

-cious or -tious?

The **shus** sound is often found in adjectives and can be spelt in two different ways: **cious** or **tious**. For example:

- delicious, precious, suspicious
- fictitious, infectious, nutritious



cious as in 'a *delicious* dessert'



tious as in 'an *infectious* illness'

Sometimes a root word will give you a clue which spelling to choose, for example:

Words ending in **tion** change to **tious**: ambition > ambitious

Words ending in **ce** change to **cious**: grace > gracious

LC: Can I spell words with the suffix -cious or -tious?

Go through your reading books and locate any words that use the -cious or -tious suffix. Can you write a list of both. After each word write it's root word too.

-tious words = ambitious, root word ambition
-cious = spacious, root word space

Today's task - Allsorts!

Words that sound like shus ending in cious or tious ending

Not many common words end like this. If the root word ends in -ce, the /j/ sound is usually spelt as c – e.g. vice – vicious, grace – gracious, space – spacious, malice – malicious.

Exception: anxious.

conscious, precious, suspicious, delicious, vicious, spacious, gracious, ferocious, malicious, tenacious, ambitious, cautious, infectious, nutritious, pretentious, fictitious, superstitious, fractious, jinxious

Complete the tasks on the sheets today!

- I was _____ of the time – I was running late.
- You have to be _____ when using tools.
- There was an _____ disease spreading through the valley.
- He was acting in a _____ manner towards others.
- This room is very _____; I could fit 3 sofas in it!
- The story he told me was _____, as it was all made up.
- The detective was _____ of the criminal.
- That cake is very _____ but not very _____.
- My necklace is _____, so I keep it in a box.
- That dog is a _____ beast!
- You have to be _____, if you want to succeed in life!
- The young boy was very _____ about the race.

Find the spellings in the wordsearch below!

Q G Y Y S J S Z E L K Q I A S C P T S T R G S S S
F K H T C A Z U L Z T U I O O Q J C P Z R K K U E
S K L O F B E I O G I R P N K T A J A A D C F O H
S U P E R S T I T I O U S R L L X G C N L K N I L
O P O Q M O M L X E C C H K E B Z I I M G M T X C
V R U I O B O R J I I O T G L C O D O S S I T N F
G Y N F C N M A U O V L R Q N U I E U E N V S A L
N X O E S I Q O U Q Y S O E S R Z O S Y K P D B X
Y T J S Q U V S T N U X B K F C A S U T C V Y L C
W X O E Z W S U H O F S C D N R S F U S C O Q Z H
P W O B I X W P I C H V Y P U X W L P W N C W O C
K A A I M W P T I J D X Q Y T S K F S Z A O K A M
O N M A N D I P E C Z F A F R U C J M G R V V F X
U C J G W B Y U H W I N L J I O V I E X H J G H R
S U B H M D W D G A O O M N T I Q H S W Q N N F R
R S W A H G X T I E J Z U E I C L B J Q D Z W T K
S K B W I S B L J X W X F S O I S U O I T U A C Q
H L S E U R X D G L G D L V U L U T Z A V Y S Z S
L B V Y O P Z N D F C L Z G S A O O F X C V B X S
H Y P T Z S B I O C N A M Q E M F R A C T I O U S
Q I M Z L G U B P A F Y Q W R L O C K N V H E L T
N S K G D S B Q G Q N U I B Q O W E J K Q O N F V
S U O I C I L E D G Q O Y X I A F I P V Z I Q V A
R S L V J K H V D B Q E G M J F M W E B K B W I X
Z A H Y I X F P L Q W F T M N D X P S G T W W C C

AMBITIOUS
ANXIOUS
CAUTIOUS
CONSCIOUS
DELICIOUS
FEROCIOUS
FRACTIOUS
GRACIOUS
MALICIOUS
NUTRITIOUS
PRECIOUS
SPACIOUS
SUPERSTITIOUS
SUSPICIOUS
VICIOUS

Super SPAG challenge:

- Write a sentence using a 'tious' word and a colon.
- Write a sentence with a relative clause including a 'cious' word.
- Write a sentence using speech that includes 2 words from today's spelling bank

Write a paragraph using as many cious and tious words as you can! Try and make it as silly as possible!