

**Silent letters in Financial English**

*One word on each line of the list below is spelt as it is pronounced and so has a silent letter missing. Write the correct spelling of that word next to each line below.*

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*Mark the silent letters on the words of the list below.*

- ascend to an all-time high
- average salary
- building society/ savings and loan
- business meeting
- profits are climbing
- corporate restructuring
- government debt
- debtors and creditors
- financial discipline
- foreign exchange
- guaranteed income
- precious heirloom
- hourly rate
- interest rates
- leveraged buyout
- monetary union
- mortgage payments
- keep the receipt
- sign a contract
- succumb to market forces
- underwhelming performance
- white knight investor
- wholesale trade
- wholly tax-deductible

*Check on the first page above, then practise saying them the right way.*

*Test each other on the above below:*

- Say a word with or without the silent letter pronounced and see if your partner can say if it is pronounced correctly or not
- Say a word with the silent letter pronounced and see if your partner can correct you
- Spell a word and see if your partner can say how to pronounce it and/ or which letter is silent
- Say a word (with the correct pronunciation) and see if your partner can spell it