



WRITING CENTRE

AMERICAN VS. BRITISH ENGLISH

SPELLING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN AMERICAN & BRITISH ENGLISH

AMERICAN ENGLISH

- ize / - ise (- yze / yse)

analyze
accessorize
characterize
prioritize
specialize

analyse
accessorise
characterise
prioritise
specialise

- or / - our

behavior
color
favor
flavor
habor

behaviour
colour
favour
flavour
harbour

- er / - re

center
fiber
liter
meter
theater

centre
fibre
litre
metre
theatre

- e / (are or - oe)

ameba
anesthesia
diarrhea
esophagus
leukemia

amoeba
anaesthesia
diarrhoea
oesophagus
leukaemia

AMERICAN ENGLISH

BRITISH ENGLISH

- se / - ce

advice
defense
license
offense
practice

advicse
defence
licence
offence
practise

- / e, - og / - ogue

aging
acknowledgment
analog
dialog
dying (die) / dyeing (dye)

ageing
acknowledgement
analogue
dialogue
dying (die) / dyeing (dye)

- l / - ll or - ll / - l

fulfill
enroll
skill, skillful
labeled
signaling

fulfil
enrol
skill, skilful
labelled
signalling