

LESSON XV

RULES OF SPELLING

Words ending in *e*, silent, retain the *e* before a suffix beginning with a consonant.

1	polite	politely	11	defense	defenseless
2	excite	excitement	12	rude	rudeness
3	change	changeling	13	measure	measurement
4	hire	hireling	14	disgrace	disgraceful
5	whole	wholesome	15	trouble	troublesome
6	hate	hateful	16	retire	retirement
7	fierce	fierceness	17	home	homeward
8	pale	paleness	18	move	movement
9	noise	noiseless	19	large	largely
10	amuse	amusement	20	gentle	gentleness

The following are exceptions:—

21	judge	judgment	24	whole	wholly
22	argue	argument	25	awe	awful
23	acknowledge	acknowledgment			

LESSON XVI

RULES OF SPELLING (*Continued*)

Words ending with a single *e*, silent, regularly drop the *e* before a suffix beginning with a vowel.

1	engage	engaging	5	college	collegiate
2	embrace	embracing	6	abate	abating
3	admire	admirable	7	delude	deluded
4	recite	recital	8	arise	arising