to writing its letter patterns.**

**1. Tuning In** Use your writing to hunt for words you found challenging or those which you misspelled. Make a list of 10 words. Identify which sound within each word you found the most challenging. Choose the sound that occurs the most in your list to complete a Spelling Inquiry.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

Sound: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Finding Out** Use Brainstorm and list other words you know that have this sound.

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**3. Sorting Out** Now revise and edit the words listed above in your brainstorm to make sure they are spelt correctly. Then underline the letters (*letter pattern*) that make the sound in each word.

**4. Going Further** Group the words according to the letters that make this sound by writing each word under the group heading (the *letter pattern* that represent the sound).

**5. Drawing Conclusions**  
 What do you notice about the letter/s (*letter pattern*) that make up this sound?

**6. Taking Action**  
 Where can you apply what you have learned in your writing?