

The *sh* sound

The sound which is most often spelt *sh* can also be spelt: **ci ti si ssi ch**
Many everyday words contain one of these spelling patterns, so they are worth sorting out.

A Pick out the spelling pattern

*Underline all the words in this piece which contain a **sh** sound.*

Politicians claim that there is a special relationship between Britain and the United States which is essential to the U.K.'s position in the world. Officials in both countries often have confidential talks before taking action on certain issues. There is some tension about this among members of the European Commission who think that the U.S.'s obsession with power is a potential danger to international co-operation.

Group the words you have underlined according to the spelling pattern they contain.

Add another word to each group which contains the same spelling and sound.

B Hear the difference

*All these words contain **ch**. Underline the words which contain **ch** as in *machine*.*

chef	cheese	chocolate	creche	chips	march
church	champagne	moustache	teacher	Michelle	
much	chicken	Chanel No. 5	channel	chauffeur	
cheque	chic	arch	brochure	quiche	Charles

Which language do many of the words you have underlined come from?

- WRITING** 1. Write a piece giving your views on the N.H.S., using some of the words from the box.

prescription	depression	physician	National
optician	artificial	prevention	patient
operation	partial	efficient	permission

2. Write a love story with one of these titles:

A Passionate Affair	Possession	Charlotte in Russia
The Fruits of Passion	Delicious Passion	