

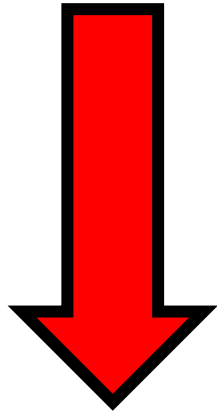
Noun or Verb?

‘**C**’ or ‘**S**’?

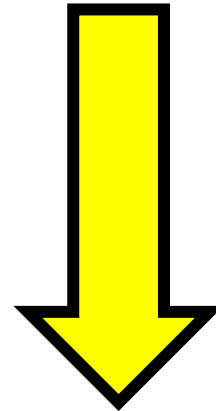
Some words can sound the same but need to be spelled with a ‘**c**’ or an ‘**s**’ depending on whether it is a **noun** or a **verb**.

Sometimes, we can be unsure
whether to spell a word with
a 'c' or with an 's'.

Nouns



Verbs



practice

practise

licence

license

advice

advise

prophecy

prophecy

Is it a noun?

or

Is it a verb?

A Way to Remember

The word 'noun' comes before
'verb' in the dictionary.

Likewise 'c' comes before 's' in the
dictionary.

So, the **nouns** are spelled with a **c**;
the **verbs** are spelled with an **s**.

Examples

I had to go to a football **practice** yesterday afternoon.

I had to **practise** my piano after school yesterday.

I asked my mum for some **advice** about buying the laptop.

“I **advise** you not to walk home through the park”, said my dad.

I had to get a **licence** for my new pet dog.

The owner **licensed** the use of his new invention.

The widow made a **prophecy** that a storm would come in the night.

“I **prophecy** that the lady will be cured”, said the healer.

Which Is It?

I had to (practice/practise) my guitar before my music lesson.

You must hold a (licence/license) to drive a car on the road.

The old man made a (prophecy/prophe~~sy~~)
that the sea would cause destruction.

The teacher said that she would
(advice/advise) everyone to listen.

The sick lady had to visit her
doctor's (practice/practise).

“I do not like this (advice/advise)”,
said the young man.