Homophones: -ce/-cy nouns and -se/-sy

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Verbs

This week, we are going to look at some of the most commonly misused words in the English language.

Doctors

Practise

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What is incorrect here?

Why?

The sign should read 'Doctors' **Practice**'. **Practice** is a noun and **practise** is a verb.

Working on your whiteboards, could you and your partner use practise accurately in a sentence? Doctors Practice

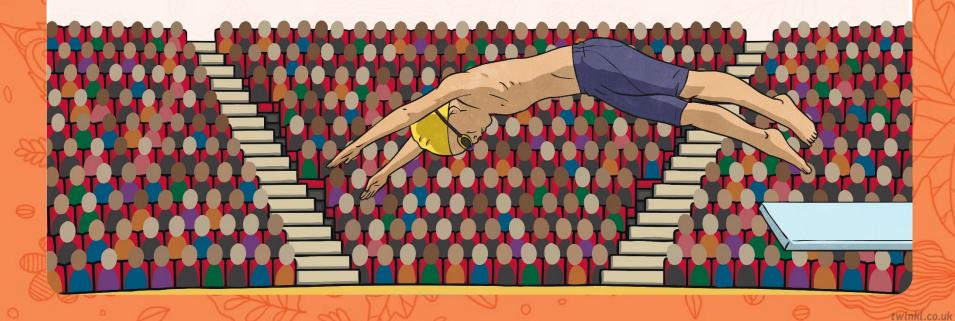
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How have you used the verb practise?

For example:

Because he wanted to be an Olympian in the future, Joe tried hard to <u>practise</u> his diving from the top board.

practice noun practise verb



What is incorrect here?

Why?

Dear Geena

The UK's #1 Agony Aunt

Write to our agony aunt, Geena, and she will advice you on all your problems.

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The text should read 'advise'. Advise is a verb and advice is a noun.

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Working on your whiteboards, could you and your partner use **advice** accurately in a sentence?

How have you used the noun advice?

For example:

advice

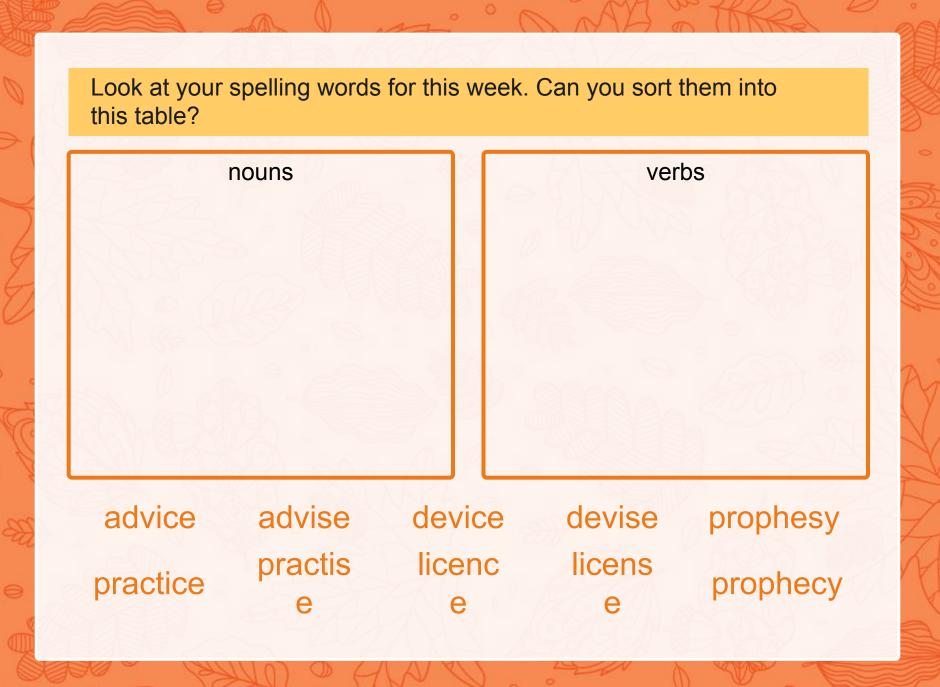
noun

The successful sportswoman gave the children **<u>advice</u>** on how to become a professional footballer when they were older.

advise

verb

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Are there any words that you are not familiar with?

Look these homophones up in a dictionary.

prophecy: (noun) a prediction or warning of future events.

For example: *Hundreds of years ago, people made a <u>prophecy</u> that machines would one day fly.*

prophesy: (verb) to make a prediction or warning of future events.

For example: To prophesy means to prophesise about something happening.



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