

*ie and ei***16a.** Write *ie* when the sound is long *e*, except after *c*.**EXAMPLES** belief, fierce, receipt**EXCEPTIONS** either, neither, leisure**16b.** Write *ei* when the sound is not long *e*, especially when the sound is long *a*.**EXAMPLES** neighbor, forfeit, weight**EXCEPTIONS** ancient, conscience, friend**EXERCISE A** Cross out the misspelled word in each sentence below. Then, above the crossed-out word, write the word correctly.**Example 1.** All the streets in this ~~neighborhood~~^{neighborhood} are named after U.S. presidents.

- The nurse applied an elastic bandage to relieve the pressure on the knee.
- A viel of secrecy surrounded the plans for the ice carnival.
- Some people practice deciet because they don't have much self-confidence.
- The United States has spent about three billion dollars on foriegn aid this year.
- A small peice of rock fell to the ground.
- Sitting Bull was a Sioux cheif who united his people in a struggle for survival.
- Feild mice eat grain, so farmers consider them pests.
- Neither LaToya nor Shanique could find the reciept.
- Each teacher nominated a student for the Outstanding Acheivement award.
- The truck driver skillfully backed his rig into the recieving dock.

EXERCISE B The following paragraphs contain words with missing letters. Add the letters *ie* or *ei* to complete each word correctly.**Example [1]** How much does a cutter w ei gh?

A cutter is a type of horse-drawn [11] sl____ gh. In the 1800s in America, the cutter was an [12] effi____ nt means of travel across [13] f____ lds and roads in snowy weather. The cutter is [14] lightw____ ght and open in design, usually seating two people. Some cutters feature a second, removable seat for two additional [15] fr____ nds or family members.

Once travel by automobile was [16] ach____ ved, cutters gradually became less common. Today some people [17] bel____ ve cutters to be a fun alternative to the automobile. Some owners use [18] th____ r cutters to give old-fashioned cutter rides. They [19] rec____ ve additional income by selling tickets for rides in the cutter. You can probably imagine a cutter with bells jingling on the horse's [20] r____ ns during winter festivities.