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Chapter 7: Nona and the Rain

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Objectives: By the end of this topic, students will be able to understand what is a silent letter and rules for different silent letters.

What is a Silent Letter?

A silent letter is a letter that is usually not pronounced in a word.

Rules for silent H:

Rule #1: The letter H is usually silent when it appears after W.

E.g. Why, what, when, where

Rule #2: Sometimes the letter H is not silent after W,

E.g. Whose, who, whoever, whole

Rule #3: H is silent at the beginning of some words.

E.g. hour, honest, heir

(remember to use the article "an" with silent H)

Rule #4: Most of the words beginning with H are not silent.

E.g. History, hair, happy

(remember to use the article "a" with voiced H)

Rules for silent W:

Rule #1: The letter W is not pronounced at the beginning of a word when it is before the letter R.

E.g. Write, wrong, wrap

Rule #2: W is silent in the following words like

E.g. who, whose, whole, whom, whoever, answer, sword, two.

Rule for silent K:

Rule #: The letter K is always silent when it precedes the letter N in a word.

E.g. know, knock, knife, knight, knowledge.

Rule for silent S:

Rule #: The letter S is not pronounced before L in the following words

E.g. Aisle, island, isle

Q1. Read these sentences and underline the silent letters.

- a) The honest driver returned the bag filled with money to the passenger.
- b) I knew the answer to all the questions the teacher asked.
- c) Sarita asked whether we are going to eat the whole pizza by ourselves.
- d) Are you scared of ghosts?
- e) Akshay was wearing a new wristwatch.
- f) The wrestling match went on for two hours.
- g) The old woman wrapped the shawl around herself.
- h) The cuckoo's sound echoed in the valley.