## Spelling list: ie and ei words: rulebreakers

This list has some of the words that break the rule *i* before *e* except after *c* but only when the sound is *e*.

ancient	Greece has many ancient ruins.
efficient	He was an <b>efficient</b> worker.
sufficient	Do you have <b>sufficient</b> money for a bus ride home?
conscience	My <b>conscience</b> is completely clear.
protein	A balanced diet should contain <b>protein</b> .
seize	Did you see him <b>seize</b> my purse?
weird	I heard a very <b>weird</b> noise in the night.
foreign	We love <b>foreign</b> travel.
sovereign	A reigning king or queen is a <b>sovereign</b> .
forfeit	He will forfeit his chance of promotion.
counterfeit	They found <b>counterfeit</b> money at his home.
height	He was at the <b>height</b> of his popularity.
either	You can have <b>either</b> of these two cakes.
neither	Neither of my friends could come out to play.
leisure	I enjoy a balance of work and leisure time.
science	David hopes to excel in his <b>science</b> exam.