Spelling list: The long /oo/ sound

The spelling pattern *oo* is used to represent two slightly different sounds in English: the long /oo/ sound like in the word *soon* and the short /oo/ sound like in the word *soot*.

The examples in this list are all words that contain a long /oo/ sound. Click on the speaker icon before each word to hear how to say it or try the *Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check* spelling activity to learn how to pronounce the long /oo/ sound in these words yourself. Avoid confusion with the short /oo/ sound by paying attention to the context of the word.

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food	Fish is a healthy food .
mood	I could see from his smile that he was in a good mood .
roof	The mosque has a dome on the roof .
proof	I have absolute proof that he did it.
cool	It was a spring morning and the air was cool .
tool	Please pass me my tool box.
boom	The big drum made a loud boom .
gloom	He peered into the gloom .
spoon	The spoon was silver.
soon	She will arrive soon .
scoop	Would you like a scoop of ice cream?
hoot	I heard the hoot of an owl.
moor	They had a lovely walk on the moor .
poor	The film received poor reviews.