Spelling list: er and ear words

These words use the letters *er* or *ear* to spell the sound /er/. This list includes words where the letters *er* or *ear* spell the /er/ sound. You'll find examples like *fern*, *serve*, *learn*, and *yearn* that showcase the different ways this sound appears in English words. As you go through each term, take note of how *er* and *ear* create the same sound in different contexts. Try playing a spelling game to reinforce your knowledge and boost your confidence. Practising with these words will sharpen your spelling and help you recognise patterns in similar words!

fern A **fern** is a type of plant.

herb Parsley is my favourite **herb** .

serve The waiter came to **serve** our drinks.

nerve It takes a lot of **nerve** to swim with sharks.

swerve I saw the car **swerve** to miss the bike.

term I am hoping to improve my spelling this **term**.

verse We wrote one **verse** of the poem each.

earn How much do you **earn** per hour?

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yearn I **yearn** for a holiday.

earl An **earl** is British nobleman.

pearl Her ring was a large **pearl** set in silver.

early Tom came home **early** today.

search The police had a warrant to **search** the house.