

## Mastering Tricky Spellings with Pip the Bookworm

*Learning objective: To identify and correct common spelling errors, including homophones and words containing the 'ie'/'ei' rule.*

Read the passage below carefully. Pip the Bookworm has accidentally swapped some tricky words while writing his journal. Use your knowledge of spelling rules to identify the errors and answer the questions below.

Pip the Bookworm was feeling very proud of his library. He had spent all morning organising his shelves. 'I truly beleive,' he whispered, 'that a well-organised room helps you recieve new information much faster.' He walked to his desk to find his favourite pen. He had run out of paper, so he walked to the shop to buy some new stationary. On his way, he passed the old town cemetary, which was filled with beautiful, ancient trees. Pip felt a prickle of his own consience; he realised he had forgotten to feed the birds! He knew he must accomodate their needs before he could finish his own tasks.

*Word bank: believe · receive · stationary · stationery · cemetery · accommodate · conscience*

**1. Identify the two spelling errors in the first paragraph and write the correct spellings. (2 marks)**

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**2. Pip confuses 'stationary' and 'stationery'. Explain the difference between these two homophones in your own words. (2 marks)**

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**3. Look at the word 'cemetery'. Why is this a tricky word to spell? Identify the vowel pattern that makes it difficult. (2 marks)**

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**4. Correct the spelling of 'accomodate' as it appears in the text and explain the rule for double letters in this word. (2 marks)**

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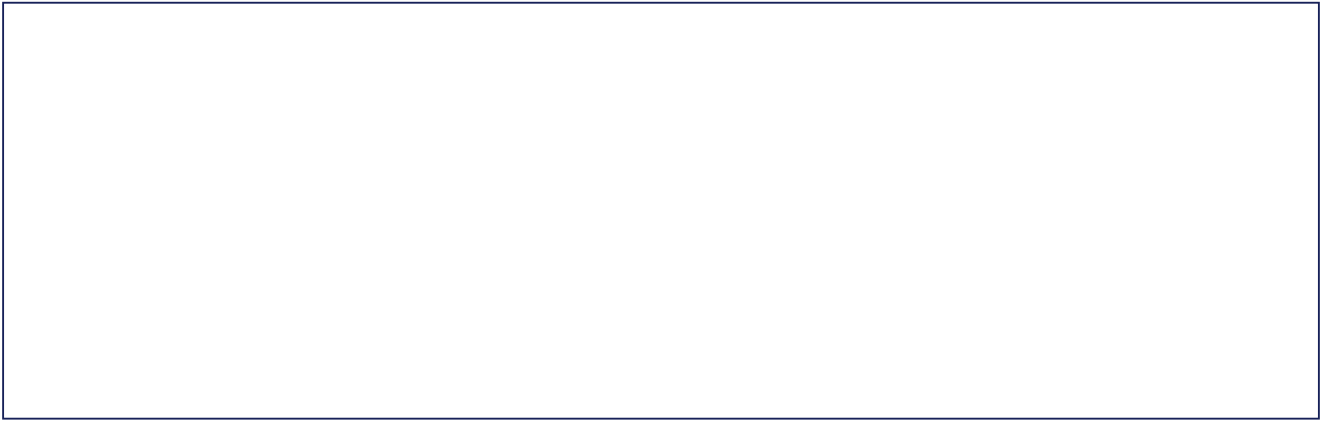
**5. Use the word 'conscience' in a new sentence that demonstrates you understand its meaning. (2 marks)**

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**Draw:** Draw a picture of Pip the Bookworm sitting in his library, surrounded by towers of books and a sign that says 'Quiet Please'.



*Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) about a time you had to make a difficult choice, ensuring you use the word 'conscience' and at least two other words from the word bank correctly.*