



Differences between the Spelling of an American and British English

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Abstract: In this article it has been given information about the difference between American and English spelling rules and there were examples with the common distinctions, such as omitting the consonants and vowels in the lexis.

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Beginning in the late 16th and early 17th centuries, the British brought the English language to the Americas. There aren't many visible differences between written forms of British and American English found in textbooks and newspapers when it comes to their fundamental characteristics. The languages spoken in the Americas, particularly in the United States, and the United Kingdom have changed slightly during the previous 400 years, resulting in the dialects that are currently frequently referred to as American English and British English. Pronunciation, grammar, vocabulary (lexis), spelling, punctuation, idioms, and date and number formats are compared among the areas where the two diverge.

The spelling was accurate when you looked it up in a dictionary. The distinctions between British and American English frequently explain this.

The absence of a letter in American English is the primary spelling distinction between British and American English. For instance, while writing, the British retain the letters that explain why certain nouns have different spellings:

English writing styles differ between British and American

Letter reversals and alterations are another example of how British and American English spelling differs:

American English British English

color colour

Is it color or colour in the USA? In US English, "color" (no "u") is the correct spelling. In UK English, "colour" (with a "u") is standard. This regional spelling distinction carries over to other forms of the words, including "coloring/colouring" and "colorful/colourful."

behavior behaviour

In UK English, "behaviour" (with a "u") is standard.

In US English, "behavior" (with no "u") is the correct spelling.

theater theatre

In UK English, “theatre” is standard.

In US English, “theater” is more common.

meter metre

“Metre” is the British spelling of the unit of length equal to 100 cm, and “meter” is the American spelling of the same unit.

A “meter” in British English is an instrument for measuring.

organize organise

They are the same word, spelled differently. There are a lot of words spelled ending with -ize in the US and (usually) -ise in the UK.

traveled travelled

“Traveled” and “travelled” mean the same thing and neither is strictly speaking “correct” or “incorrect. The correct American English spelling is “traveled,” while the correct British English spelling is “travelled.” So it's not a battle of travelled and traveled but rather a question of who will be reading your email.

Vocabulary

American English British English

apartment. flat

college university

theater theatre

vacation holiday

chips. crisps

the movies. the cinema

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