

Pronunciation of S

AT THE END OF WORDS



**CLICK
HERE**

/s/

VOICELESS

P	sleeps
K	books
T	hats
F	cliffs
GH	laughs
PH	graphs

There are 3 ways of pronouncing S at the end of a word in English. The pronunciation of words ending in S depends on the final consonant sound.

- Sibilant Sound -
= a hissing or buzzing sound.

- Voiceless Sound -
= the vocal cords do not vibrate.

- Voiced Sound -
= uses the vocal cords and they produce a vibration or humming sound in the throat.

/ɪz/

SIBILANT

C	races
S	buses
X	boxes
Z	prizes
SS	kisses
CH	watches
SH	dishes
GE	changes

/ɪz/ Sometimes written as /əz/

/z/

VOICED

B	crabs
D	words
G	bags
L	falls
M	dreams
N	fans
NG	sings
R	wears
V	gloves

Words that end in a vowel sound use the /z/ pronunciation for S.
e.g. -- plays -- sees -- tries -- follows -- continues